



AGENDA SHEET

Board Meeting Date: **October 21, 2024**
Agenda Category: **Action Item**
Date of Agenda Sheet: **October 15, 2024**
Prepared and Presented By: **Coral Miller**

SUBJECT: Request to consider applicants to fill Fair Board vacancies.

SUMMARY: The terms of three Fair Board members (Duston Harris, Eileen Sheets, and Klayton Costanzo) expired on October 15, 2024. These three positions will need to be filled from a pool of seven individuals, including six new applicants and one existing Board member requesting a reappointment.

DISCUSSION: Article II, Section 5 of the Fair Board Second Amended Bylaws (2017) indicates that the BOCC shall fill vacancies on the Fair Board by majority vote. Fair Board members Klayton Costanzo and Eileen Sheets resigned at the end of their terms and Duston Harris has requested reappointment for another three-year term. Additionally, we received six applications from Garfield County residents to serve on the board: Lisa Stoeber, Dan Niles, Stephanie May, Mackenzie Hano, Keshia Sheets, Luke Goolsby and Brackett Pollard. The Fairgrounds and Events Department advertised for Fair Board applications in two local newspapers twice, as well as posting on the County Fair Facebook page and website.

RECOMMENDATION: Consider the applicants/applications and letter of interest in renewal in order to fill the three positions.

ACTION REQUIRED: Vote at the next BOCC meeting on November 4, 2024.

Attached: Please see six applications attached and one renewal letter.

Coral Miller

From: duston harris <duston79@msn.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 11, 2024 9:42 PM
To: Coral Miller
Cc: Fred Jarman
Subject: Re: Fair Board Term - RESPONSE REQUIRED

Dear Commissioners,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to respectfully request your consideration for my reappointment as a member of the Garfield County Fair Board. It has been a privilege to serve on the board, and I believe my continued involvement will further benefit the success of our county fair.

During my time on the board, I have worked diligently to contribute to the fair's growth and improvement. I am passionate about serving our community and ensuring the fair remains an event that reflects the best of Garfield County's agricultural heritage and spirit. I am excited about the possibility of continuing to work alongside my fellow board members to make the fair even more successful in the coming years.

Thank you for your time and consideration of my request. I look forward to the opportunity to continue serving Garfield County in this capacity.

Sincerely,
Duston Harris
Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 11, 2024, at 4:03 PM, Coral Miller <cmiller@garfield-county.com> wrote:

Hello Duston,

As discussed at the last FB meeting, your term for Fair Board is expiring. Thank you so much for your contribution to the success of the Garfield County Fair.

Garfield County needs a response in writing if you will be resigning your seat or requesting reappointment.

In order to have adequate time to advertise and receive applications....

Please respond to this email by Monday September 16, 2024, on your decision.

Thank you,
Coral Miller
Fairgrounds and Events Manager

Garfield County Fair Board

Description Area

APPLY TO BE A FAIR BOARD MEMBER -.Please help us get to know you. In an effort to match your talent, skills, experience, and personal interests with the needs of the Fair Board, we request that you provide us with the following information. Please submit your completed application to by October 11, 2024, at 5 p.m. Upon submission, a copy will be provided to Garfield County Fairgrounds Manager Coral Miller with the date and time included, and will also be copied to your provided email address.

Fair Board applicant

Name

Brackett Pollard

Address

6875 County Road 233
Silt , CO 81652

Mobile phone

(970) 379-7729

Email

pollardbrackett@gmail.com

Current or most recent work experience - include time frame, employer, title and duties

ANB Bank Glenwood Springs
June 2022- Present
Commercial and Agricultural Lender
Vice President
Manage Relationships within the bank. Work primary with commercial customers locally
Agricultural Portfolio across 3 states.

Also, Active in family owned cattle operation

Second most recent work experience - include time frame, employer, title and duties

Pollard Livestock INC
Owner
2011 to present
Day to day operations of cow calf/ backgrounding operation located in Silt

Education and training - schools, locations, time frame, degree or diploma

Rifle High School diploma

Colorado State University Bachelors Degree in Agricultural Business

Oklahoma State University Master in Entrepreneurship emphasis in finance

Personal or work references

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First reference - name

John Ward

First reference address

ANB Bank Aspen

First reference relationship

Mountain Region President

First reference phone

(970) 948-8104

Second reference name

Leah Bergner

Second reference address

Garfield County Fair Board

Community service

Tell us a bit about why you are interested in being on the Fair Board:

I would like to give back to my community and be involved with a board that has a large impact on the county in which i was born and raised. Further, I believe members of production agriculture should have strong representation on the board.

