

Country Fair Committee Minutes
April 11, 2007



Present: Campbell Barrett, 4-H Agent; Scot Meader, Fair Manager; Charlie Deschamps, Fair Commission, Bill Scullion, Sport Land Trailers, Leroy Christofferson, Open Class Beef Super; and the following 4-H Committee members: Joey Hennes, Lucy & Dale Clouse, Jeri Delys, Lori Zeiser, and Colleen Terrazas

Barney Sheridan was unable to attend, therefore, Campbell Barrett served as Chair.

1. **Country Fair Events Coordinator**

Lucy Clouse reported that *Kim Sol*, a former 4-H'er, is interested in performing the duties of Events Coordinator and being physically on the fairgrounds during fair week. *Jeri Delys, Joey Hennes, Lucy Clouse, Lori Zeiser, Campbell Barrett* are interested in meeting with Kim. A job description will be developed and will be reviewed with Kim Sol.

2. **Mountain West Cooperative (Cenex)**

- a. Tent - options mentioned - nothing decided.
- b. Panels - please let them know exactly what we need in terms of panels for the show ring as they need advance notice in obtaining panels for us. *In 2007, it was decided that the main show ring would be paneled by MWC (Cenex) and the second show ring would be paneled by Quality Supply.*
- c. Fair commitment - MWC (Cenex) is committed to continue with the Buyer Breakfast and rodeo sponsorship.

3. **Show Ring Signage**

It was decided that the Country Fair Committee would provide signage advertising that MWC (Cenex) and Quality Supply supplied the panels for the show ring so that the signs match the theme of the Country Fair.

4. **Trademark - Country Fair Name and Logo**

Joey Hennes checked out the expense involved with buying a trademark for the Country Fair. A Montana State trademark would run \$20-\$200 and a Federal trademark is \$200-\$500. *The committee wishes to trademark the County Fair as well as other names that might be similar such "Country Fair of Montana" for example. Joey will continue to work on this.*

5. **More White Picket Fence**

The Country Fair will incorporate the Culinary Building, 4-H Exhibit Building, and the 4-H Café into the Country Fair by placing white picket fence in strategic locations by those buildings in a way that traffic will not be impeded. *Jeri Delys and Joey Hennes will handle measuring, location, and contacts for building more fence.*

6. Animal Business

- a. Shade must be provided for the Dairy Cattle. Check with Jim Miotke to see if we have adequate material to do this.
- b. Campbell Barrett reported that the sheep will be housed in the Llama Building and the llamas will be in the ice rink area, as per a decision reached at the Barn Superintendent's meeting last week. Discussion regarding space needs for beef and location of goats was discussed. **The committee will meet at the fairgrounds to measure space on Friday, May 4, 5:30 pm**

Show up with tape measures. The Fair Commission will provide the pizza.

- c. Leroy Chrisofferson, Open Class Beef Super, stated that he plans to have an exhibit of buffalo and Long Horn cattle that need 3 pens, 12x40. Leroy was wondering about locating them on the north end of the Country Fair.
- d. Leroy asked Colleen to notify 4-H members that if they enter in Open Class Beef, they may be required to show proof of registration or breed.

7. Tents

- a. The 4-H tent needs to have a rip repaired. Both tents should be cleaned prior to fair.
- b. Scot Meader will check on a definite date that the tents can be set up, so we can contact the National Guard for help.

8. Letters asking for support

1. By May 1st, Lucy and Campbell will work on a letter to Country Fair supporters telling them we appreciate their help last year, but are looking for continued support.
2. Some sort of communication must take place asking for 4-H/FFA families to come and be a part of the planning process. Campbell and Barney are working on this.

9. Shooting Sports Exhibition

This is not a Country Fair Committee item, but it was brought up at this meeting. Lori Zeiser asked Scot Meader where we were going to hold the Shooting Sports Exhibition since there would be ice in the enclosed ice rink. **Scot suggested the "paddock" area and reminded us to complete a "facilities request form" and turn it in to Toni.**

Minutes submitted by Colleen Terrazas

Next Country Fair Committee Meeting:

Friday, May 4, 5:30 pm

Fairgrounds