



Board of Directors- Minutes June 2nd, 2025

RJF Mission Statement: "Promoting the advancement of local youth through agriculture, industrial education, and recreational activities and exhibits."

- 1) Called to Order by President Jeff Becker at 6:50pm
- 2) Flag Salute
- 3) Roll Call of Directors
- a) **Directors present:** Jeff Becker, Travis Scott, Mandy Garner, Diane Collins, Stacy Pate, Michelle Scott, Victoria Stanley, Cindi Zeigler, Scott Weller, and Carolyn Audibert
- b) **Directors excused:** Connor Nelson and Kelsey Weller
- c) **Members present:** Stacey Nelson, Dani Upson, Athena Wolf, Jasmine, and Casey King
- d) **Guests present:** Dakotah Audibert, Tatankah Audibert, Kristen Blackburn, and Jessica Nelson
- 4) Jeff Becker presented the June agenda. A motion was made to approve the agenda as read. Motion/Second: Travis Scott/Scott Weller. Discussion: None. Motion passes unanimously.
- 5) Jeff Becker presented the May minutes for review. A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes with the exception of changing the date from April 31st to April 30th in the treasurer's report section. Motion/Second: Mandy Garner/Travis Scott. Discussion: none. Motion passes unanimously.
- 6) Open Forum: *Kristen states the Ramona Paisanos want to host a clean-up day on June 28th from 8am to 1pm. Travis mentions would like to get the office cleaned up and ready for fair as well. States if enough people are present, would like to get the tarp truck running and cut off the old tarp ties, as well as fix the holes in the barns. *Jasmine states if Kim is still wanting to do the planters, San Pasqual Valley Soils is willing to donate the soil for them.
- 7) Officer Reports
 - a) **President:** Jeff discussed May and June events as follows: *Eight weeks until fair, need to start planning work parties. *May 31st was the BBQ & Pie Auction, which was amazing. There were a ton of kids to help and other great volunteers. A total of \$24095.00 was raised, which is a record. 91 desserts auctioned off. Sold 210 meals tickets that brought in about \$2800. Had donations that accumulated to \$1000 to go to Garrett and Megan Barton. We sold 47 pig raffle tickets, which totaled \$800. All together we made \$28735. *June events: The pig barn concrete project is under way, started yesterday. June 15th, we have someone wanting to rent the parking lot. Ransom Brothers still wanting a new list of board members, so will get to that.
 - b) **Vice President:** Travis states he spoke with Laird Nelson and Hawthorne is going to donate a skid steer again for the fair. The ice machine is beyond repair, so working with others at ROCC for a possible donation on one. States had someone reach out to him re: ear tags for Del Mar, so need to figure that out. Raffle tickets for the pig will continue to be sold up until the after-auction.
 - c) **Secretary:** No report
 - d) **Treasurer:** Scott Weller presented the May Treasurer's report. A motion was made to approve the May treasurer's report with a beginning balance on all accounts as of May 1st: \$66,244.68 and an ending balance as of May 30th: \$63,064.76. Motion/Second: Cindi Zeigler/Michelle Scott. Abstained: Travis Scott and Scott Weller. Discussion: None. Motion passes unanimously with two abstentions. Scott states there was a difference of \$145 from April's ending balance to May's beginning due to the software used and an outstanding check.
 - e) **Fair Administrator:** Diane states during the FFA clean-up day, ribbons were counted to see what needed to be ordered, which is close to last year's amount. States the premium book is almost done. Ear tags are ready to go out, so will be reaching out to the clubs to disperse them. Still in need of a poultry and dog superintendent. Spoke with Curtis about passing out the ear tags at Del Mar. States the market judge has been secured, as well as the Horse judge. Victoria states she has 1 room confirmed for the judge, will confirm another for Matt.
 - f) **Fair Clerk:** No report
 - g) **Board Members:** No report

