Butte-Silver Bow County Fair Board
Meeting minutes
Location: Butte Vigilante Saddle Club
Date: June 21, 2021
Attendees: Lisa Bracco, Kevin Goroski, Stanette Hall, Wayne Chiamulera, Dan McGee, Jason Speer, and Kellie Kahtani
Time: 6:30pm

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:38pm by Vice Chairman Kevin Goroski

II. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes were provided from the previous meeting. Kevin made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Jason seconded the motion. Motion passed.

III. Old Business

a) 2021 Fair Dates
   i) Dates are set for August 5-7, 2021

b) 2021 Fair Entertainment
   i) Rodeo club is still discussing a rodeo and will know soon
   ii) Lisa has been in contact with entertainers:
       (1) Butte Magic will perform multiple shows throughout fair for $1200
       (2) High Ore Road will play August 6th for $800
       (3) Ken Rich will play August 7th for $1600
       (4) Possible contact with Tom Russell for music as well

c) 2021 Fair Vendors
   i) Need to arrange for more generators for food vendors
   ii) Mason’s with walking tacos has offered to do a 50/50 arrangement with fair board instead of the original cost of $100 for vendors and would like to set up Thursday-Sunday. Kevin made a motion to accept Mason’s terms. Dan seconded the motion. Motion passed.
   iii) Question arose as to who was providing the liquor license and running the beer garden for fair. Board will check with Steve as to the availability of the Hitchin’ Post in Melrose.
   iv) Western States is interested in being a vendor for fair.

d) Fundraising
   i) Kevin is working on the TBDI grant application. He has examples from other organizations and will be working on the application this week. As part of the grant application, we
will need to advertise in Bozeman, Missoula, and other larger towns/cities. He will be asking for $25,000 for the grant to assist with fair and saddle club. Deadline for the grant is June 30th.

e) Forms
   i) We have been asked to provide forms/contracts for vendors. They will be available soon.

IV. Other Business

a) Montana Pole Buildings
   i) Nothing to report

b) Rodeo
   i) We will know more after the TBDI grant goes through. Saddle Club has fundraised most of the money to hire Red Eye Rodeo

c) Saddle Club
   i) Nothing to report

d) Finances
   i) No financial report presented

e) Other
   i) Lisa is contacting Matt Boyle to sign up for a parade float. Lisa will build the float and has people to ride in the parade
   ii) Advertising: Montana Standard will do a tab section for fair advertising, starting 2 weeks prior to fair dates and add the fair to their calendar of events. Radio advertisements will start in July. Fair board is asking 4-H members to participate in the recording of the radio ads.
   iii) Question was presented about signage that could be placed so people can find the rodeo grounds and fair. Dan has contacted the HWY department for permanent signs. Lisa has the signs previously used to direct people to the fair. Kevin is checking with Rocky Mountain Holdings about signs they can get us.
   iv) Lisa is sending a letter to Butte-Silver Bow asking for county support for fair in the form of security/sheriff patrol, laborers, janitorial, heavy equipment, set-up and tear down of fair, and asking for Chief Executive J.P. Gallagher to attend the next meeting.

V. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:52pm

Minutes submitted by: Kellie Kahtani