

Elbert County Fair Board Minutes  
October 15, 2018  
Ag Building 7PM

Meeting called to order by President Tammi Schneider. Present: Chris Carnahan, Will White, Greg Mitchell, Ric Miller, Rod Sigmon, Nancy Ramsour, Jill Duvall, Ben Duke, Trevor Smith, Garrett Miller, Tammi Schneider, Dave Rook, Vicky Whitman, Dan Carpenter

Approval of agenda and minutes from 9/17/2018.

Excused: Kristi Strachan

Staff: Kali Benson and Willie Wilkins

Guest: Sheri Trehal

-Introduction of new board member, Nancy Ramsour who shared about her background and involvement with 4H; she will be Open Class superintendent.

-Introduction of new extension agent, Willie Wilkins

-Introduction of new board member candidate, Sheri Trehal; has lived in EC for 23 years with 3 children who have been through the 4H program here. Has helped with many 4H projects in EC over the years.

Open forum for current Fair Board members to introduce themselves to Nancy Ramsour and Sheri Trehal and share specific areas each of us works with to make the fair successful.

No Fairgrounds report.

Extension/4H Report - Kali Benson thanked board for presence at Awards Night; asked for feedback. 4H Open Enrollment begins 10/16/18; encouraged board members to sign up as 4H leaders. Nov. 4 from 5-6:30PM is 4H Open House; beneficial for first year families. Ben Duke asked the extension agents to consider how to best utilize the scholarship money from the EDCLA.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Animal husbandry issues and update of rules and policies:

-various options discussed for achieving better communication for issues that come up at fair: successful exhibitor meeting this year (needs some improvement); separate species specific mandatory meetings suggested; possibility of detailed information disseminated at weigh-in; better signage on the fairgrounds; use of fair Facebook page; use of public announcement system

-shaving of pigs/lice: Kali suggested that all board members review fair book to verify that information is correct. Advocate for more education through superintendents. Suggested a handout at pig weigh-in with rules and regulations. Keep working on this at Ag 101.

-Supreme Awards: perhaps get rid of award until more accurate technology exists; tabled until November.

-exhibitors who miss sale designation: motion passed that if an exhibitor doesn't show up for their sale slot, not allowed to sell. Verbiage for fair book to be approved later.

-garden tractor pull: change of day/time/date discussed; need more bleachers; tabled until later date.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

-voted to accept Sheri Trehal to replace Roger Evans on Fair Board

Next meeting - November 19, 2018

Jill Duvall, Secretary  
Elbert County Fair Board