

WHATCOM COUNTY YOUTH FAIR

January 9, 2025 at 7:00 pm

Meeting at BP People's Place, NWWF, Lynden, WA

Fair Manager: Janel Black

Current Officers: Monica Henken, President; Theresa Greenwood, Vice President; Tanya Johnson, Secretary; Heather Oostra, Treasurer

Term expiring 1/25

Holly Linneville
Lyle Bronkema
Monica Henken
Theresa Greenwood

Term expiring 1/26

Caitlyn Olson
Heather Oostra
Jeff Kentch
Meghan Harting

Term expiring 1/27

Haily Marino
Shannon Oneill
Tanya Johnson

Permanent Seat for Veterinarian Representative (Kulshan) Olivia Bosscher

Call meeting to order at 7:07pm

Roll Call - Board members present in person (Monica Henken, Heather Oostra, Shannon Oneill)

Roll Call - Superintendents (Cara Stuit, Jason Cronk, Jaymee Graves, Shannon Schmautz)

Roll Call - Board members available by phone (Olivia Bosscher, Caitlyn Olson, Meghan Harting, Lyle Bronkema)

Meeting minutes from May 2024 not available right now

Treasurer's Report - approx. \$ [REDACTED] in the bank

(available in person per request)

Election of new board members

Term expiring 1/26

Term expiring 1/27

Term expiring 1/28

Caitlyn Olson
Heather Oostra
Jeff Kentch
Meghan Harting

Hailey Marino
Lyle Bronkema
Shannon Oneill
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Old Business

List of current divisions (beef, cat, chess, creative writing, dairy, dog, entrepreneurship, goats (dairy and pygmy), horse, lawnmower, poster, rabbit, teen leader, watercolor)

*** any divisions without superintendents after 1/15/25 will be eliminated)

*** Division books will be printed for superintendents (Janel will meet in Ferndale, Monica in Lynden)

*** please shop early as possible and absolutely do not go over budget

*** anything that goes home with kids is considered a prize

Need for superintendents (CPR/first aid, country crafts, forestry, goats (boer), knitting, photography, poultry, sewing, sheep, small engines, swine, woolcrafts)

***typically a superintendent has invested approx. 30 hours to prepare for a fair

***if you have any ideas of superintendents for the above divisions, please let us know

***Jason's sister may be interested in woolcrafts, Shai's friend possible interested in sheep

***Janel will get a letter drafted for potential sponsors. Each division needs to find their own sponsors.

Concession stands during youth fair - Janel will contact Renee and get names for at least two vendors that may be available during fair

New Business

Increase entry fee to \$20.00 - motion from the floor for \$20 by Shai, seconded by Cara

Changes to website (must be done by January 15, 2025) - no exceptions

***Maisha will send in a new rabbit intro.

Showworks will be live February 15, 2025-March 15, 2025

Division Books / Budgets

***you must all stay within the budget

Fundraising Ideas

***Janel suggested contacting the breweries in the summer to have fundraisers

***reach out to the other 4H groups and homeschool community to fundraise with us

Grants and Scholarship Committees (available during youth fair to review applications) - gather names

for committee later

Sponsorships and Grants for youth fair (Heather Oostra)

Auction

***4H raffle baskets again; possibility of a live auction again

Election of officers -

New Officers:

**President: Monica Henken **Secretary: Caitlyn Olson **Vice-President: Theresa Greenwood

**Treasurer: Shannon Oneill

Next Meeting January 22, 2025 Church Road Fire Hall 7 pm Submitted by : Monica Henken