- h) **Youth Directors:** No Report
 - i) **Livestock Superintendent:** No report
- 8) Standing Committee Reports
- a) **Scholarship Committee:** Michelle states went to scholarship night at the HS and presented four awards and the rest of the recipients received letters in the mail. Stephanie Ogilvie is helping with pictures and possibly individual banners vs one big banner. That way the kids can take their banner home. States she can get a discount on the banners from Ball Park and Stephanie won't be charging for the pictures. Stephanie also mentioned could get head shots of the new members for the website as well.
 - b) **Budget Committee:** No report
 - c) **Auction Committee:** No report
 - d) **Steering Committee:** Cindi states changed the date of the next meeting to June 11th @ 6:30p. Also states they are working on the shirts.
 - e) **Rules & Premiums Committee:** Diane states the premium book is mainly ready to go, except for adding the ultrasound date. Scott states the US tech will be here on July 30th and have the results by the 31st. States it will be \$25/head, as previous.
 - f) **Awards Committee:** Victoria states wants to know how barn display was last year so she can reference back to that. Also has a question on why awards committee does the award for Hay Bucking, since it is a steering committee event. Suggesting possibly having steering committee put it in their budget for next year. Scott asks the cost of the award, which per Victoria is about \$75 to \$100. Scott states could set up a budget for it next year. Victoria also suggests giving the award right after hay bucking, so they can get recognition real time. Also states needs confirmation on poultry awards and what it is going to look like. Diane states it is up in the air currently until further. After discussion, will be doing poultry poster or showing a mock chicken for primaries. For junior, intermediate, senior, and novice senior, will be doing a poultry exhibition with a \$5 entry fee and a ribbon reward and poultry exhibition will include showing a mock chicken and a knowledge test. Diane states it doesn't go further than a ribbon and doesn't include masters. Diane motions all that she mentioned above to include in the premium book. Travis seconds the motion. Jasmine opposes. Discussion: none. Motion passes unanimously. Victoria confirms, if doing hay bucking this year, can award the kids after the event vs at awards ceremony, which is agreed upon by board.
- 9) Ad-Hoc Committee Report
- a) **Chamber of Commerce Committee:** No report
 - b) **Community Advisory Committee:** Jeff states the group continues to discuss improvements.
 - c) **Construction and Grounds Development Committee:** Jeff states the pig waters in the pig barns had to be pulled up because only buried 4" in the dirt. States will figure out what to do with the water moving forward. States the ice machine is beyond repair, so thinks it's time to stop trying to fix it and look for a new one. Erica shared that Joe Stupar was able to get a brand-new ice machine donated for the ROCC, so Travis is going to reach out and see if we can get one. States still have roof stuff that needs addressed at some point, but hopefully can use grant money. The park has signed the last letter to be able to get funds, but still waiting to hear. Still need a new storage container for the tarps, as the old one is leaking. Cindi states the baseball field is getting rid of theirs, so possibly could buy it. Travis states we have one in the grant but must wait until funding is available. Jeff states should be getting DG soon. Travis states need to redo 3 posts on the grounds that have rusted and have holes. States received a quote 2 years ago, but nothing got fixed, so got a new quote, which is about \$2800. Need to get the posts fixed to be compliant with RMWD. It is also a safety issue. Can do under capital improvement budget. Stacy makes a motion to move forward with fixing the posts. Cindi seconds the motion. Discussion: none. Motion passes unanimously. Mandy asks about getting tarps out and seeing if any need repaired. Decided on June 11th for a work party to pull out tarps/inspect them and take off old string from them, 5pm. Mandy also states need to set up fair set-up dates.
 - d) **Computer Committee:** Stacey states Connor is putting a lot on himself for all the technical stuff to take the pressure off Russ. Asking if anyone has experience or is tech savvy, please reach out to Connor or herself if willing to help during the fair so he can help with the other aspects of fair he is involved in.

- e) **Camping & Security Committee:** Jeff states, according to Joe Stupar, will need to have everyone camping on the grounds, park as close to the corner as they can in the overflow parking lot to free up more parking for country fair parking. Dani suggests putting up signs. Jasmine brought up the fumes from exhaust. Travis states he will send something out to those camping about getting an exhaust kit to help with fumes.
- f) **Fair Marketing & Education Committee:** Michelle states her boss, who is a local business owner, is willing to do a design for the banner from here on out. States she is picking it up tomorrow or Wed. He is willing to trade doing the banner for advertisement of his business. Jeff states maybe he could print us a 2 x 4 banner of his to keep up all year on our fence. Mandy states we are also working on t-shirts.
- g) **Pie Auction & BBQ Committee:** Athena says a big thanks to all who helped her with the BBQ and Pie Auction. States it was a successful year. Travis states was one of the smoothest run auctions and one of the best. Athena also gives huge thank you to Morgan Nelson. Jeff states Matt Parker was a huge help in getting the truck/tractor show up and running, he took care of it all. Jeff states thank you to everyone that helped in setting up and taking down.
- h) **Grants Committee:** Jeff states Melissa Sargent emailed him and said Ramona Food and Clothes Closet has opened their grants, so will forward it to Stacey.
- i) **After Auction Committee:** Jessica presented more items received for the after-auction. States some businesses were asking for more "thank you" advertisement. States thinking of doing posters and/or putting advertisement on FB to say thank you. Also states thinking about ways to help keep the auction shorter time wise. States doesn't want to put items together, as donors were upset for doing that in years past.
- j) **Ground Rentals:** Travis states there will be a dirt rally private event with the Chamber on June 15th, where they will be renting our parking lot. Getting \$250 for the day.

10) New Business: None

11) Jeff states the next RJF board meeting will be July 7th @ 6:30p.

12) Meeting adjourned by Jeff @ 8:42p. Motion/Second: Scott/Cindi. Discussion: none. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Garner
RJF Secretary

Minutes approved at the RJF Board Meeting July 7th, 2025