



Clallam County Fairgrounds Parks, Fair & Facilities Department

1608 W. 16th Street
Port Angeles, WA 98363

CLALLAM COUNTY FAIR ADVISORY BOARD Minutes of March 26, 2025 Regular Meeting – In Person and Via Zoom

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

Guests Present	Laurie Davies
Staff Present	Don Crawford, Angie Bronson
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Melanie Greer.
Pledge of Allegiance & Land Acknowledgement	The Pledge of Allegiance and Land Acknowledgement was lead by Cindy Kelly
Quorum	Yes.
Request for Modification / Approval of Minutes	Cindy made a motion to approve minutes from the last meeting. Tara seconded. Motion Passed
Public Comment on Agenda Items	None
Committee Reports	<u>Pacific Northwest Junior Livestock Auction:</u> Cara spoke, we have 68 exhibitors as of right now, so numbers are up from last year. We had pre-weigh in on March 16 <u>4-H / WSU Extension:</u> Melanie said enrollment numbers are 121 youth, 30 volunteers, baking & cooking-10, beef & dairy-5,

	Goat-15; horse-25; poultry-34; rabbit-29; sheep-6; swine-16. Dogs have not started meeting yet so those numbers will come. They just got back from Pullman for an awards banquet. 3. <u>Olympic Peninsula Rodeo Association:</u> a. <u>Rodeo Purse Money:</u> Megan spoke on the issues with ORPA taking the money for the Rodeo purse, secretary, judges & timers. Those checks will have to be written directly to those individuals. This year because we took that money in, we had to pay taxes on it as income. OPRA will not do that going forward. Don asked if OPRA and the county could sit down and go over options for that going forward. OPRA will be talking about it on April 7th at the Rodeo's next board meeting. b. <u>Arena Lighting & Surrounding Arena Area Lighting:</u> Geroge spoke on the necessity of a light pole for running slack after dark for safety of both people and animals. It is very unsafe. Don said he will be looking at where the financing can come from for those light poles.
Special Committee Reports	1. <u>Superintendents' Handbook:</u> Julie asked for clarification on the building/barn superintendents committee. She thought there was separate committees to interview superintendent's vs rewriting the superintendent's handbook. Cindy will give a revised committees list to Shari. Melanie asked if we have a superintendent for the home arts building yet. Shari talked with a few people at the Home Show and is still exploring other avenues. That is the only position that is opened. 2. <u>Fairgrounds Master Plan:</u> They haven't had a chance to meet yet. 3. <u>Fair Budget:</u> Cindy spoke that she met with Megan & Katie with Carol & Teresas input and we have questions that we have given to Shari for clarification. They will meet next on April 21. 4. <u>Fair Ribbons and Trophies:</u> Christine said that ribbons were ordered on March 13. The boxes are ready with the exception of what needed to be ordered and are waiting to come in.
Unfinished Business	<u>N/A</u>
New Business	1. <u>Zoey VanGordon Early Haul Out Time for PNWJLA Auction Animals:</u> Megan spoke that PNWJLA will be hauling auction animals out at 5pm on Sunday. The fair requirements are that exhibitors cannot leave the fairgrounds even if their only animals are auction and have left the fairgrounds until 7pm and the decorations must be up until the fair closes at 7pm to the

	slaughter site. The auction board is asking permission to allow Zoey VanGordon (who is a PNWJLA Auction board member) to leave the fairgrounds without penalty to haul auction animals back & forth. She will be returning to the fairgrounds from hauling animals. Cindy made a motion that we allow early haul out for Zoey so she will not be penalized when leaving the fairgrounds early on Sunday night. Geroge seconded. Passed unanimously.
Staff Reports	1. <u>Manager's Report:</u> Shari confirmed PUD will again sponsor the Kids' Day goodie bags; Coastal Farm & Ranch has verbally confirmed they will provide sponsorship for this year's fair; the WSDA fund allocation of \$71,432.97 has been received; approximately 300 save the date postcards and vendor applications were handed out at the KONP Home Show. Upcoming events scheduled in April include the Master Gardener's graduation ceremony, NPBA Surplus sale, KONP Easter Egg Hunt, 4H Junior Rodeo and Livestock auction meetings. 2. <u>Director's Report:</u> None
Other Items	1. <u>Royalty:</u> Laurie Davies spoke that the court was at the KONP Home Show on Saturday as the greeters at the doors. In April they will be helping the Eagles with their annual Easter Egg. They are currently working on getting the float planned out and getting applications into the various parades throughout the season. They attend 6 parades in total before the fair. 2. <u>Fair Board Committees – Sign Up:</u> Shari asks that everyone tell her who would like to be on what committees going forward. 3. <u>Volunteer Applications; "Returning" Volunteer Applications:</u> There is a shorter form now for returning fair volunteers. All volunteer applications are on the county website and are all fillable PDF documents to make things easier for everyone. There are three different forms in total for volunteers: People who will only be volunteering for no more than 2 days, New Volunteer Applications, and Returning volunteer applications. 4. <u>2026 Budget Press Release dated 3.12.25:</u> Don spoke on the press release that was sent out on March 13, 2025. He wanted to make sure everyone was aware of it because there was so much uproar about the PDN article from February.
Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items	None

Adjournment	Geroge moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Tara. Vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 6:51 pm.
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Respectfully submitted,

Megan Bekkevar
Secretary