



# LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

## DIRECTORS SIGN-IN SHEET

May 2, 2013

<i>R. Dawson</i>	<i>Mike G... </i>	<i>John R. K...</i>
Cindy Woodman	<i>Mel Hem</i>	
<i>Jerry Merker</i>	<i>Jackie Wilson</i>	
<i>M. Delanno</i>	<i>Kerry Gullis</i>	
<i>Joe Jay</i>	<i>Chris</i>	
<i>Jim J... </i>	<i>Dave...</i>	
<i>Bob</i>	<i>...</i>	

Caretaker: \_\_\_\_\_

Concessions: \_\_\_\_\_

Auxiliary: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Extension Rep: \_\_\_\_\_

### Minutes: May 2, 2013

President Richard Parker called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

**VISITORS:** Dave Marczak and Chris Avondet from Lamar Advertising attending the meeting. They said that they have enjoyed the partnership with the billboards on the fairgrounds. Part of the lease states upgrades are possible. Lamar would like to add a single digital panel to the billboard farthest east and facing westbound. This will bring more money to us. The lease would need to be updated. The current lease is a (5) year lease. They would like to change it to a (10) year lease. The upgrade in the fee would be two phased: one rate for five years and a second rate for the next five years. Bob Dawson said that he feels the increase that they are proposing doesn't seem like enough. Suggested maybe a base lease with incentives. Dave Marczak said that they are open for negotiation on it. Chris Avondet said that they based the rate on the amount of advertising there will be. The existing sign can support a digital panel. This can be controlled remotely from a computer and through the internet. It will be the same size as the current billboard. They will carry 6 different advertisements a minute on it. There is also availability for special alerts, such as Amber Alerts. They feel it would be profitable to have it there. They still need to meet with the Township but wanted our support before moving ahead on it. They would like to go as soon as they can. Cindy Woodman made a motion to send this to the rent committee for review. Bob Dawson feels this should be a board decision and not a committee decision and made a motion that we approve Lamar getting a review and approval of the board, with payment terms to follow. Cindy Woodman seconded this motion. All were in favor.

**4-H EXTENTION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE:** Lisa Siciliano-Miller brought the enrollment for the members and advisors. Membership is up from 366 last year to 421 this year. Advisors went from 82 to 97. Seven advisors may need to be added due to paperwork still being processed. They will be presented to us when and if they come in. There is one new club. This is a shooting club.

- Lisa wanted to review the food booth issue. She stated that it is how they raise money for 4-H. She was informed that basics could be sold but would like to request to also have hot dogs and healthy options available. She feels that these items would not affect the vendors. Dick Parker stated that we have caught a lot of flack from the concessionaires on the selling of the 4-H food, so the concession committee was trying to put the brakes on this. Dick said that he was contacted and told by someone in 4-H that this would not be able to be supported with the new person taking care of it. Lisa Siciliano-Miller agreed that it was underhanded the way it was presented to Dick, but it was not her doing and did not have her approval. She feels it is a smaller venue what they would like to do now and would like to continue with it. The sale of the food contributes to 25% of the income. Wade Crofoot said that it helps to defer the cost of the 4-H program. Mel Heinz said that 4-H has been around longer than the vendors have. Steve Andow suggested that we charge 4-H like we charge the vendors. Cindy Woodman didn't think that this would be fair to 4-H since this wouldn't be profitable to them to sell the items if they had to pay a vendor fee. Wade Crofoot made a motion that 4-H comes up with a menu and it be approved. Lisa said that they already have a menu of pop, water, chips, slushie machine, hot dogs, fruit cups, applesauce and yogurt. Wade rescinded on his motion and would like to accept the menu as presented by Lisa. Jackie Wilson seconded. All were in favor and motion carried.

- Lisa said that saddle horse had a meeting and agreed that all the 4-H horses will need to have the strangles vaccine by a vet prior to the prefair meeting. Cindy Woodman wanted to know if this was a unanimous decision. Lisa said that it was. She said that on behalf of saddle horse, they are trying to set up shows and were declined. They are planning on showing at Blue Lakes. All surrounding counties were contacted also.

- On November 3, 4-H will be having a Garage Sale at Perry Community Center. Any donations are welcome. They will be storing the items at the Ford Crandall Building and Lisa can be contacted regarding the sale.

**MINUTES:** Cindy Woodman stated the minutes from the April 4 were incorrect and should read that horses are to move out of barn 20, June 30th and not 45 days before fair. Jerry Merhar made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction. Georgianne Adams seconded. All in favor and minutes were approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Accounts receivable update: There is one outstanding rental and one outstanding storage. The four outstanding rails were removed from the accounts receivable list and will be removed from the rails. Cindy Woodman made a motion to have the outstanding rental from Patti Anchors taken to Small Claims Court. Wade Crofoot seconded. Motion carried. Georgianne Adams made a motion to approve the financial report. Jerry Merhar seconded. All in favor.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Michelle Byram announced that there was a donation request from Maple Elementary School for their Summer Reading Program and a request for donation of 21 like items for Mentor Memorial Science Olympiad Team. It was suggested that a family (4) pack of tickets for fair be donated to Maple Elementary and (21) participation ribbons be donated to the Olympiad Team. Georgianne Adams made a motion to approve the donation. Jerry Merhar seconded. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Dick Parker announced that Membership Tickets are available.

- Michelle Byram said that Premium Book changes are due and pictures can be taken if someone wants a change. The first draft has been received and will be reviewed for corrections.

- Michelle Byram announced that the recipient of the Arthur F. Warren Memorial Scholarship for 2013 is Alexa Roberts from Perry High School.

- Michelle Byram said that Bob Dawson had to leave the meeting early but he submitted in the packet information on the VLT Funds.

- Wade Crofoot said that they met with the Perry representatives on the 2014-2015 school year calendar. It looks as though they will be moving forward with changing their schedule and it will reflect on the fair dates.

- Dick Parker said that the CDBG Bleachers have been delivered and are installed and should be almost complete for inspection.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Ohio Coop Purchasing - Bob Dawson left an email for the packet regarding the Ohio Coop Purchasing Program and County Agricultural Societies and it states that they would be eligible to participate in the cooperative purchasing program.

**COMMITTEES:**

**-Entertainment:** Joe Slansky announced that the entertainment is being finalized. For Friday evening the band will be Breakfast Club. This will be sponsored by Q104. Tickets will be \$6 prepaid grandstand and \$10 track seating. Day of show price will be \$8 grandstand and \$12 track side seating. On Saturday night, the band will be Jonah Koslen from The Michael Stanley Band with Butch Armstrong Bear Cat. The sponsor will be 98.5, WNCX Radio. Tickets for this will be slightly higher. Announcements will kick off the first of June by the stations. This will be on four different radio stations.

**-Entertainment: Tent:** - Jerry Merhar said that Nelson is on board with the Latino Day on Sunday

**OTHER MATTERS:** Joe Slansky said that a map is being updated on the fairgrounds.

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

Jerry Merhar 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, June 6, 2013 @ 7:30 p.m.**