**WASHINGTON STATE 4-H FAIR BOARD**

**ZOOM MEETING**

**MAY 9, 2020**

The meeting was called to order by President Kirk Gresham. Kirk welcomed everyone to zoom.

Trustees Present: Bruce Bradley, Sabrina Wood, Debbie Smith, Kirk Gresham, Matt Harbin, Debbie Harbin, Brandi Vance, Mariah Moran.

Trustees Absent: Mindy Wallace, Eileen Owens, Karla Better.

Also Present: Tom Gwin, Anita Mastin, Nancy Deringer, Jennifer Leach, Tony Dell.

**TRUSTEE GUIDELINES**

The trustee guidelines, as revised by committee, were emailed to all trustees for their review. On the meeting section of the document, it was suggested that we remove “4-H forum” and add “Volunteer Recognition Event”. It was moved by Debbie Smith, seconded by Bruce Bradley, to adopt the trustee guidelines with the noted change. Motion carried.

**PRESONNEL/TRUSTEE HANDBOOK**

This document has been out for us to view and make comments and changes. It was moved by Matt Harbin, seconded by Sabrina Wood to accept the Personnel/Trustee Handbook. Motion carried. A copy of document will be kept in the WA State 4-H Office for references. It was requested that a final copy go to Tom to save on the fair’s computer system.

**PROGRAM LEADER REPORT**

Nancy reported the WA State Fair’s CEO announced the decision on the fair has been moved from June 1 to July 31. Ten counties have applied for variances and five had been selected with a sixth getting their decision soon. WSU Extension administration is following the governor’s recommendation at the time. There is a hiring freeze, personal leaving and not being replaced. Working on a plan for reopening 4-H following the pandemic. There are committees in place for this to happen. Virtual planning committees:

1. livestock market sales

2. 4-Hers opportunity to showcase their projects

3. Consistent parameters (focusing on 4-H youth)

4.Youth mental health

To assist with educational processes, WSU and Microsoft have set 140 hotspots to allow more internet service. Teen conference will be a virtual event at the University of Idaho and WSU June 21-23, 2020. The 4-H Camping Committee has recommended not holding summer resident camps, but some counties would like to have camps. Nancy is addressing the matter with the attorney general’s office for a recommendation on the liability.

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**VIRTUAL FAIR EXHIBITS AND ACTIVITIES**

We need a policy for virtual shows, and they counties need these guidelines as well:

1. All videos need to go through county offices.

2. Equal opportunities for each child.

3. Concern of quality shows.

Tom stated the virtual committee met to look at exhibits and activities for the State 4-H Fair. Public presentations can be done in each county office, be it on zoom, chat, video, etc. Judge will evaluate and provide oral feedback. Fair will send written feedback and ribbons to exhibitors. Some suggestions were: table settings, photographs, education posters, all the arts, maybe fashion review. Not for virtual would be gardening at this time. Kirk asked for the board to review and make comments to the committee as soon as possible. This needs to go to the counties as soon as possible.

**LIABILITY INSURANCE**

The liability committee has a couple of inquiries out and waiting for return information.

Next meeting: May 26, 2020 at 7p.m. It will be a zoom meeting to review the report of the Virtual Fair Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Smith, Secretary Protem