

# Agricultural Society of Defiance County, Inc.

## Senior Fairboard Meeting

September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017

X	Gary Backhaus	A	Jeff Holtsberry
X	Tracey Backhaus	X	Jeremy Limber
X	Mary Bishop,	X	Desirae Mack
X	Yvonne Blosser	X	Don Retcher
X	Brian Chittenden	X	Larry Retcher
X	Kate Chittenden	X	Jeff Rohlf
X	Deb Cocke	X	Jerry Sanders
X	Rena Cottrell	X	Carol Sines
X	Dave Ferguson	X	Mitch Troyer
X	David Hartman	X	Lavon Wiles

Guest attending the meeting Julie Wiles, Angie Morris, Nicole Walters, Breanna Backhaus, Phyllis Retcher, Charlie Bakle, and Dana Phipps with the Defiance County Sheriff's Office.

President Jerry Sanders called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

### Secretary's Report

Don moved to abstain the reading of the minutes. Larry seconded the motion. Motion was passed.

Dave H. made a motion to approve the July minutes and Tracey seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### Financial Report

Julie reported that bills totaled \$45,292.24. Teresa would like the \$6,500 for fair premiums to be released. Dave F. made a motion to pay the bills & premiums. Dave H. seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Tracey made a motion to approve the financial report and Dave H. seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### Guests:

Angie Morris – with the St. John's Lutheran Church (Pie Pan). Would like to thank us for allowing them to come to the fair again this year. They have some concerns that need

addressed such as the building does not have working drains, the building needs repainted, needs new shutters.

Charlie Bakle – enjoys supporting the fair. Had a concern that the other political party may have stolen their tent/spot this year. Also they were open early every day whereas others were not.

Nicole Walters – running for an open position this November.

Breanna Backhaus – running for an open position in November.

Dana Phipps – Asked if there were some things they maybe need to look at addressing for next year, which Deb suggested policing golf carts because many were probably not registered. Jerry suggested policing vehicles allowed in the gates because there were too many. Dana then said that DARE had popcorn instead of snow cones. Also they may be looking at doing something different because there were not very many participants in the scavenger hunt.

#### Correspondence:

Kate had an email from a gentleman with the House of Ruth which is having an event in November. They were looking for a donation of some kind to give away for a family of four preferably. Mary made a motion to give a certificate for a family of four for fair passes & 1 event. Deb seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Marc Dobb's with the One Man Band had a silly face contest at the fair. He has a sponsor that will donate \$1 to the Ronald McDonald House for every silly face made in the picture. We now hold the record for having 181 faces and he gave us a copy of the picture to hang in the office.

#### Committees:

Deb – had a difficult week with the gates. The committee needs to set down and get ideas for next year.

Brian – Family Farm & Home refunded the canopies that he purchased before the fair. One was ruined in the storm.

Yvonne – Open goat show went good. There was an individual missing clippers if anyone has seen them please let her know.

Larry – Camping registration went okay. 15 people did not register.

Lavon

- Harness racing shirts – weren't able to give out during fair because they were misplaced – selling for \$5 each.
- Need help winterizing – Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup>
- Need to look at raising the price on storage, currently charge \$0.85/foot for the year.
  - Deb moves to charge \$1.00/foot for the year. Mary seconded the motion and the motion passes.

- Still having a lot of traffic due to the construction. Do we want to lock the front gate? Mary made a motion to lock the gate. Mitch seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- Need a drain for the new water line – the cost is around \$650. Carol moves to purchase the drain for the water line and Don seconded the motion. The motion passes.

Jerry

- Jason Elston with Four County would like to borrow the bleachers for an event they are having. It is the understanding that they will be brought back in the same condition in which they are taken, however we would like to see a contract saying so. Carol made a motion to allow them to borrow the bleachers as long as a contract was given. Don seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- The lady who broke her ankle last year update: PERSO has mailed a check to her for \$5,000. Our insurance rep sent a letter saying that the girl did not have to walk where she was injured.
- Got a letter from OFMA Convention & received a gift certificate for 1 free registration.
- Wood Carvings – Putting the remaining pieces on the Buy Sell Trade page on Facebook.

**All committees were to have met prior to next meeting to discuss any problems they had during the fair week.**

New Business:

Golf Cart Rentals – get paid up. Mary is checking to see if we can get credit for the 2 that wouldn't run at all.

KAVIC Project – How much would we like to donate? Deb made a motion to give \$1,000 and Carol seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mary – made a motion to peg August 18<sup>th</sup> to August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Carol seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Gary – need to look at removing the awning on the back of the Ag Hall.

Larry moved to adjourn the meeting. Gary seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

**Next meeting is October 10<sup>th</sup> @ the Secretary's Office on the Fairgrounds @ 7:30pm.**

**\*\*\*Remember to submit any photos or information for the website to Jerry's sister at [koenig@nwoet.org](mailto:koenig@nwoet.org) \*\*\***

*Respectfully submitted by Kate Chittenden, Secretary*