

**ELBERT COUNTY FAIR BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**February, 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Present:**

Will White

Ric Miller

Dan Carpenter

Garrett Miller

Christopher Carnahan

Dave Rook

Mandy Taylor

Trevor Smith

Rod Sigmon

Vicky Whitman

Kali Benson

Vice President, Will White, called meeting to order. Pledge was said.

Motion to approve agenda made by Dan Carpenter, seconded by Christopher Carnahan. Motion passed.

Motion to approve January minutes made by Vicky Whitman, seconded by Ric Miller. Motion passed.

**Fair Grounds Report:**

Shawn Carpenter was absent.

**Extension Office Report:**

Kali Benson reported that there will be approximately 400 4-H members this year. That is an increase over last year. Sheila Kelley's retirement party will be on Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 pm. There will be a blow and go show after the beef weigh-in. Beef weigh-in is this Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. There was discussion around horned cattle in the 4-H projects. The snack shack vendor is not returning. Other possibilities were discussed. 4-H Youth Council will be putting on a corn hole contest along side the horseshoe tournament.

**Old Business:**

Reviewed the attachment to the agenda for proposed changes to schedule for Friday and Saturday. The horse pull will move to the warm-up arena. They will need a large amount of parking room around the warm-up arena and more bleachers.

There was discussion around having another assistant superintendent for the beef and swine so another person would be available on the grounds if the superintendent cannot be available. It was suggested to ask Scott Maranville to assist with beef. Jeff Aleman will be contacted to see about an assistant for him.

There is a need for an open class superintendent. There is a plan to advertise that need in the paper and through e-blasts.

The fair board approval has not been on the agenda for the county commissioners as yet.

**New Business:**

The past carnival is withdrawing from the fair. There was discussion about alternatives. Mandy will try to get a phone number for a possible carnival from the Elbert area.

The petting zoo vendor is not longer available. Dan Carpenter will explore another vendor.

Other suggestions for additional entertainment included a climbing wall, more blow-ups, and a shooting gallery. Rod Sigmon will try to find a contact for the Department of Wildlife.

The next meeting is Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. Dan Carpenter moved to adjourn. Christopher Carnahan seconded the motion. Motion passed.