

Emergency Committee Meeting

1pm, Called to Order by Michelle Powell

- Carlos Gamez, Michelle Powell, Corey Brown, Danielle Tucker, Jadee Rohner, Jake Myers, Jamie Bechtell, Meghan Marcum, Emily Schmitt, Alana Sanchez, Ashton Redd, Chris Corbett, Kenny Salinas, Michelle Wiese, Tracy Hampton, Angelica Rudow, Tracy Anders, Reagan Kempton, Elizabeth Rico, Karen Searle, Carl Hill, David Stambough, John Nieto, Kristen Coates

Karen Searle: On behalf of Fair Board grateful that these members were able to present, want to guarantee experiences for youth of Pinal County. Director of Youth for Arizona “

Although the Fair is not a 4H sponsored event, no 4H

- Breaking News: 4H, University of Arizona will not support any club leaders or members in the participation of activities (club meetings, events, fairs etc.) until after April 1, 2020.
- Escalating, increased confirmed cases 12 as of this afternoon and 5 in Pinal County. Want to make sure that we are not contributing to the hysteria but we are not contributing to the problem.
- Everybody else is waiting for everyone else to make that decision. How are we looking to protect our exhibitors, families and community.
- 4H has pulled out of the County Fair, no exhibits, no small stock and now livestock. No insurance coverage for activities, unable to use emblem, opening ceremonies, official title of 4H.

Jamie Bechtell: Life lessons. This is a life lesson that they will always remember this, working throughout the year and being unable to fulfill, but made a decision for the greater good. As a group we need to determine and model- how to make the right decision, when in turmoil, and have a discussion and perhaps make a decision that they don't directly benefit from.

Jake Myers: 2pm 4H is pulling out, what about the other kids that aren't 4H they aren't covered under 4H. Believes that we should provide a safe environment to raise, show and sell an animal- the decision should be left in the parents hands as to whether to bring them.

Angelica Rudow: It should be a personal decision for each exhibitor, and family. Respect their wishes on whether to show or not, but now with 4H being unable to participate, she would support Board recommendation which is unfortunate- so we should put our power into developing a plan to help with financials.

Meghan Marcum: Kids are going to be sad, but financials are going to be important because it may limit their participation in the following years.

Emily Schmitt: Upon Ear Tagging, have photographer here to take pictures of profiles of each animal for online auction. Only have market show, and online auction with limiting people in and out. Provide additional hand washing stations.

Alana Sanchez: Sad, 4H members are unable to claim where they are from. Financials are counted on for a lot of different reasons, college tuition.

Ashton Redd: counting on financials to help support for college, she'd like to see it postponed or rescheduled. Although there are exhibitors that animals will be overweight, which may present a lot of challenges. She believes that this situation will get worse, and doesn't believe that rescheduling is an option and that we should focus energy to help exhibitors with financials.

Michelle Wiese: Hard to make a decision before what we know, parents in club would like to move forward with Fair. With 4H pulling out, we'd have to determine if they could go into a different "club" so they are able to participate. We need to think about the kids that want to have a show, need to have a show, and her families are prepared to take the risk. Go full throttle until CAFA says that we can no longer have one.

Chris Corbett: In support of pursuing a show, but need to consider the local economy and agriculture

Kenny Salinas: Advocate of community, and county. You've got buyers that are ready to buy a pig, he'd like to see his daughter show but needs to side on what's best for the community and local businesses.

Tracy Hampton: Let the show go on, if it gets cancelled, then it gets cancelled. Take pictures at ear tagging for potential shut down.

Reagan Dugan: Sees now this bigger than us, Ducey can at any time go on tv and cancel, but as a board we should buck up and mold this into the best show that we can. It's our job, unsure what's important the showing experience or the financials. She believes that the Fair should go on.

Elizabeth Rico: Believes it should go on, until there is a directive from higher up. She wants to support the kids, and don't want to be the one to say no.

Carl Hill: Personally wants the show to go on, negative publicity could be detrimental- the only place that allowed it to go on. Combs High School will be extending Spring Break by 1 week. China is back up and running because they went on a complete quarantine, but we are America and we won't do that. Discussed statistics affecting elderly, and those are going to be the people that could be most

John Nieto: Suggestion would be minimize the time exhibitors are out here.

