

FREMONT COUNTY FAIR BOARD MINUTES

TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM by President Amanda Ellis

Fair Board members present: P for Present and A for Absent

P President Amanda Ellis	P Gannon Long	P Kevin Mahmalji
A Vice President Delores Comstock	P John Daniels	P Linda Valdez
P Secretary Kristina Brubaker	A Brandon Sherwood	P Chris Wood
P Treasurer Amanda Fouche	P Tami Ratkovich	A Angie Zorilla

County Commissioners: P Dwayne McFall

Extension Office:

P Julianne Dinkle P Kassy Tracy A Theresa Clubb P Kelsey Story

FFA: P Mia Hampton A Cynthia Fall

Guests: Cody Hall, Corrin Hogan, Ellie Hogan, Gina Gall, Alicia DeFreitas

Minutes - Cody Hall requests the minutes be corrected to state **Westcliffe Meats scales** showed discrepancy of weight. Gannon and several board members agreed Cody stated it was also his scale that weighed different than the fair scale and a processor was not previously named. Dwayne asked if Westcliffe Meats is where their hogs ended up to which Cody responded "more or less"

Kevin moved to accept the minutes with the requested corrections. Gannon seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: Current Cash on hand is \$25,590.38. **Kevin moved to accept the treasurers report. Chris second the motion. Motion carried.**

Public Input

NONE.

Committee Reports

Advertising & Marketing – Jon with IT has updated the website. Kevin has been promoting the fair in the paper and online. He put out a call for action for sponsors.

Building – Update from Delores: Still working on indoor judges. Animal specie judges are locked in. Goat judge will be coming from Amarillo Tx.

Vendors/Food Trucks –.None

Small Animal – Kristina and Amanda requested the board purchase a new Standard of Perfection Rabbit Breed book. ***Tami moved to order the book. Gannon seconded the motion.***

Kristina will do some research on a new tattooer for the rabbit project and present it next month.

Livestock – VET Check dates have been dropped off.

Pen fees and Livestock forms can be paid and signed Sunday night during set up to keep line less congested.

Market Livestock Sale – Gina

February's meeting was cancelled. They will be meeting 3/17.

D'Wayne from Pathfinder is looking into headset. Dwayne said he will need to talk to Lisa.

Rodeo – Kelsey Crowder

- Working on sponsorships. Will get belt buckle orders done

Shooting Sports – Linda Met 3/9 and decided to do Grand Champion differently.

.22 shotgun and air rifle – Must have ONE BLUE RIBBON to be eligible for Grand and Reserve Champion. Archery will remain the same with grand and reserve in each age division.

John Moves to accept the proposed changes. Kevin seconded the motion. Motion Carried..

Sponsorships & Awards – Tami took everything to Hadley that needs done. Shay is going to charge what was billed in the past. Tami will also do her buckle order.

Special Events – Car Show - Amanda E. asked if they could spray the weeds for grasshoppers so they can park in the grass. Dwayne said possibly. Chris asked if it was going to be Cars and Trucks like last year. It will be Cars and Trucks show along with the swap. They had also talked about adding motorcycles.

Family Day- Kevin

- Petting Zoo –Jessica Storm will bring the petting zoo again. ***Tami moved to have the petting zoo for \$250.Chris seconded the motion.***
- Wagon Masters – Kevin is working with Wagon Masters creating a plan.

Silent Auction – Dana has stepped down as Silent Auction chair. Kirstie Crawford is interested in taking over the Silent Auction.

Cornerstone- Cleaning the building 4/19 10-12 am. FFA can pick up the cases that day.

4/27 annual meeting.

Horse Project – Colorado 4-H Level testing – Kelsey would like to add that to compete at fair it exhibitors must complete the level one testing and to compete over fences they have to have

their over the fences test first. ***John moved to add the proposed changes. Gannon seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

Pens of Progress – Looking for donations. Would like at least 20 more pens.

Special Committee Reports -

Commissioner – D'Wayne will work on getting the inmates. He needs dates for fair Set Up to request them. Dwayne asked if there was a map of the pens since it was set up a little different. The panels were labeled with different colored duct tape.

Extension –

- Julianne - is back and getting caught up on things.
- Kelsey - Met with Bryanna Bamford and Josh Talbot they wanted to change a couple rules for Utility goat. They would like to remove the that after first year you can not lease goat and also have them have their packs on before starting their course instead of at the start of the obstacle course.
- Dairy Goat – Changing the classes like the American dairy goat association and classes as the way the classes are now is confusing.
 - Livestock will meet and email proposed changes to be approved so the Fairbook can be updated.
- Council will do their movie selection next month.
- Kassy reported Angie was in a motorcycle accident and is recovering. They had to cancel the March Clover Buds and are working on planning the April one. Amanda E. said if they need help Beaver Park Ag. 4-H club is willing to help.

FFA – Mia reported that FFA had their annual fundraiser. They are considering moving to a fall date because FFA no longer have their date in April due to the facility being booked. They will have a meeting for kids interested in housing animals and participating in the fair.

Unfinished Business

- Bounce Houses – no update
- Trailer at the 4-H building – Chris will list it on Facebook. It does have a title so Tami will reach out to Ralph for the title.

New Business

- White tent Quotes
 - \$11,3600 Canon Rental
 - \$10,480 Brunos
 - Amanda will reach on to Canon Rental to see if they will match
- Lunches during Fair week
 - Cattlewomen – John will reach out to them so see if they can to it on Friday but Saturday usually works best.
 - Lunches Judges and inmates - \$1455 was spent on the food for the week while the budget was \$1800.
 - Tami suggested leaving the budget at \$1800 for lunches. Gannon moved to leave the budget of \$1800 for lunches for the week. Chris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:08

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, MARCH 10, 2026 at 6:30 PM in the Pathfinder CLASSROOM.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Kristina Brubaker, Secretary