What areas of expertise, skills or strengths might you have to help the board and the fair?

Banking
Agriculture
Budget analysis

What do you feel the fair brings to our community, citizens and youth?

The fair is the highlight of the summer. It brings the community together on an annual basis reuniting old friend and building new networks.

it is a chance for Citizens to see the rich heritage of Garfield County

For the youth it provided an opportunity to grow as i have witness personally as well as watching my children

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Verification of application and accuracy

Have you ever been convicted in a court of law of a felony or a crime of dishonesty, violence, domestic violence, or any crime of a sexual nature? If yes, full details will be requested at a later date. No

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Potential board member

Brackett Pollard

Date/Time

Oct 11, 2024 12:37 PM

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Fair Board applicant

Name	Luke Goolsby A
Address	51 cedar drive Silt, CO 81652
Mobile phone	(970) 618-1082
Email	luke5goolsby5@gmail.com
Current or most recent work experience - include time frame, employer, title and duties	I currently work for Martinez western. I am there lead equipment operator. I've been in excavation all my life.
Second most recent work experience - include time frame, employer, title and duties	I had my own hot shoting buisness
Education and training - schools, locations, time frame, degree or diploma	High school diploma

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First reference - name	Bill Collins
First reference relationship	Uncle
First reference phone	(970) 618-3209
Second reference name	Danny Martinez
Second reference relationship	Employer

Second reference phone

(970) 989-5359

Community service

Tell us a bit about why you are interested in being on the Fair Board:

I would like to be on the Garfield County Fair Board because I think I would be a good asset. When I say I would be a good asset I mean that I am young and I have fresh ideas. I would not want to change things as I do not like change but I do feel like I have fresh ideas and a new perspective. My kids are involved in 4-H and I do appreciate the program and would like to be involved in the organization of that, if that is where I am needed. I would like to help organize events and activities regarding the fairgrounds etc. I am a positive member of the community and would like to offer more of my help and to be more involved and joining the fair board would further my help in the community!

What areas of expertise, skills or strengths might you have to help the board and the fair?

My main expertise would consist of construction, farming, and I've worked for the city of New Castle doing their irrigation. I feel like I could help with a number of things. If for some reason there was equipment to be operated I would be helpful, if there is something involving personal relations I could do that. I was in FFA and have seen the ins and outs of that all my life and would have some input if it were needed.

What do you feel the fair brings to our community, citizens and youth?

I feel like the fair brings kids together, it offers an opportunity to bring the kids up in a community where they feel accomplished. The kids who raise livestock learn responsibility, pride in their project, respect for an animal, and raising good quality meat for the consumer. I feel this shows the community a different outlook on livestock and what it does for our youth and our farming industry. I feel that it brings our community together, our local businesses help support the kids in their endeavors. With all of this it brings our community together. The fair also brings family fun for those outside of a livestock or farming and ranching lifestyle out into the community to watch the rodeos or the livestock shows, demo derby and bringing families and friends together.

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Potential board member

Luke Goolsby

Date/Time

Oct 03, 2024 08:02 PM

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Fair Board applicant

Name

Keshia Sheets

Address

264 county road 338
Parachute, CO 81535

Mobile phone

(970) 618-7161

Email

keshiasheets@yahoo.com

Current or most recent work experience - include time frame, employer, title and duties

D?TERRA wellness advocate 13 years
4K Taxidermy owner 5 years

Second most recent work experience - include time frame, employer, title and duties

Realtor 10 years

Education and training - schools, locations, time frame, degree or diploma

Highschool diploma Ranum Highschool

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First reference - name

Trish Worley

First reference address

Silt, CO 81652

First reference relationship

Friend

First reference phone

(970) 274-1404

Second reference name

Annie Macgregor

Second reference address Rifle, CO 81650

Second reference relationship Friend

Second reference phone (970) 620-2486

Community service

Tell us a bit about why you are interested in being on the Fair Board: I served over 20 years ago and loved it. Had to step down when I was pregnant with our son and Jim Sheets (my uncle) took my spot. I would love to expand the fair and attract more towns than just Rifle. I would love to draw all of Garfield county and make it a well known county fair that people travel to come be apart of.

