

Minutes: *****

President Richard Parker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

VISITORS:

4-H EXTENTION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE: Lisa Siciliano-Miller said that the All Advisor Prefair meeting will be on Monday, July 29 at 6:30 pm. Lisa wanted to know if there is anything needed to be made note of for the prefair meeting. Cindy Woodman said that since the barns are being disinfected, we ask that no animals come in before 10:00 am on Sunday before fair. No decorating should be done before then either. Parking should also be discussed.

- 4-H is not going to do the Garage Sale but will be doing a Walk-A-Thon. Date to be announced.

-The theme for fair is: Come Alive Outside.

-Lisa handed out camp information, which will be the week of July 21.

-Lisa also notified us that there will be 2 new advisors, 2 new clover buds and 1 clover bud will be removed for the list due to being too young. There are 5 clubs that are outstanding in enrollment fees. They have until July 1st to pay or will be removed from the list.

MINUTES: Jerry Merhar made a motion to approve the minutes of May 2. Joe Slansky seconded. All in favor and minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Accounts receivable report: Joe Slansky made a motion to approve the financial report. Jerry Merhar seconded. All in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE: Michelle Byram announced that we received a thank you from Alexa Roberts, recipient of the Arthur F. Warren scholarship.

- Michelle Byram said that we also received four different requests for donations: Perry Fall Festival Chinese Auction, Breast Cancer Awareness Chinese Auction, Perry Historical Society Chinese Auction and the Irish Setter Club of Ohio Raffle. Bob Dawson made a motion to donate a family four pack of tickets for fair to each group. Mike Peplowski seconded it. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS: Membership: Dick Parker announced that membership tickets are still available.

- Premium Books: Steve Andow said that the Premium Book is going to print. He said that this year, one book per household would be sent out. Books will be available in the office if someone needs more than one.

- VLT: Bob Dawson said that we will receive another \$15,100 from the Racino Proceeds. They have been mailed out and we should receive it soon.

School Calendar vs. Fair Dates: Bob Dawson stated that Perry had a meeting studying the dates of school starting. Wade, Bob and Lenny attended the meeting. The school listened to what they had to say about the start dates of school conflicting with the fair dates. A decision was made to move up the start dates of the school year starting in 2014. This still needs to be approved by the school board. In 2014 they will start the day before fair and will have Thursday and Friday off. In 2015, it will be a bigger problem, as they will start school the week before fair. Bob said that this would probably happen with other schools. He suggested that a study committee be put together to research this. If we move the date of fair, this needs to be done well over a year in advance. The committee also should consider looking into a Saturday auction. Most fairs that have changed theirs to a weekend have benefited on moving the day.

-CDBG Bleachers: Bob Dawson said that the bleachers area in and paid for.

Lamar Contract: Bob Dawson gave a recommendation to consider for a new contract. This will be tabled until we hear back from Lamar on their progress with the township.

NEW BUSINESS: Bucket Truck: Bob Dawson announced that the fairgrounds received a bucket truck donated by the Illuminating Company. This was delivered to the fairgrounds and donated on May 30. This truck will be beneficial to us.

- Hall of Fame: Bob Dawson said that there are three nominations for the Hall of Fame: Richard Parker, John Kroh and Bob Nichols. Jerry Merhar made a motion to approve all three nominations for the Hall of Fame. Dave Wilcox seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion approved.

-PERSO Loss Control: Michelle Byram stated that Public Entity Risk Services of Ohio Loss Control representative came out and made only two recommendations. The emergency lighting in the fair office did not work when tested and in Barn 28 there was a sign on the front of the fire extinguisher box blocking the extinguisher. The batteries have been replaced in the lights and a notice was sent to the barn Lessor to notify them to move the sign. Also the Statement of Action Taken was completed and sent back to PERSO to let them know of the actions taken.

COMMITTEES:

-Advertising-Publicity: Bob Dawson said that the budget is still in motion. Rock Auto will be supplying wristbands for the pits and grandstands during fair. Shawn Brewster did a jingle for the fair. We will promote this as much as possible before and during fair.

-Concessions: Cindy Woodman said that a new tent company has been secured for fair. Please let her know what your needs are so that permits can be pulled.

-Entertainment: Joe Slansky said it is coming along. Online ticket sales should kick off soon for the Friday and Saturday night entertainment of fair. Joe also announced that there would be a corn hole tournament. This will take place Friday and Saturday with the finals being held on Sunday during fair.

-Garage Sale: Mel Heinz said that everything went smoothly and probably the best one so far. \$5987.50 was made on the sale.

-Gates & Tickets: Mike Peplowski said that South is not doing the gates this year. They have enough people to handle the beer sales, but not the gates. He is looking into a few different groups for the gates.

-Jr. Fair: Chuck Shultz said that they have received a notice for the Mardi Gras Parade and wanted to know if they had permission to do it again. Instead of using the People Mover, they may have banners on pick up trucks instead since there is not a need for the People Mover. The board gave the go ahead to participate in the parade.

-Parade: Joe Slansky said everything is going good for the parade. The Grand Marshall will be the recipient of the 2013 Lake County Fair Queen.

-Rentals: Jerry Merhar said that the Irish Festival would be June 28 - 30.

-Rings: Ryan Babcock said that he put up a couple new sponsors on the rails.

-Schools: Steve Andow

-Volunteers: Jerry Merhar

OTHER MATTERS: Michelle Byram announced that if directors need judge's information to be sent out to let her know so that she can get this done.

-John Kroh announced that someone has been hired to disinfect the barns and wash racks before fair.

Jerry Merhar made a motion to read and pay bills. Seconded by Ryan Babcock; the motion passed.

Wade Crofoot moved that the meeting be adjourned. Jerry Merhar seconded this motion. It passed, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Byram
Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, July 11 @ 7:30 p.m.