



LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

DIRECTORS SIGN-IN SHEET

August 1, 2013

<i>Lang Jolley</i>	<i>Michael Reynolds</i>	<i>Janet</i>
<i>Candy Woodman</i>	<i>Richard Parker</i>	<i>Jerry Merhar</i>
<i>Joe</i>	<i>Bill</i>	<i>John Sidley</i>
<i>Bob</i>	<i>Wally</i>	<i>John PK</i>
<i>John</i>	<i>John</i>	
<i>John</i>	<i>Jagki Wilson</i>	
<i>S. Adams</i>	<i>S. Adams</i>	

Caretaker: *David C Newson*

Concessions: _____

Auxiliary: _____

4-H Extension Rep: _____

Minutes: August 1, 2013

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

VISITORS: Dr. Rob Schwartz - Dr Schwartz said that the Strangles issue is under control. The Ohio 4-H Extension said that Saddle Horse doesn't have the right to make medical decisions. The vaccine was not required by himself or the fair board, therefore the vaccine will not be required by 4-H to attend fair. Dr. Rob continued to say that those that did receive the vaccine made a good decision in doing so. He said that barn 20 has been disinfected and all will be done before fair. Not much has been said about the H3N2 this year. He wanted to remind us that fairgoers still need to be careful around livestock. It was recommended at the Fair Vet Meeting that hogs be checked on a daily basis by having their temperature taken.

- Boy Scouts Tim Valentine and Mike Trumbull came to introduce themselves to us. They will be new in the roles of picking up trash and wanted to let us know that they will be available whenever needed.

4-H EXTENTION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE: Lisa Siciliano-Miller said that she would have her cell phone on her during fair so that she can be contacted if needed. They will have coverage of the 4-H Building all day during fair. No hot foot will be served after 7:00 pm. Randy Zondag was also in attendance and gave his cell number incase he needs to be reached during fair. It is 440-477-6446.

MINUTES: Georgianne Adams made a motion to approve the minutes. Jerry Merhar seconded. All in favor and minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: There were no finances to report.

CORRESPONDENCE: Michelle Byram announced that we received a thank you from New Avenues to Independence for the donation of four tickets to fair for their Chinese auction.

OLD BUSINESS: Memberships - Richard Parker reminded all directors that memberships need to be purchased and on file. There are a few that are still outstanding. He stated that next year, he would like to have them by January.

- Lamar. Richard Parker said that the meeting that Lamar is to attend with Zoning Board is on the opening day of fair and he will not be able to attend. He has submitted a letter letting them know that we support their request for a digital board on fairgrounds property. There is also a counter proposal that was sent to Lamar for \$12,000 for the first five years and \$14,000 the second five years.

- Attorney General s' Opinion (Alcohol): Bob Dawson reported that the Ohio Fair Manager's Association, on behalf of Ohio's Fairs, had prevailed in an Attorney General Opinion relative to the purchase and sale of alcohol products by fairs and/or on fairgrounds by a lessee. The State Auditor's Office requested the AG Opinion(s) claiming the purchase and resale of alcohol products "with public funds" and the sale of alcohol on "public" fairgrounds (proper) was not legal. Fairs prevailed on all questions raised by the Auditor's Office with the caveat that the practice must be allowed by the Agricultural Society's Constitution or By-Laws. Bob indicated the proper wording would be an agenda item at the Annual Meeting scheduled for October.

- Schedule of Events: Steve Andow said that they are complete and we should have them Monday or Tuesday.

- Ribbons: Michelle Byram reminded the directors that if they need ribbons counted to let the office know.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Boy Scouts Rate Increase: Michelle Byram informed the board that we received a rate increase request from the Boy Scouts for trash pick up during fair in the amount of \$400. Bob Dawson said that they have done a great job. He doesn't recall the last time that there was an increase. The discussion of getting more totes for the future needs to be addressed. Bob Dawson made a motion to honor the increase. Joe Slansky seconded. All were in favor.

- Insurance Proposal - Jerry Merhar said that he has reviewed the insurance proposal from Public Entities Pool of Ohio. He said that the cost has not increased. We did not receive a dividend last year but was informed that we will receive one this year. He said to get coverage for the bucket truck that we received for \$20,000. Jerry wondered if this was an ok amount. After discussion, it was decided that this is a good amount and that we should lower the smaller bucket truck to \$5000.

