

SAN JUAN COUNTY FAIR BOARD MINUTES

Parks and Fair Admin Conference Room

San Juan County Fairgrounds

Friday, February 6, 2026

CONVENE MEETING

9:01AM

Attendance: Terri Brown, Jeri King, Clinton Gauthier, Brandon Andrews, Kevin Roth, Mark Hampton, Barbara Bevens, Amanda Smith, Milene Henley, Josephine Bangs

Approval of Agenda: Barbara moved; Mark seconded. Approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: *January 2026:* Mark moved; Barbara seconded. Approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

4-H DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Clinton Gauthier:

- Lots of events/club meetings at the Marie Boe
- Know Your Government conference. Clinton has taken this over leadership of this program giving WSU a 10% reduction. 5 kids, 1 adult.
- Enrollment up 71% from this time last year. Livestock numbers are about the same. Established farm families are coming back to the program.

NEW BUSINESS:

Washington State Fairs Association Super School:

- Friday – Fair Managers (3/27), Saturday – Supers/Volunteers (3/28)
- Host site this year. 2001 was our last opportunity to do that.
- Brandon shared the draft agenda with the Board
- We will host a panel about the unique things we offer at our Fair:
 - Amanda – Sensory Friendly offerings
 - Lynnette/Scott – Zucchini 500
 - Francie – Trashion Fashion
 - Jenn – Chicken Race (?)
- You Make the Difference 10am – 2pm
- Staff will get an email to supers/board about the registration details. \$25/day includes lunch.

Non-Sponsorship Fundraising:

- Barbara is asking the Board to help come up with fundraising opportunities to help cover the budget shortfalls.
- Terri has requested a letter or materials to present to potential sponsors/donors

Superintendent Potluck:

- Mo Sloane & Alayne Goodheart expressed that they would like more of an opportunity to get to know their fellow superintendents.
- Incorporate into the staff debrief after Fair? Or add an event early? Tack onto 1st super meeting? After a Fair Board meeting?
- No matter when the event is the Board supports this community building event.

OLD BUSINESS:

Review Poster Art

- Amanda presented the final poster artwork and t-shirt mock-ups
- Amanda will make an announcement on social media

Indoor Space Planning:

- Brandon shared the proposal for changing the layout in the Main Building to give Crafts & Hobbies more space to display the large items they continue to receive
- Fair Board approves the changes provided the Flower Dept & Crafts supers sign off on them.

Capital Improvements Update:

- Conference Room drywall will be repaired, cables moved & room painted. Live edge will replace folding table under screen.
- Working on refurbishing and repainting the gazebo, the ticket booth, chair storage and the old arena restroom in advance of WSFA
- 3rd lift of chipseal around the Main Building projected for May. Coat of fog seal after that.
- Replacement of the grandstand for Main Arena will begin in June/July. Done before Fair.
- Electrical updates are on the calendar for the Fall. Some smaller projects are in the works before Fair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Fair Board Meeting

March 13, 2026

ADJOURN: 10:02 AM