

MEETING – BARRON COUNTY FAIRBOARD

April 16 – 8:00 PM

Barron County Fairbrounds

Board Members	Present	Absent	Board Members	Present	Absent
Brooke Bates	X		Steve Matthys		X
Heather Colburn	X		Cory Picknell	X	
Jerry Donath	X		Scott Queiser	X	
Sarah Doyen	X		Russ Rindsig	X	
Amanda Kohnen	X		Kevin Roske	X	
Ken Kolzow	X		Jacque Schaffer	X	
Devon Laursen	X		Dwight Thurs	X	

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm by Russ Rindsig. Also present was Sara Waldron, Mylee Waldron, and Chris Fitzgerald.

Approve agenda as printed with additions. **MOTION** by Dwight; seconded by Heather to accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

MOTION made by Dwight Thurs; seconded by Devon Laursen to approve minutes of November 19, 2024 meeting. Motion passed. **MOTION** made by Dwight Thurs; seconded by Sarah Doyen approve minutes of January 29 ZOOM meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report/Pay Bills – Received grant money from the county and Rice Lake Tourism. **MOTION** made by Heather Colburn; seconded by Dwight Thurs to accept the treasurer's report and pay the bills. Motion carried. We should be getting 1099 from prize winners greater than \$600. They should receive a W9.

Appearances – Chris Fitzgerald asked if we are willing to host the Donut Dash. The board agreed and they will plan for Saturday. We will give away bikes on Thursday.

Old Business

Stock Transfer – There were no transfers.

Date for Superintendent Meeting – July 9 – 6:00 eat – 6:30 meeting.

New Business

District Meeting Recap – Ian Hill, speaker from the state convention, presented. We should be promoting our fair. We should post something five days a week on social media. Any way that we can promote the fair could make us more successful.

Manager Report- Tuesday night we will open 5:00 to 8:00 or 9:00. Carnival will set up four rides – little rides and we will have \$2 beers. A band has been hired and will be playing on the stage. Little red train is coming. We are getting a different garbage company. We will get roll-offs and we can dump into them. Horse pull on Sunday was discussed. We will have a different group that has volunteered to run the Demo Derby. Manager's choice projects are new this year. Chevy wants to bring cars and a tent but nothing is finalized. They might do a gate instead.

Groundskeeper Report – Ken plans to retire in December of 2030.

Fairest Report - Next Friday there will be a fairest committee. Current fairest will be starting early June with Aquafest. She is working on a project researching a history of the fair.

Fair Time Chapel – They are planning an extensive program for this year. There will be more programming than last year. Memorial service on Sunday morning for Gary Solum and Lester Wycoff.

Discussion Items

Next Meeting – May 14 – 8:00 pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.