- October Meeting: Richard Parker wanted to change the date of the October meeting to the 2nd instead of the 3rd.

COMMITTEES:

-Advertising-Publicity: Bob Dawson said that we have picked up more sponsors since the last meeting. AT&T will be covering Veterans Day and Medical Service Co will be providing the Wheelchairs. The Demolition Derby and Entertainment Tent still need sponsors. Bob said that printed ads would be out next week.

-Cattle-Sheep-Swine-Goats: Rich Van Pelt said that he attended the livestock meeting and they had a couple of requests. They would like two porta potties by the livestock arena for the auction. They said too many people walk away to use the restroom. The board decided that this was probably not necessary. A request was made for a satellite beer to be up by the auction. It was decided that this would not be a good idea to have one there. Rich said that the milking parlor would be shipping milk this year. Locks need to be put on the door so that no one tampers with the milk. The inspector will want it locked. Milk pick up will be around 4 am. We will keep track of the weights of milk. The Fairboard will get a check for the milk. Dick Parker said that there was no discussion on how the funds will be distributed. Jerry Merhar and Doc Kroh thought that it would be split 50/50.

Bob Dawson thought that the premiums were increased and the money would offset the increase. Bob Dawson moved that this be tabled until we see what we receive. Cindy Woodman seconded it. All were in favor.

-Concessions: Cindy Woodman said that the tents have been ordered. There will be more changes on the midway.

-Decorations: Richard Parker said that decorating would take place on Thursday, August 8th.

-Fair Queen: Jackie Wilson said that there was a queen crowned this evening. Her name is Meradith Voegtler. The first runner up was Natalie Pachinger.

-Fine Arts: Jerry Merhar said that it is coming along.

-Foundation: Richard Parker said that a meeting would be held after the fair board meeting.

-Gates & Tickets: Mike Peplowski said that he is waiting to hear from the two groups.

-Golf Carts: Steve Andow said that the golf carts are scheduled to be delivered on Thursday, August 8. Signature forms will be the same except that we will be responsible for all the gas so be sure to use what you can before they go back. Mike Peplowski asked if we could enforce to not drive on the midway and don't go by the draft horses during hitch classes.

-Grounds: Bob Dawson said that work is going as planned. The last disinfecting will be done on next Friday. Bob said that we need to remind people using the barns to not wash off the protection. Richard Parker said to also remind them that they couldn't come in until Sunday. Bob said that Dave has the track in immaculate shape. Bob said that the electrical has been changed out from the quartz with halo lights. The savings is less than what was paid in three years. Ladies Auxiliary has paid for these lights.

-Draft Horse: Wade Crofoot said that we have a large number of draft horses coming to fair this year. Mr. Neman will not be coming to fair this year but there is a farm from PA with Clydesdales that will be coming.

-Saddle Horse: Cindy Woodman said that we have rearranged barn assignments. We will not need the back barn that they were required to leave early.

-Insurance: Jerry Merhar said that we need to look into increasing our liability from two to four million. It doesn't need to be done now, but should be looked into.

-Parking & Transportation: Mike Peplowski said that he needs tractor drivers.

-Police-Safety-First Aid: Dick Parker questioned if we have Cares this year for security. Dick will contact them tomorrow.

-Publications: Rich Van Pelt adopted the premium book as the rules of the fair for 2013. Jerry Merhar seconded. All were in favor.

-Rentals: Jerry Merhar announced that the Armory would be vacant. Mike Peplowski suggested considering if the building does not find a renter to rent it as heated storage.

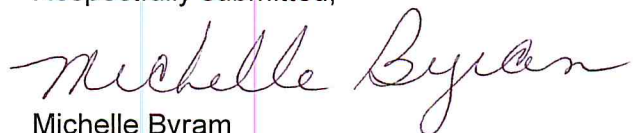
-Volunteers: Jerry Merhar will have seven serving

OTHER MATTERS:

Georgianne Adams made a motion to read and pay bills. Seconded by Jackie Wilson, the motion passed.

Cindy Woodman moved that the meeting be adjourned. Joe Slansky seconded this motion. It passed, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Byram
Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, August 8, 2013 @ 7:30 p.m.