



LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

DIRECTORS SIGN-IN SHEET

July 10, 2014

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Caretaker: _____

Concessions: _____

Auxiliary: _____

4-H Extension Rep: _____

Minutes: *****

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

VISITORS:

4-H EXTENTION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE: Lisa Siciliano-Miller reported that there is mixed feeling on date chance for fair. Livestock had the greatest concern.

-Lisa informed the Board that Susie Mettler had passed away. Livestock would like to auction her pig and lamb at fair and then donate the proceeds to Wags 4 Kids.

-The advisory committee has fliers for the tractor. They have decided not to sell tickets but to auction it off at the livestock auction.

- The Prefair meeting will be on July 28.

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

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Accounts receivable report: Michelle Byram reported the financial statements for the month of June. Bob Dawson made a motion to approve the financial report. Joe Slansky seconded. All in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS: Memberships: Dick Parker reminded all directors to encourage friends and family to become members.

-2015 Fair Dates: There was much discussion among the Fair Board on changing the dates of fair. After pros and cons were weighed out, Jerry Merhar made a motion to leave the fair dates as

they are. Ryan Babcock seconded the motion. All were in favor. The 2015 fair dates will be August 18 – 23.

-Hall of Fame: Bob Dawson reported that attached in the packet is the Hall of Fame nominees write up.

NEW BUSINESS: Grandstand Smoking: Bob Dawson reported that several complaints were received the past few years regarding people smoking in the grandstands and bleachers. Bob recommended that a no smoking policy be put into place. Jerry Merhar suggested making a designated smoking area. Cindy Woodman stated that a designated area is not required, just post no smoking in grandstands. Jerry Merhar made a motion to prohibit smoking in the grandstands and bleachers and create a smoking section in the grassy area. Bob Dawson seconded. The majority of the Fair Board was in favor and the motion passed. Signs will be posted at the ticket booths and various other places stating something on the line of: No smoking in the grandstands. Smoking in designated areas only.

- Electrical Contract: Bob Dawson reported that the scope of the electrical contractor and correspondence is included in the packet. The contract is with Chapman Electric.

- Judges Contracts: Michelle Byram reminded the Board that if they want judges contracts made up, to get them to her. Also any hotel reservations need to be given to her.

- Schedule of Events: Michelle Byram reported that a preliminary list of SOE is in the packet for the directors to review. Changes and/or additions need to be into the office by Monday, July 14 in order to be in the SOE handed out at fair.

- Office Hours: Michelle Byram included the additional office hours for fair in the packet for the Board.

COMMITTEES:

-Advertising-Publicity: Bob Dawson reported that the following sponsors have been secured; Asa Cox for Senior Day and AT&T for Veterans Day. The Farm Bureau will be sponsoring half of the Demo Derby. The bus signs are up. Eric Paslay is listed as Friday instead of Thursday and this is in the process of being corrected. Bob Dawson passed out the digital billboard information.

-Cattle-Sheep-Swine-Goats: Rich Van Pelt reported he was contacted by Becky Gee that she will be bringing 16 heads of cattle to fair but without a 4-H club and was interested in running the Milking Parlor. It was decided that Steve Ohmes will run the Milking Parlor. We will deal with the same processor as last year. The glass pipe in the parlor needs to be checked to see if it needs replaced.

-**Concessions:** Cindy Woodman reported that she will be ordering tents tomorrow and needs any changes.

-**Culinary-Farm-Dairy:** Dave Wilcox reported that the Wine judging will be changed to Tuesday at 2:00 pm. due to a conflict.

-**Entertainment:** Joe Slansky reported that all is set. He spoke with Jeremy and people are excited that the Demolition Derby will be on Saturday. Jeremy also told him there will be a Power Wheel race before the Demo Derby for little ones. Jerry Merhar reported that the Voice of the Fair will announce the day change. Joe also reported that O'Reilly Auto would like to set up a truck to promote the Truck Pulls.

-**Fair Queen:** Michelle Byram reported that there were 10 candidates for Fair Queen. Interviews were held on June 28. The Queens' Reception will be held on Sunday, August 3 at Hellriegels between 2:00 and 4:00.

-**Fine Arts:** Jerry Merhar reported that there will be a number of people that need community service that will be working the Fine Arts building.

-**Gates & Tickets:** Mike Peplowski reported that he has a group from Wickliffe that will work the gates and another group will be working the ride booth.

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-Grounds: Wade Crofoot reported that work will be needed to be done to the Log Cabin.

-Historical: Wade Crofoot reported that he met with Doc regarding the Historical building.

-Saddle Horse: Chuck Shultz reported that he attended a Saddle Horse meeting and they have concerns regarding the lighting at the Walk/Trot ring and no light in the entry booth. Bob Dawson informed him that Ladies Auxiliary has donated lighting for the ring.

-Insurance: Jerry Merhar reported that there is an issue with the Rodeo insurance. There is an additional cost of \$350 to list us as additional insured on their policy and they want us to pay for it. Jerry recommended to increase our insurance by \$1 million dollars for a cost of \$850 instead. There was much discussion on this as to the need to increase the insurance and why we need to pay the additional coverage to the Rodeo. Jerry Merhar made a motion to increase our insurance by \$1 million dollars for a cost of \$850. Motion was seconded by Ryan Babcock. Bob Dawson, Wade Crofoot, Cindy Woodman and Joe Slansky opposed the motion. The majority approved the motion and motion passed.

-Police-Safety-First Aid: Dick Parker reported that CARES is still coming to the fair after being asked if they will be here this year.

-Publications: Steve Andow reported that there are major errors in the premium book. He asked each director to review their section in the book and let him or Michelle know what errors they see.

-Rentals: Jerry Merhar reported that rentals are good. There are several Gun Shows scheduled. The Home Show is in process for Memorial Weekend next year.

OTHER MATTERS: Dick Parker mentioned to the Board that the family of Susie Mettler requested a donation to the Wags 4 Kids in lieu of flowers. Jerry made a motion that the Fair Board donate \$100 to Wags 4 Kids in Susie's memory. Wade Crofoot seconded the motion. All were in favor.

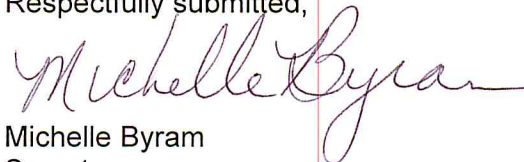
- Bob Dawson questioned what plans are for the Cone Barn? It will be ready for fair. After discussing different options, it was decided that it will be offered to 4-H for clubs to use it. Bob recommended that a plaque be made for the barn.

- Jerry Merhar made a motion to increase the payment for Latino Day to \$2750. Mike Peplowski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Rob Sidley made a motion to read and pay bills. Seconded by Jerry Merhar, the motion passed.

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

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Byram
Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, July 31 @ 7:30 p.m.