Kristen Coates: Cut out food, not shaking hands, limit time with others, minimize time spent out, supports online auction

David Stambaugh: Would like to see the show go on, contamination is a lot less outside then inside, getting on tv isn't as bad.

Karen Searle: Difficult professionally, personally to separate livestock show and fair. Personally it's difficult to have a county fair without the livestock show, she has to look from the 1000 ft view and from the whole and look to see that it effects a large amount of individuals and small companies. It's a very fluid, hour by hour change, and is unable to answer questions about jeopardizing safety. Everyone has the free will do what they want, attend or not attend, but the public wants to know why does CAFA feel like they can provide a safer experience then Disneyland. Doesn't have overall opinion. Considering liability, law suits, defending law suits, and hiring attorney to defend claims. This is not a small decision.

Tracy Anders: Let the show go on, and animals are ready.

Danielle Tucker: On the fence, didn't sleep well, and is very emotional over the fact that this directly impacts our kids. It's a hard decision, but the fact that most tests are available, we will see more results

Corey Brown: Protecting local economy, and protecting community. Need to look at big picture, most calls are financials and it needs to be taken into considerations. There are going to be failures in life, but we need to determine how to turn those failures into successes.

Michelle Powell: Shares same concerns, financials not even in respect to exhibitors but need to look at the financial stand point of paying for an online auction and the costs of putting on an event like this.

Carlos Gamez: From a leader perspective, 4H being not unable to participate, he will not “buck” the system. What if one of the kids gets it? What if they come after the association? We probably couldn’t afford the legal attorney fees to defend claims?

Main Motion: To cancel the March 17-22, 2020 PCJLC Livestock Show.

Maker: David Stambaugh

Second: Corey Brown

Favor: 14

Oppose: 6

Motion Passed.

Main Motion: To make an effort to support our exhibitors financial efforts.

Motion: Corey Brown

2nd: Kristen Coates

Discussion:

- John: Online Auction to support kids.
- Rohner: Blue Ribbon fund, every kid from each specie would receive same amount from donors seeking what would have been spent at Auction.
- Karen: We need to develop a statement, it’s important for everyone not to panic, there is time to make plans to determine how exhibitors are going to recoup their financials. Give this group a chance to make effort to make it right for kids.
- Ashton: Would it be an option to sell through private treaty, if so would they be a part of the online auction? Or Blue Ribbon Fund?
- Carl Hill: Moving to fast, everyone needs time to process and develop ideas that are backed up.
- Carlos: This going to take time to make sure that it makes with all the entities involved. ShoWorks may know some suggestions on how to proceed.
- Angelica: Needs a day to communicate with parents, and exhibitors.
- Kristen Coates: Respectfully, agree with both ideas but we need to have a statement.

Amend: To make an effort to support our exhibitors financial efforts, reporting back Monday at 9am with ideas.

Maker: Jadee

2nd: Corey

Discussion: Already have a meeting on the Tuesday, should meet on Tuesday instead of Monday.

Amend: Amend the amendment, by striking out Monday and inserting Tuesday.

Revised Motion: To make an effort to support our exhibitors financial efforts, reporting back Tuesday at 9am with ideas.

Maker: Ashton Redd

2nd: Jamie Bechtell

Amendment to Amendment Passed. Amendment Passed. **Motion Passed.**

Main Motion: The carcass competition awards ceremony is cancelled, and results will be posted website.
2nd: Ashton

Amend: To insert Monday at 3pm

Revised Motion: The carcass competition awards ceremony is cancelled, and results will be posted Monday at 3pm on the website.

2nd: Emily

Amendment Passed. **Motion Passed.**

Other Concerns:

- Carcass exhibitors results were supposed to be Monday. Carcass can't hang for greater than 1 week, encourage to sell via private treaty.
- Development of Official Statement
- Jackpot idea

Official Statement:

PCJLC has an obligation to protect the youth and communities that we serve using the best research-based information available. Social distancing is needed to mitigate the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) so the **PCJLC March 17-22, 2020 show is cancelled**, we recognize this is a major upset. Further actions are being taken **to support exhibitors financially, the carcass awards ceremony is cancelled &** results will be posted online (Monday at 3pm), and please don't panic-hold onto your animals.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion: Danielle Tucker

2nd: Corey

Adjourn @3:36pm