

**Verde Valley Fair Association**  
**Board of Directors**  
**Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2024**  
5:30 p.m. - Regular meeting

In attendance: President Beth Canedy, Treasurer Lewis Rice, Secretary Ginny Rench, Board member Joel Rosenberg and Director Coleen Gilboy in addition, public Dan Sullivan, Brian Bolton, Robert Meier, Cristin Combs and Steve Rench.

Absent: , Vice President Steve Drake

- I. **Call to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by President Canedy
- II. **Call to Public:** None
- III. **Consent agenda** – Mrs. Rench made the Motion to approve the Minutes from October 15, 2024 Regular meeting Mr. Rosenberg 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. No discussion – all in favor
- IV. **Chairman's Report** - \*All below
- V. **Administration Report** - \* Did a 2 hour class with a Foundation company, 1 year is \$6,000 and 5 years is \$15,000 – will keep the information and look in the future \* meeting with kids and parents for pigville, they have to interview.
- VI. **Financials** - \* Review of the October Financials was done, we had received the Governors Fund last month and put it into CD's. We received notification that one quarter of our ERC Credit was denied, we are appealing this decision. We received a \$5,000 donation for the fair. Mr. Rosenberg moved to accept the financials as presented. Mrs. Rench 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor.
- VII. **Committee Report** –
  - A) **Livestock:** \* Tabled discussion on Fair Dedication until the January meeting. Steer tag in is done and it went amazing. Jr. livestock committee had interviews last week and the 3 gentlemen that applied are now seated and excited for the new opportunities at fair, they will assist the livestock committee and will have tasks to be responsible for.
  - B) **Arena Report:** CVGA is coming back after being gone for a few years – so excited to have more events at our arena..
  - C) **Rentals** – Rally is coming in – looking like Thunder Valley Rally is not happening in 2025
  - D) **Fall Festival** – We had low attendance but was a GREAT event. People were very happy and had fun. Adding the Goat show was good for both the goat show and the festival.
- VIII **Old Business**
  - A) **Showbarn Buyer Signs**- Mrs. Combs contacted the Prescott printer Mr. Drake referred – they have amazing prices and we are working through options.
  - B) **New Showbarn** – Mrs. Gilboy has a zoom meeting with ASU to look over the opportunity to do a Master plan.
  - C) **Jr. Livestock Committee** – Seated and ready to get to work .
  - D) **Security Cameras over the bars and in the office**–We tabled until January
- IX **New Business**
  - A) **.5 K** – We are putting together a new event that will start in October 2025 it is a .5 K that all of us can do - There will be food, music, craft beers and prizes.
  - B) **Staff Salary and Christmas Bonus** – Will be discussed in Executive Session – Out of executive at 6:50 pm – Mr. Rice moved to accept the discussed structure. Mrs. Rench 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion carried.
  - C) **Donor Packet/Program** – It was suggested to put the donation requests on our website, the items we need. Other ideas would be to do bricks around the grounds with donor names, and last suggestion was the U of A Ag Program

- D) **AFA in Phoenix** – While the IAFE meeting is going on, it is also our annual meeting time. Mrs. Combs will be here to take minutes and keep the election moving while Mrs. Gilboy is at the Conference.
- E) **Lunch on the Law** – The annual event at the State Capital will be on February 5, 2025 – a month earlier than in prior years, thus allowing all fairs to attend (in March it overlaps with some fair dates). We want to invite the legislators to our fair.
- F) **Green House** – MUHS has a green house they want to put us but are running into constraints at the school. Logistics would need to be addressed that include being available for students at all times, what happens when we have events in progress. Also who bought the green house, what utilities does it need. More information is needed

**XI. Executive Session** – Went into Executive meeting at 6:40pm, Mr. Rice Moved to go into Executive Session, Mrs. Rench 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in Favor

**X. Future Agenda Items-** Solor, Donor Packet, Donor Bricks, Donor Program, VV Wine Consortium do they want a new event, Donations on Website

**XII. Adjournment** – 6:52 pm Mr. Rosenberg moved to adjourn the meeting and Mrs. Rench seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor.