Humboldt County Rodeo Board Agricultural District #3 - Regular Meeting February 12, 2014

Board Members Present: Kent Maher, Dennis Ramasco, Jim Christison, Dale Owen, Glynn Montero, Chris Bengoa, Dave Louk and Becky Hill

Board Members Absent:

Staff Present: Kim Petersen, Sheree Tibbals and Darrel Field

Others Present: Cecil, Tanner & Shearer, Chris, Sierra & Angie Gleason, Jordan Vetter, Buck Tipton, Pete & Bonnie Cassenelli & Manuel Souza.

CALL TO ORDER

Kent Maher called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. in the West Hall of the Winnemucca Convention Center.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

Dave moved to approve the minutes of January 8, 2014. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF OUTSTANDING VOUCHERS

Jim moved to approve the outstanding vouchers consisting of: \$3,993.57 for the Indoor Event Center through February 12, 2014 \$17,731.84 for Ag District #3 through **February 12, 2014** The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

2013/2014 BUDGET REVIEW

Kim distributed copies of this month's expenditure reports. At 67% of elapsed time, Event Center expenses are at 34% and Fairgrounds expenses are at 49%. The combined total expenses are at 44%.

Kim asked the board for guidance on the main arena dirt. Most members of the public in attendance agreed that the main arena is in good shape and only needs to be watered and worked to be in great shape.

Kim notes that the back arena is still rocky. The board suggests getting a bit from Hunewill for replacing the rocky dirt in the back arena.

2014/2015 PROPOSED BUDGET

a. Capital outlay items

Kim presented a list of items including \$5500 for a second Black Widow Groomer, \$50,000 to paint the grandstands, \$15,000 for gates and panels and \$65,000 for a new tractor.

The Director also will add amounts for Handicapped bathrooms. The board asked that an additional \$50,000 be set aside for the future shop storage building. The board also approved use of funds set aside for the addition of

swamp coolers to the event center to hire engineers to determine feasibility of the project.

WINNEMUCCA EVENTS COMPLEX (WEC)

a. Javier Rivera – Request to extend curfew for the Valentine's Day Dance Dennis moved to extend the curfew by 1 hour. The motion passed unanimously.

EVENTS UPDATES, REPORTS AND SCHEDULING

a. Ranch Hand Rodeo

Kim reports that the event is shaping up well with plenty of dogs entered in the dog trials and a full bull sale roster. The horse sale event is down by 10 horses from last year's count but the Director cites the economy as the reason people are hanging on to their horses this year.

Third Street Bistro has agreed to work the food concession this year.

- b. Labor Day Events
 - i. Labor Day Rodeo Presentation

Manuel Souza of Souza's Bucking Bulls addressed the board proposing a Bulls only event to replace the Labor Day Rodeo. Mr. Souza cited several event building success stories. He proposes to produce an event for us for \$17,500.

The board and public discussed adding local events to the bulls only event such as the Great Basin Challenge, Barrel Racing and even roping events.

Dale moved to request a written proposal from Souza's Bucking Bulls to possibly replace our Labor Day Rodeo Event. The motion passed unanimously.

The board will decide on the Labor Day format at the next meeting.

FAIRGROUNDS REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE

Dennis asked that the bent gate post be replaced or repaired.

INFORMATION, PROPOSALS AND/OR REQUESTS BY BOARD MEMBERS OF STAFF FOR CONSIDERATION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

Nothing at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Chris moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrel Field, Secretary