Needville Youth Fair Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

Date: November 4, 2025 **Time:** 7:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Registration of Members & Guests / Correspondence

Board Members Present:

Dustin Smith, Kimberly Blezinger, Casidy Smith, Scotty Wieghat, Jenny Koeppen, Amy Schnacky, Heath Breedlove, Donna Svetak, Mark Weber, Trey Sawyer, Cris Meyer, Julie Kveton, Tricia Kaminski, Marc Hackstedt, Brian Meuth, Ashley Soape, Michelle West, and Johnny West

Guests:

Stephanie Wheeler, Nikki Meyer, and Hailey Patton

III. Review and Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the previous meeting minutes was made by **Kimberly Blezinger** and seconded by **Heath Breedlove**. Motion carried.

IV. Treasurer's Report

No report at this time. The financial books are currently in transition to the new bookkeeper, **Stephanie Wheeler**.

V. Committee Reports

a. Queens:

Ashley Soape reported that raffle prize preparations are underway and requested a **\$6,000** budget. Motion made by **Scotty Wieghat** and seconded by **Brian Meuth**. Motion carried. Rule changes for dates only were also approved, with a motion by **Mark Weber** and second by **Kimberly Blezinger**.

b. Awards:

Tricia Kaminski reviewed the awards list with the committee chairs and requested signatures on the Market Animal award form.

c. Lamb & Goats:

Casidy Smith, confirmed as Vice Chair for both species.

Mark Weber will serve on the Safety Committee.

d. All-Star Showcase:

Tricia presented updated combination rules. No entry fee for Special Needs participants; Pee Wee division will have a **\$30** entry fee. Motion made by **Ashley Soape**, seconded by **Michelle West**. Motion carried.

e. Junior Leadership:

Cassidy shared plans for a new newsletter that will be distributed around town.

VI. Old Business

a. Taxes & Bookkeeping:

Taxes are being filed. **Stephanie Wheeler** is the new bookkeeper. **Scotty Wieghat** and **Tracey Myska** will be removed from bank signature cards, and **Dustin Smith**, **Brian Meuth**, and **Kimberly Blezinger** will be added as signers.

b. Kick-Off:

Trey reported that table tickets are available.

c. TERP Grant:

Scotty reported that the bucket is ordered and the tractor is expected in December. The paperwork remains under his name.

d. Insurance:

Scotty announced that the insurance claim is officially closed. **Katie at Wessendorf Insurance** will serve as the new broker and will provide quotes for liability, BOD, and general coverage.

Motion made by **Johnny West** for the Executive Board to make the final insurance decision, seconded by **Mark Weber**. Motion carried.

e. QuickBooks:

Kimberly reviewed options for QuickBooks Online (single user, no payroll). Motion made by **Kimberly Blezinger** and seconded by **Ashley Soape**. Motion carried.

VII. New Business

a. 2026 Fair Theme:

The following themes were considered:

• "Celebrating 70 Years of Blue Ribbons & Big Dreams" – **9 votes** Selected Theme

- "Homegrown Heroes, Celebrating 70 Years" 7 votes
- "Honoring Our Past, Inspiring Our Future" no votes

b. ORSTED/Stern Donations:

Dustin and Scotty shared that **Orsted** will donate \$30,000 toward the steer area.

Dr. Stern will contribute \$20,000 for new cattle pens and the auction stand.

717 Construction has offered to provide all concrete work for the steer area.

c. Youth Dance:

Dustin proposed moving the Youth Dance to the new pavilion. Motion made by **Cris Meyer** to relocate the Kids' Dance to the pavilion while keeping it youth-only; seconded by **Mark Weber**. Motion carried.

d. Bank Signature Card Updates:

The following updates are to be reflected and signed by the Secretary for bank records:

- Remove Scotty Wieghat as President; Add Dustin Smith as President
- Remove Tracey Myska as Bookkeeper
- · Add Brian Meuth as Vice President
- Retain Kimberly Blezinger as Treasurer

e. Rental Committee Meeting:

Scheduled for **November 18, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.** Interested members should contact Kimberly to receive the agenda and materials. *Information only, no action required*.

f. Harvest Festival Deposit:

Tricia made a motion to return the \$1,000 deposit (full rental paid in June). Motion seconded by **Michelle West**. Motion carried.

g. Floor Checks:

Kimberly reminded that floor checks are needed from **Fishers**, **Tomlinson**, and others.

h. Board Additions:

Motion made by **Casidy Smith** to add **Hailey Patton** to the Board, seconded by **Donna Svetak**. Motion carried.

Motion made by **Mark Weber** to add **Nikki Meyer** to the Board, seconded by **Cris Meyer**. Motion carried.

i. Fryer Covers:

Mark Weber requested approval for **\$250** to have fryer lids made by the Tin Shop. Motion by **Heath Breedlove**, seconded by **Jenny Koeppen**. Motion carried.

j. Sponsorships:

Donna is gathering sponsorship data. Kimberly requested a full list of those who have received donation requests.

k. Next Meeting:

The next **Monthly Board Meeting/Annual Meeting** is scheduled for **December 2, 2025**. *Information only*.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by **Tricia Kaminski** and seconded by **Michelle West**. Meeting adjourned at **8:05 p.m.**

Signature

Julie Kveton, Secretary

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