# LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

## **DIRECTORS SIGN-IN SHEET**

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Minutes: July 13, 2023

President Wade Crofoot called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

VISITORS: Dr. Rob Schwartz attended the meeting and let the Board know that he will be the fair vet again this year. No health certificates will be required. Dr. Rob will be staying on site and will check the animals out on Monday before the fair. He will attend to medical and emergency situations as much as he can but may need to call own vet if more extensive treatment is needed. C&D will be done on July 21. Rob will also do the blood draws for the racehorses on Tuesday, July 25.

- Painesville Twp Fire Dept had 3 representatives attend, Eric Berchak, who is the new Fire Chief, Gordon and Joe. Chief Berchak introduced himself and questioned the parade procedure. Joe reported he will do inspections on the vendors Tuesday morning. Gordon reported he will have an incident action plan complete and event coverage for us.

**MINUTES:** Mike Peplowski made a motion to approve the minutes from July 6, 2023. Joe Slansky seconded. All in favor and minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: No financial report

**CORRESPONDENCE:** North Carolina Fair Board – Wade reported we were contacted by Robeson Regional Agricultural Fair in Lumberton NC. They are coming up to visit fairs and would like to visit our fair on Wednesday, July 26. Ladies Auxiliary will have refreshments for them when they arrive.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS: Courtesy Passes for Directors: Courtesy Passes were distributed to Directors.

#### COMMITTEES:

-Care & Maintenance: Michelle reported there is now an ATM machine in the Youth/Community Center.

**-4-H Livestock Auction:** Sam Taylor reported Joe has been doing electrical work over by the livestock pavilion and it looks good. The numbers are up for the sale. Around 280 lots.

-Fair Queen: Michelle reported the Queen's Tea was held on Sunday and Giselle Scipione was crowned the 2023 Lake County Fair Queen.

-Finance & Budget: Bob Dawson reported sponsorships are at around \$46,000, just under last year which was \$41,000. We had \$38,000 in 2021.

-Fine Arts: Cindy Woodman reported that judging will be held on Friday with dinner following at 7:00 pm in the fair office. All are welcome

-Gates & Tickets: Bob reported Gates & Ticket training was held on Monday night. There was a good attendance. Bob announced there will be credit card machines at all the gates.

-Golf Carts: Todd Demshar reported he is not sure what day the golf carts will be arriving.

-Government Coordination: Jerry Merhar reported he mentioned to Commissioner Plecnik that we could use LED lighting he agreed it should be done and will make it possible.

-Grounds: Wade Crofoot reported he would like to get a drone flyover to get pictures and videos of the fairgrounds since it looks so nice with the asphalt work. He has contacted a few places. Wade reported the yellow lines and tar and chip out back will be done by the county. A private company did the marking of lines and numbering on the midways.

-Horse: Mike Peplowski reported he was told that 4-H will not need back stalls. There will be 18 draft horses out back.

-Hospitality: Michelle reported that cleaning of entry booths and decorating on the fairgrounds will be done next Thursday. All are welcome to help.

**-Police-Safety-First Aid**: Cindy reported there will be a meeting in the fair office on Wednesday at 11:00 am with the sheriff, fire department, ride company and fair.

-Race Program: Rob Sidley reported he will be getting material for the track.

-Voice of the Fair – Jerry Merhar all positions are filled.

### 4-H EXTENTION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE: No one to report.

**OTHER MATTERS:** Jerry Merhar suggested changing the name of the Arthur F Warren Scholarship to the Bob & Polly Sidley Scholarship and requested Rob Sidley make the donation for it. There was much discussion on this and it was decided to table it until after fair.

- Cindy Woodman met with Young Guns. They would like to have a gathering spot of their Own. They may possibly fund a pavilion that they can use.

Mike Peplowski made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Jerry Merhar, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Bylan

Michelle Byram

Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, July 20 @ 7:30 p.m.