

Verde Valley Fair Association
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes March 19, 2024

5:30 p.m. - Regular meeting

In attendance: President Beth Canedy, Vice President Steve Drake, Treasurer Lewis Rice, Secretary Ginny Rench, and Director Coleen Gilboay in addition, public Brian Bolton, Steve Rench, Jessica Bolton, Dan Sullivan, Joe Bleak, Paul Groseta, Gretchen Groseta, Kim Demoney.

Absent: Board member Joel Rosenberg

- I. **Call to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by President Canedy
- II. **Call to Public:**
- III. **Consent agenda** – Mr. Drake moved to approve the Minutes from February 20, 2024. Mrs. Rench 2nd the motion. No discussion – all in favor
- IV. **Chairman’s Report** - *Lunch on the law was way more productive than last year, * MRI is a revenue stream for the fair and if they are shut down, we will need to replace that income, * Reminder to all members, volunteers that if people get upset, please slow down, use patience and support the fair. We are all here to have fun – also encourage others to read the rulebook.
- V. **Administration Report** - *Son Wedding this weekend will be out for 2 days. * Received notice of Jury Duty in April.
- VI. **Financials** - * CD coming due – we will roll it over for 6 months. We have not recognized the interest income on our Edward Jones account, will work with accountant on how to recognize the income. Mrs. Rench moved to accept the Financials as presented. Mr. Drake 2nd the motion – all in favor.
- VII. **Committee Report** –
 - A) **Livestock:** * The March meeting is after this meeting, we need to add Dairy Cattle to the schedule .
 - B) **Arena Report:** *Youth Rodeo is April 27th
 - C) **Rentals** –
 - D) **2024 Fair** – Time for FAIR, awards sponsorship is slow this year.
- VIII **Old Business**
 - A) **APS Underground lines** * APS has dropped the lines, we just have to tie over to the new panel – scheduled for the next 10 days.
 - B) **Security Cameras** – The cameras are here and they are installing the cameras
 - C) **Rim Country Bow Hunter Rental of Show Barn** – a demonstration was held in the show barn to show how the 2 new curtains are working – arrows went through the curtain but the dance floor stopped the arrows. Discussion included the dance floor staying up to be a 2nd line of defense. Bow Hunter members will be encouraged to volunteer at the fair. Rent currently is \$25 per event, due to the increase in costs such as utilities and improvements made in the barn we will raise their rent to \$30 a time. Any damage that is done will need to be taken care of by the Rim Country Bow Hunters at their expense and with Vendors, not just the club taking care of the damage. Any damage to the duct work will need to be corrected by a licensed contractor.
 - D) **VACTE Trailer**- discussion on the prior letter, and prior board can not commit future boards to agreements. Executive board would rather work with the kids to get projects accomplished then charge them rent for the storage of the trailer. The Board would like 10 kids for the 5 days of fair to help with trash and maintenance during fair. If VACTE can not get the volunteer then we will assess them \$500 in rent for the storage of the trailer, either way VACTE will need to provide proof of insurance.
 - E) **Rim Country Bow Hunter Trailer** – the trailers will need to be moved out during fair or placed in a position that is not in the way. As long as RCBH volunteer and have insurance we will continue to allow the storage of the trailers.

- F) **Yuma Bleachers** – Mr. Shill will honor the \$2,000 hauling fee to get the bleachers up here. Mr. Drake and Mr. Rosenberg are going to go down after the Yuma fair and flat pack the bleachers to then have Mr. Shill haul them up.
- G) **Water Storage** – After fair we will address this option
- H) **Lunch on the Lawn at State Capital** – This was by far the best one we have done, a lot of our legislators know about the Governor striking the fair funding and are working to get that money back to the fairs.
- I) **Carnival Contract – FINAL** – The Browns have signed the contract with all the changes. Mr. Drake moves to accept the carnival contract. Mr. Rice 2nd the motion. All in favor.

IX New Business

- A) **2024 Photographer RFP** – Mr. Drake recused himself from the room prior to discussion. We put out an RFP for the 2024 Photographer for the fair. There was only one response which was Mr. Drake. Mr. Rice moved to accept the photo bid for the 2024 fair photographer. Mrs. Rench 2nd the motion. All in favor. Mr. Drake came back into the room
- B) **Meals during the 2024 Fair** – The sign up list was sent around the room for board members to sign up to provide a meal during the fair for livestock committee, their immediate family, the executive board and their immediate family and office staff. The list is to be sent to all clubs as well to sign up.

X. Future Agenda Items- Solar, Single wide – improvements vs replace, large water supply with a boost pump

XI. Executive Session – None

XII. Adjournment – 6:16 pm Mrs Rench made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Rice seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor.