



Fairgrounds Advisory Board Minutes

Monday, April 21, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 4:59pm with the following Fairgrounds Board members in attendance:

Board Members Present: Geri Cardenas, Hank Davis, Robert Desmarias, Gin Learned, Dorothy Elsner, Monique Brigham, Kristen Keltz

Staff Members and Representatives: Aric Gaither, Frances Negranza

Board Discussion:

Introductions

Advisory Board members each shared their background and interest for their involvement in the Fair Board.

General Overview

Discussed general overview of fairgrounds organizational, staff and advisory board history.

- Shared Fairgrounds mission, aims and purposes with potential to update and/or add a mission statement
- Discussed difference between Fairgrounds Advisory Board and Skagit County Fairgrounds Foundation and associated roles
- Update on current capital project: Replacement of the main restroom facility on the fairgrounds
- Discussed future capital projects and processes
- Operational and staff changes over the past 15 years
- History of Fair funding

Adjourn 6:40pm