

MEETING – BARRON COUNTY FAIRBOARD

July 9, 2025 – 8:00 PM

Barron County Fairgrounds

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 7:30 pm by Russ Rindsig. Also present were Sara Waldron, Isabella Lyste, Ella Briggs, Tahlia Waldron Tani Riebe, Natalie Ellefson.

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

MOTION made by Dwight Thurs; seconded by Jerry Donath to approve minutes of June meeting. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report/Pay Bills – MOTION made by Devon Laursen; seconded by Cory Picknell to accept the treasurer's report and pay the bills. Motion carried. Scott has ordered wristbands because some were on back order. There will be a training for ticket takers. Scott has worked with CCF and proposed changes in money handling. We will reduce money handling in the office. The starter money will be counted by CCF for the money for all the drawers for twice a day. We still have some openings we need to fill for ticket takers.

Appearances – Fairest of the Fair contestants, Ella Briggs, Tahlia Waldron, Tani Riebe, Natalie Ellefson, introduced themselves to the board.

Old Business

Brat Shack – This event will be September 5 and 6. Please sign up now if you are available.

Fairest Report –Isabella is working on displays. She attended Chetek Liberty Fest. She is looking forward to the fair. We will be seeing the candidates at the fair.

New Business

Fair Stock – Ruth and Craig Anderson received stock from Betty and Bynie Dodge.

Manager Report- We have been very busy. Commercial area has four spots left and there are seven contracts still out. We have new fans and new sound system set up. We are working with rodeo. Cement blocks have been put by the hog and sheep barn to restrict parking in that area. Motel rooms are rented. Food vendors and rides will start at 5:00 on Tuesday. Dairy barns have all new dirt. Ken and Kevin are requesting that they don't dig wooden post holes. We will put signs up to make it clear. Draft horse stalls have been built. We have a lot of sheep entered.

Groundskeeper Report – Wrapping things up and getting ready for the fair.

Any Other 2025 Fair Business – We have sold 700 manufactuirng tickets. Brooke is working on a project for new fair goers. She is making a video about what the kids can expect and how do you set up your animal and how do you walk in the show ring, etc. She will create a link on our Facebook. They will have horse rides – but no tractor rides on Sunday. Come in to vote for the sign contest during the fair.

Discussion Items –

Next Meeting – August 13 – 8:00 pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.