



# Clallam County Fairgrounds

## Parks, Fair & Facilities Department

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Port Angeles, WA 98363

### CLALLAM COUNTY FAIR ADVISORY BOARD

#### Minutes of March 6, 2024 Regular Meeting – In Person and Via Zoom

| Name              | J | F | M | A | M | J | J | A | S | O | N | D | Position                                |
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| Bekkevar, Megan   | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | <i>Secretary, At-Large</i>              |
| Mowbray, Julie    | X | X | - |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | Large Animals and FFA                   |
| Beckstrom, Teresa | X | X | - |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | Agriculture At-Large                    |
| Kelly, Cindy      | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | Grange                                  |
| Cristion, Cara    | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | Horse Groups                            |
| <i>Vacant</i>     | - | - | - |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | At-Large                                |
| Mady, Mindy       | - | - | - |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | Home Arts/Hobbies & Crafts              |
| Johnson, Carol    | X | - | X |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | Port Angeles Chamber                    |
| Borte, Josh       | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | <i>President, City of Port Angeles</i>  |
| Cozzolino, Tina   | X | - | - |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | Garden Clubs                            |
| West, Tara        | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | Small Animals                           |
| McCarty, Dan      | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | Sequim/Dungeness                        |
| Greer, Melanie    | X | - | X |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | <i>Vice President, Arts/Photography</i> |
| Wilson, LaDona    | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | 4-H Homemakers                          |
| Winn, George      | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | West End                                |

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| <b>Guests Present</b>                                 | Laurie Davies, Sylvia Strohm, Marsha Robbins                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Staff Present</b>                                  | Shari Ioffrida, Angie Bronson, Don Crawford                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Call to Order</b>                                  | The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Josh Borte.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Quorum</b>                                         | Yes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Request for Modification / Approval of Minutes</b> | Cindy Kelly moved to accept the minutes as presented. George Winn seconded. Unanimously approved in vote.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Public Comment on Agenda Items</b>                 | Sylvia Strohm read the letter listed in Information Booth below.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Committee Reports</b>                              | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Advertising:</b> Shari said our engagement on Facebook since posting the 2024 logo has risen dramatically. We have 10 free advertising spots from KONP for attending the Home Show. Laurie and Shari met about other advertising opportunities. Shari said to let her know if anyone else wants to meet about advertising possibilities. We can have a committee meeting.</li> <li><b>Information Booth:</b> Letter from Sylvia Strohm: "To those that don't know me, I'm Sylvia Strohm. I was a vendor for 19 years,</li> </ol> |

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|                                         | <p>was assistant manager for 3 ½ years, volunteered in Home Arts several years. I have been in charge of the info booth since 2009. I volunteer to do this, my compensation is 2 passes and 2 parking passes, which I thank you for. All other costs come out of my pocket, I even have my own starting cash for sales as I could never get my till when I came to open booth up. I turn what sales I have into Shari each evening. The booth has been a cash or check only and we write down the sales we do on paper. So now I'm being informed that I have to use a register, have someone come and get a printout of sales and then have to balance my till after with whomever is in the money room, but have to wait until no one is in there? I have no problem turning in money, but I want to leave when I'm done and not have to wait. Also because of my shaking and if I have to use the register I will be using one key to type in amount. So, if that is not what the County will accept, I will hand in my resignation."</p> <p>3. <b><u>Pacific Northwest Junior Livestock Auction:</u></b> Cara Cristion said they had the parent meetings in February, we have lots of new kids signed up. We have steer weigh in on March 17.</p> <p>4. <b><u>4-H / WSU Extension:</u></b> Melanie Greer said the Sidekicks 4-H club will be at the KONP Home Show doing a sock fundraiser. Enrollment is going up, the dog groups have not yet signed up because they don't start meeting until March, so those should be enrolling soon. Currently there are around 120 enrolled and about 100 of them are animal kids so far. There is Sequim lady who has been approved to start a Fiber Arts 4-H club for anyone interested. Melanie and a friend/colleague came up with cardboard animals' program for 4-H. It is in a pilot program at the moment but is great for kids who cannot actually own an animal. State Fair 4-H has a new director and they are requiring 4-H kids to use Fair Entry if they are eligible to go to State Fair. Good internet is a requirement for this so 4-H kids are able to attend State Fair. 4-H Breakfast is March 23 at Home Arts building, it is \$15 per breakfast. They are looking for volunteers. Dan talked on March 25/26 WSU and Dept. of Ag will be doing a demonstration at the Sequim HS showing the new Meat Processing Truck. Space is limited and is \$25 to attend, so if you are interested sign up soon.</p> <p>5. <b><u>Royalty:</u></b> Laurie Davies spoke they are attending the Sequim Irrigation Festival pageant and the Rhododendron Festival pageant. This weekend they will be greeters at the KONP Home Show from 9-11am. They will be helping out with the Eagles Easter Egg hunt again this year.</p> |
| <p><b>Special Committee Reports</b></p> | <p>1. <b><u>Rodeo:</u></b> George Winn spoke that we have the Stock Contractor contract signed and we are waiting on the NPRA form to be signed and submitted. The Rodeo Association currently has \$30,000 in sponsorships. The priority right now is the NPRA form.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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| <b>Unfinished Business</b>                 | 1. <b><u>WSDA Super School</u></b> : Washington State Fair Super School is Saturday, March 16, in Elma, it is \$25/person to attend. Cindy, Laurie & Shari are going.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>New Business</b>                        | None.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Staff Reports</b>                       | <p>Manager's Report: Shari Ioffrida</p> <p><b><u>Sponsorship</u></b>: Shari reported that we received sponsorship money from Sunny Farms.</p> <p><b><u>WSDA Annual Report</u></b>: Shari said the WSDA Annual Report has been submitted. We should hear about the dollar amount for the Fair Fund in April or May.</p> <p><b><u>KONP Home &amp; Lifestyle Show</u></b>: Shari noted that Laurie is "manning" the Fair Booth with her at the KONP Home &amp; Lifestyle Show which will be held on March 9 and 10 at the PA High School. We have spaces 56 and 57 in the east gym. We received "free" ads that have been airing on the radio stations for a few weeks now.</p> <p><b><u>Upcoming Events</u></b>: Upcoming is a Life Line Screening, 4-H Scholarship Fundraiser, and the KONP Annual Easter Egg Hunt.</p> <p><b><u>Committee</u></b>: I need to form a special committee to help with some vendors.</p> |
| <b>Other Items</b>                         | 1. <b><u>Forks Chamber of Commerce Meeting</u></b> : Cindy, Melanie, George, Laurie, Carol & Shari will be attending the Forks Chamber of Commerce meeting on March 20 to promote the Fair, Fair rentals, 4-H, PNWJLA, Rodeo, etc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items</b> | <p>1. <b><u>WSDA Fair Judge Update</u></b>: Laurie Davies spoke about the latest WSDA Fair Judge update, that they have decided to go back to every other year rotation for judging. That means we will not be visited by the Fair Judge this year, but it is always expected to treat the Fair like they are attending at any time.</p> <p>2. <b><u>Agriculture Barn</u></b>: Carol Johnson asked for an update on the Agriculture Barn planning because we have a new Barn Superintendent for this year. There are many ideas going around, but because they weren't approved until last meeting there is not much more at the moment. They are looking at new and different display ideas that haven't been present either for a very long time or ever at all.</p>                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Adjournment</b>                         | George Winn moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Dan McCarty. Vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 6:47pm.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

Respectfully submitted,

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