

**Verde Valley Fair Association
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes May 12, 2015**

5:00 p.m. - Regular meeting

In attendance: President Jerry Brown, Secretary Beth Canedy, Treasurer Nate Jackson and Boardmember Frank Vicerino in addition Director Coleen Gilboy, public: Shelly Zale, Sheila Brown, Ann Smith, Kim Demoney, Jennifer Neiderer, Holly Shanahan, Kayla Niederer

Absent: Vice President Sonny Zale,

Meeting was called to order at 5:01 pm

Call to Membership – None

Consent agenda - Approval of minutes from Regular meeting on 4.14.15 : Mr Jackson moved to approve the minutes from April 14, 2015. Ms. Canedy seconded and all voted in favor.

Chairman's Report - none at this time

Administration Report – 1)Time to start working on the 2015/16 Budget, committees have been asked to submit requests, 2) Time for Director Gilboy annual review, 3) Employee changes

Committee Report – Livestock: 1) Fair went really well – lost 4 barn hoses and 2 in the steer area. 2) The award to Grant Boyce turned out really well, 3) Auction was up \$34,000

Arena: 1) Fair event for rodeo was under budget and went smooth, 2) They are looking at opening up the Youth Rodeo to all of Yavapai County, 3) There is an amazing video on Facebook about the Rodeo, 4) for 2016 work needs to be done to track the stall rentals on Friday and Saturday, 5) looking at getting 8 loads of cinder sand for the arena

Financials – Approve for Livestock committee to thank buyers in the newspaper up to \$300. Mr. Jackson moved to accept the financial and Ms. Canedy 2nd. No more discussion. All in favor

Old Business

- a) New Barn – digging for footings will be the first thing done

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- a) Livestock 2015 Election – the ballots were collected and counted. Elected to start July 1, 2015 is Pynne Johnson, Kim Demoney, Lonnie Ferguson and Donald Rezzonico
- b) 2015 Re-Cap
 - 1) Livestock – Auction was up, kids were up and was a great event, have to work on animal check out process
 - 2) Arena – Rodeo was good, will have a training session with everyone who is going to work the booth so all have the same information
 - 3) General – More signed about specials, if there is a large fight/event; look at having that as part of our entertainment so people don't have to decide to come to fair or watch event.
- c) Security – there was an issue on Sunday – more information is needed

- d) Office Help – Director Gilboy requested help in the office year around. Livestock Chairman Zale asked if some of the livestock entry paperwork could be turned over to the office to take the work off the volunteers and then there would be a consistent person who knew how to do the database and livestock committee members could assist. More information is needed before making a decision.
- e) Intel Matching Grant – The Verde Valley Fairgrounds is now active as part of Intel matching funds. Anytime an employee volunteers over 20 hours per year the fairgrounds will receive \$10 per hour volunteered.

Possible Executive Session – None

Adjournment – 6:26 pm Ms. Canedy made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Vicerino seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor.p