

**Paisley Mosquito Festival
Planning Meeting
Minutes of February 26, 2024**

1. **Call to Order** The planning meeting for the 2024 Paisley Mosquito Festival was called to order by Missy Walton at 4:05 pm on February 26, 2024.
2. **Interest** Missy asked the assembled group how much interest they felt there was in continuing the festival. And whether they felt we would be able to gather the bodies needed to cover events. The consensus being the festival needed to continue and yes, we would be able to get everything covered. Missy stated there are a number of people that have contacted her saying they are willing to help but could not be here tonight.
3. **Events** Stu talked about bringing in entertainment and holding a beer garden/dance. At first the group thought doing a one-day event would be best, but in talking about the beer garden and dance decided maybe holding that Friday night would be better as a kickoff for the festival and would not take away from whatever the Saloon wants to do for Saturday night. It was agreed we need to talk with John Steffes. Stu will also do the announcing for the festival.

Having a BBQ vs food trucks was discussed. Most agree the BBQ is a big draw. Jenn Douglas said her husband Mike would be willing to oversee the BBQ. Both he and Rob Owens have large smokers they may be willing to use. Someone will also talk with Craig DeLarm.

VIPs will sponsor the parade. Bringing back the Paisley Pioneer(s) and the Miss Quito was discussed.

We would like to bring back the car show. John Harms will talk to Desert Cruisers.

Jenn will work on the advertising.

Missy will oversee the vendors. Housing some vendors in the community center was discussed.

Will contact Lora Mayea about a quilt show, to be held in the Community Church or church hall. Also need to contact Goose Tracks out of Lakeview.

A fishing derby for the kids was brought up. We need to talk to ODFW and the fish farm in Summer Lake about a portable unit.

3 on 3 basketball, 4H petting zoo, display of Life Flight or helicopter, Fun Run, were also discussed. We will need someone to oversee the events.

Mitch will oversee games for kids and adults.

Jenn is willing to do the t-shirts again. Different ways of doing them were discussed along with a suggestion of doing pre-orders till May 31 to cut down on having a large excess at the end of the event.

4. **Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

Next Meeting: Next Planning Meeting for the Mosquito Festival will be held March 18th, 2024 @ 4:30 pm at Paisley Community Center.