What areas of expertise, skills or strengths might you have to help the board and the fair? I am knee deep into rodeo as a former team roper, son the rides bulls and daughter who barrel races we know first hand how rodeos should be. I also used to run the Garfield County Royalty. I am good at marketing and promoting on social media. Love the livestock community.

What do you feel the fair brings to our community, citizens and youth? It brings everyone together no matter who you are we all enjoy a great county fair. I would say one word "unity"

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Potential board member Keshia Sheets

Date/Time Sep 30, 2024 04:25 PM

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Fair Board applicant

Name Mackenzie A Hano

Address 634 County Road 228
Silt, CO 81652

Mobile phone (970) 456-5522

Email mhano@garfieldre2.net

Current or most recent work experience - include time frame, employer, title and duties

I am currently employed by the Garfield RE-2 School District as a 7th grade Social Studies teacher at Rifle Middle School. I have been in this position for three years, starting in August 2021. My duties include developing lesson plans, teaching students about historical events and cultures, assessing student progress, and collaborating with other educators to create an engaging learning environment. In addition, I serve as the freshman volleyball coach at Rifle High School, where I focus on developing skills and teamwork among the players during my first year in this role. Furthermore, I am also entering my second year as the girls' basketball coach at Rifle Middle School, where I am dedicated to promoting sportsmanship and physical fitness.

Education and training - schools, locations, time frame, degree or diploma

I graduated from Rifle High School in 2017. After completing high school, I attended college for a brief period before transferring to Grand Canyon University. This October, I will be graduating with a Bachelor's degree in Arts and History. My educational journey has been enriching, and I am excited to apply my knowledge in the field.

Personal or work references

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First reference - name	Jessica Wilson
First reference address	New Castle, CO
First reference relationship	Supervisor
First reference phone	(970) 366-0583
Second reference name	Jenny Nipper
Second reference address	New Castle, CO
Second reference relationship	Supervisor
Second reference phone	(970) 355-4130

Community service

Tell us a bit about why you are interested in being on the Fair Board:

I am interested in being on the Fair Board because I believe that the fair is essential for bringing our community together. I have volunteered at several local events and have seen how much joy they bring to families and individuals. I am particularly passionate about promoting local agriculture and supporting our farmers, as they play a vital role in our economy. I want to help plan events that celebrate our community's rich history and culture while also providing educational opportunities for younger generations. Being on the Fair Board would allow me to contribute my organizational skills and creativity to make our fair a memorable experience for everyone.

What areas of expertise, skills or strengths might you have to help the board and the fair?

I possess strong organizational skills and communication which will greatly benefit the board and the fair. My experience in coordinating events has equipped me with the ability to manage timelines, allocate resources efficiently, and lead teams to achieve common goals. I have successfully organized various community events, ensuring that each detail is meticulously planned and executed, resulting in positive feedback from participants and stakeholders. Furthermore, my problem-solving abilities allow me to navigate challenges effectively, ensuring that the fair runs smoothly and meets the expectations of our community. In addition to my organizational skills, I have a passion for community engagement and outreach. I have developed effective communication strategies that encourage participation and foster collaboration among diverse groups. My strengths in building relationships will aid in cultivating partnerships with local businesses and organizations, ensuring the fair's sustainability and success in the long term.

What do you feel the fair brings to our community, citizens and youth?

The upcoming fair brings immense value to our community, citizens, and youth. It fosters a sense of togetherness that strengthens community bonds and promotes local businesses, showcasing the rich culture that makes our area unique. Events like these create a welcoming space for families and friends to come together, share experiences, and celebrate our diverse backgrounds. The fair not only offers entertainment but also serves as a platform for local artisans, farmers, and entrepreneurs to highlight their products and services, boosting the local economy. For our youth, the fair serves as a fantastic opportunity for learning and engagement. It allows them to explore new interests, whether it's through participating in 4-H programs, trying out new activities, or volunteering in various capacities. My own experiences in the 4-H and royalty programs have shown me how valuable these opportunities can be. Young people develop essential social skills, build confidence, and form lasting friendships. The fair truly enriches their lives by promoting engagement in the community and helping them discover passions that could shape their futures.

