

**Verde Valley Fair Association**  
**Board of Directors**  
**Meeting Minutes of January 21, 2025**  
5:30 p.m. - Regular meeting

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

Absent: None

- I. **Call to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by President Canedy
- II. **Call to Public:** None
- III. **Consent agenda** – Mr. Drake made the Motion to approve the Minutes from November 19, 2024 Regular meeting, November 19, 2024 Executive Meeting, and December 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting. Mr. Rice 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. No discussion – all in favor
- IV. **Chairman’s Report** - \*Nothing at this time
- V. **Administration Report** - \* Vacation time planned in February to MN, NV and March to WA. \* Been working on W-2s and 1099’s – W-2s have been mailed, proofing 1099’s
- VI. **Financials** -Discussion was had on the monthly reports, \* Review of the ERC that we filed in 2024, we have received one check \* Min Wage for Arizona has gone up to \$14.70 and our Unemployment rate went up to 1.17% \* Mr. Drake moved to accept the financials as presented. Mrs. Rench 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor.
- VII. **Committee Report** –
  - A) **Livestock:** \* Fair Dedication was decided. \*Processors are set for the 2025 fair, \* S’more party on April 4<sup>th</sup> – there will be games and a scavenger hunt for all exhibitors to participate in – a way to learn their way around the fairgrounds and a chance to win gate tickets.
  - B) **Arena Report:** We had 12 new memberships at the last barrel race – for members we have waived the arena fee, which pays for the membership in just over 2 races for an individual
  - C) **Rentals** –
  - D) **Fair** – Sea lions are available but they are too expensive and we would have to limit our other entertainment. Carnival would like to increase the cost on the POP or (pay one price) carnival tickets. We are looking at changes to the rodeo, maybe a VIP section.
  - E) **.5 K – Beer Fest** – October 11<sup>th</sup> – we have our beer vendors and working on the food vendors.
- VIII **Old Business**
  - A) **Showbarn Buyer Signs-** Cristin showed the mock ups for all the banners – so excited to get them here.
  - B) **Security Cameras** Will work on this in the future
  - C) **Lunch on the Lawn** – Will be February 4th.at the state capital – Ginny and Beth are looking at their calendars
  - D) **Well – Pressure Tank vs other options** – After speaking with Mr. Jackson he gave another option that would tap into the City water to back fill the water needed during fair – we would have a turn off and on lever.
- IX **New Business**
  - A) **Thank you to Mr. Rosenberg – Welcome new Boardmember.** – Everyone thanked Mr. Rosenberg for his service on the board. Mr. Bolton was welcomed up to the table
  - B) **Election of New Officers – Sign code of conducts** – Mr. Drake nominated Ms. Canedy for President, she accepted, Mr. Rice 2<sup>nd</sup>, All in favor. Ms. Canedy nominated Mr. Rice for Treasurer, Mr. Drake for Vice President and Mrs. Rench for Secretary – all accepted. Mr. Rice 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion – All in favor.

- C) **Check Signers** – All 5 board members will be signers on all accounts at the bank – this includes the CD's and Bank Accounts.
- D) **Toys for Tots** –They would like to set a conex box to store any toys left over from one year to the next. Discussion included where, how often they would need to access the conex in case of an event, if they thought of mice, security and would need insurance .
- E) **Melton and Sons** – Would like to buy water from us for their pressure washer – after a short discussion since the well is maintained by MRI and at this time we do not feel there is enough capacity to sell water at this time.
- F) **Traffic Cones** – IN the parking lot we need more dividers – instead of doing traffic cones or pallets, we will get more of the concrete barriers we always have

**XI. Executive Session** – None

**X. Future Agenda Items-** Solor, Donor Packet, Donor Bricks, Donor Program, VV Wine Consortium do they want a new event, Donations on Website, Disconnect to Gyberg, 7<sup>th</sup> Street Road/Ingress, Kids park – maintain the parking lot, Painted Cows that would be around town at different businesses

**XII. Adjournment** – 7:10 pm Mr. Drake moved to adjourn the meeting and Mrs. Rench seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor.