Members Present: Faron Wahl, Jo Beal, Denise Muntefering, Justin Bell, Scott Cordts, Amanda Stade, Judy Stevens, Dusty Anderson, Sherman Gose, and Kevin Hofer.

Members Absent: Erin Yost, and Jamie White.

Department Staff Present: Peggy Besch, Candi Briley, and Amanda Lowery.

Others Present: David Smith.

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Faron Wahl called the meeting to order. The roll call was called, and a quorum was present.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Muntefering made a motion; seconded by Gose to approve the agenda; motion carried by roll call vote.
3. **Approval of Minutes/Work Sessions:** Anderson made a motion; seconded by Stevens to approve the minutes/works sessions as outlined below in a batch; motion carried by roll call vote.
4. August 28, 2024
5. August 29, 2024
6. August 30, 2024
7. August 31, 2024
8. September 2, 2024
9. **Public Comment Period:** None. However, Besch did introduce Amanda Lowery who is the new Vendor Coordinator. The current Vendor Coordinator, Julie Kroupenske, will be retiring early December.
10. **SHED Update:** Besch stated the 4-H Beef Exhibits Building has been prepped to be relocated south of the DEX. There has been a delay in the project waiting for a contractor to provide information related to the ground, dirt, testing, and elevations. We hope to see some progress by the end of week.
11. **2024 SD State Fair:** 
    1. Measurable Outcomes:
       * Gross sales: Over $3.2 million, 20% increase.
       * Sales tax revenue: $266,352, 19.5% increase.
       * Gate attendance: 186,255, 4.5% increase (note: Wednesday’s attendance (previous years known as Preview Day) has always been counted in overall attendance numbers).
    2. Wrap-up Notes, Comments, Observations: Members briefly reviewed comments from building superintendents and staff that included observations, suggestions for consideration for next year’s fair, wish list, and maintenance items. State Fair staff will review the overall report to determine action items and assign them accordingly.
12. **2025 SD State Fair:** 
    1. Dates: August 27 – September 1, 2025 (140th Anniversary)
    2. Seasonal Employment Vacancies: Besch stated there are several superintendent positions open including Camping, Horizons Hall, Grandstand Tickets, and Trollies. Besch also mentioned she will be posting the Events Service Coordinator position soon which is a full-time position.
13. **Commissioner or Manager Reports:** 
    1. Besch mentioned some upcoming maintenance and repair projects including roof replacement on Dakotaland Museum and the Dairy Barn, Tap Haus siding replacement, and possible upgrades to some of the campgrounds with water and sewer.
    2. Cordts mentioned for Football at the Fair next year we will have to do something different as the SDSU game is a week later.
    3. Stade mentioned 4H was much more firm on enforcing policies which will continue. She also noted the need to discuss the livestock release process and the Nordby Hall ovens.
    4. Gohn mentioned to explore the possibilities of moving livestock trailer parking to Mountain Dew and Pepsi softball and soccer fields.
    5. Anderson mentioned he recently attended the Aksarben Livestock Show in Grand Island, NE. Livestock check-in was all handled on-site using ShoWorks program. He asked if this is something we consider since we use other aspects of ShoWorks already. It was extremely efficient.

1. **Executive Session:** None.
2. **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, December 17, 1 PM
3. **Adjourned.**