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Potential board member

Mackenzie Hano

Date/Time

Sep 26, 2024 11:00 AM

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Fair Board applicant

Name	Stephanie May
Address	1273 E 18th Way Rifle, CO 81650
Mobile phone	(970) 404-1400
Email	travisteph06@gmail.com
Current or most recent work experience - include time frame, employer, title and duties	State Farm- Office Manager December 2014-present Insurance sales, customer service, employee management
Education and training - schools, locations, time frame, degree or diploma	Rifle High 2002 CNCC Rangely- 2002-2003

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First reference - name	Larry McCown
First reference address	804 Mesa Dr Rifle, CO 81650
First reference relationship	Personal Friend
First reference phone	(970) 379-1405
Second reference name	Jesse Dalton
Second reference address	431 E 10th St Rifle, CO 81650

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Potential board member

Stephanie May

Date/Time

Oct 01, 2024 02:30 PM

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Fair Board applicant

Name Dan Niles Dan Niles

Address 314 Roundtree RD
Rifle, CO 81650

Mobile phone (970) 930-2800

Email dan@nilesaudiousa.com

Current or most recent work experience - include time frame, employer, title and duties I own a small audio video company

Second most recent work experience - include time frame, employer, title and duties Colorado energy systems sub contractor for solar and generator work.

Education and training - schools, locations, time frame, degree or diploma I graduated high school in rural eastern Colorado in 1997 and went on to graduate college at Colorado mountain college with an associates in criminal justice in 2000

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First reference - name Leah Bergenger Leah

First reference address Bergenger

First reference relationship Friend

Second reference name Steve Hauquitz Steve

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Fair Board applicant

Name	Lisa Stoeber
Address	510 Aspen Ave RIFLE, CO 81650
Mobile phone	17195883975
Email	lisastoeber@ymail.com
Current or most recent work experience - include time frame, employer, title and duties	Balcomb & Green, P.C. - Paralegal - 3 1/2 years employed - assisting attorneys with day to day needs such as drafting documents, keeping clients updated and cases current, coordinating with individuals for meetings, understanding current laws and statutes.
Second most recent work experience - include time frame, employer, title and duties	State of Colorado, Judicial Branch - District Court Judicial Assistant - 6 1/2 years - in Boulder and Garfield County - assist district court judge with calendaring, entering correct codes to keep cases accurate, assisting the judge with case management.
Education and training - schools, locations, time frame, degree or diploma	Bachelors in Business Management and minor in Marketing - Adams State University - 2011

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First reference - name	Sara Stoeber
First reference address	8078 CR 107 Mosca, CO 81146
First reference relationship	Step Mom

First reference phone	(832) 585-7750
Second reference name	Andie Hall
Second reference address	Glenwood Springs, CO 81601
Second reference relationship	Associate Attorney / Coworker
Second reference phone	(505) 603-7058

Community service

Tell us a bit about why you are interested in being on the Fair Board: Growing up, I was involved in 4-H the second I was old enough. I showed sheep and participated in clothing projects which I was Grand Champion and State Qualified for almost every year. I showed steers for 2 years, which I absolutely loved because of all the hard work and dedication it took to make my animal look good. Then as a freshman I joined FFA (Sangre de Cristo chapter). The amount of learning I received such as public speaking, organization, respect, and excitement for ag will never be replaced. My dad was the fair board president for 4 years in Alamosa/Rio Grande County. Even though I could tell it was extremely hard work, I could also tell how important it was for him to have a successful fair for the kids involved. I have always wanted to get back into this community to help organize an event that I find is so important for the kids to learn how to work hard and continue to be dedicated in their passions. I also believe it's important to have a successful fair to show the kids that aren't involved that they too can participate.

What areas of expertise, skills or strengths might you have to help the board and the fair? Organization
Commitment
Timely
Passion

What do you feel the fair brings to our community, citizens and youth? Hard work
Dedication
Excitement
Rewarding
Traditions

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Potential board member

Lisa Stoeber

Date/Time

Oct 08, 2024 08:57 AM
