TRI- COUNTY FAIR BOARD MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 19, 2023 @7PM FAIR BOARD OFFICE

Scott called the meeting to order-

<u>Attendance</u> – Kelley Knight, Dave Miller, Courtney Berg, Eaf Parke, Darah Nelson, Katie Burden, Scott Barger, Carolyn Pasha, Travis Jones, Kacie Perkins, Sam Hobley (phone) Guests – David Wells & Kayleen Kidwell, & Commissioner Ruth Koehler

<u>Public Comment-</u>Kayleen Kidwell, Anaconda/Deer Lodge Extension agent had public comment in regards to the market committee not being a sub committee of the Fairboard.

Kelley read secretary minutes from September. Dave motioned to approve minutes as read, Courtney second- minutes were approved a read.

Kelley gave financial report- \$5,191.10

Old Business-

RMAF- Nov 8-10,2023 we have 2 board members attending as well as commissioner Ruth Koehler, along with their spouses.

Scott is still looking for a 2024 Livestock judge

Keep brainstorming for open class ideas.

Discussion was had to possibly do community booths again.

Chicken/Rabbit cages- old ones need to be organized and gone through. Cleanup at fair was discussed so the poultry kids have a better schedule with take down at fair on the last day. Courtney motioned to change quiz bowl to 9AM and small animal barn checkout to 10AM. Dave 2nd- motion passes.

Darah is working on campsite spreadsheet as well as agreement form.

New Business:

Budget was discussed- Dave motioned to table budget discussion to next meeting. Courtney second.

Scott followed up with a few fair issues, discussion was had, as a board we need to hold ourselves to a higher standard and be the best we can be.

Jay Peterson memorials – the family really enjoyed the fair and would like memorials to be sent to the fair. Board discussed to have funds go towards new rabbit/cat show tables and other projects in need, more discussion will be had at a later date.

Kelley brought to the board the idea of planting trees as memorials- discussion was had to plant one in memory of the Billquist Family as well as have plaque holders made. Zane Beck's tree needs a new plaque as well, this will be table for more discussion for the next meeting.

Kelley informed the board of her resignation. Job will be posted on county website and Facebook Page.

Courtney motioned to adjourn meeting, Katie second. Meeting adjourned. Next meeting TBD – but tentatively January 11,2024 @7PM