
Senior Fair Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Hicksville Secretary's Office @7:00pm

Attendees

Donia Anderson	X	Renae Cottrell	E	Bridget Ruppert	X
Gary Backhaus	X	Emily Ellsworth (7:01pm)	X	Jerry Sanders	X
Tracey Backhaus	X	Angie Etchen	E	Ben Sandleben	X
Jeff Binder (7:08pm)	X	Jeremy Limber	X	Jerry Sheets	E
Yvonne Blosser	X	Desirae Mack	X	Carol Sines	X
Brian Chittenden	X	Joel Retcher	E	Mitch Troyer	E
Kate Chittenden	X	Larry Retcher	X	Nicole Walters	X
Michael Cline	A	Breanna Richards	X	Lavon Wiles	E
Deb Cocke	E	Jeff Rohlf	E	Kayleigh Zolman	X

Agenda

Called to Order

President Jerry Sanders called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance. Excused:

Secretary's Report

1. **Motion** by Larry: Abstain from reading the minutes.
Seconded by Tracey.
Motion **Passed**.
2. **Motion** by Gary: Approve the minutes.
Seconded by Tracey.
Motion **Passed**.

Financial Report

1. Added bills for March: Werlor-\$80.00, Retcher Building-\$160.00 (Door), Shower Drains-\$59.19, Grants Certificate (Expires in July 2019)-\$25.00, Eddie/Insurance-\$8,151.00, buy another roll of Postage.
2. Outstanding Checks-Lost their checks and misplaced. We are continuing to work with the bank to waive the \$35.00 fee. Auditor agreed to not pay the stop fee cost. Still have six outstanding checks at the amount of \$116.00 total for all six. Mr. Hancock found his \$50.00 check during the meeting and will cash it.
3. Money was put into the 2100 account for horse race costs (fixing the track, etc.) General has \$14,000 and then \$63,000.
4. Change Jerry to Jeremy on Financial Report.
5. **Motion** by Jeremy: Pay the bills.
Seconded by Nicole.
Motion **Passed**.
6. **Motion** by Ben: Approve the Treasurer report.
Seconded by Gary.
Motion **Passed**.

Correspondence:

None

Guests:

1. Adam Mack-President/Isaiah-Vice President: presented Junior Fair Board Information. Discussed member numbers, advisors, and building updates that they intend to do. We asked that the treasurer communicates monthly with our bookkeeper for auditor purposes.

Committees:

1. Executive Committee: Discussed work task sign-ups for fairgrounds. Grandstand needs pressure washed. Horse track fence needs cleaned up. Ground needs mowed. Goat pens also need a date for assembly. Open the bathrooms & Secretary's Office for the Sherriff's Mock Crash. Donia needs a receipt book.
2. Fundraising-Bridget, Nicole and Breanna have planned a Spaghetti Dinner for Friday, April 26th at Crystal Fountain Auditorium in Sherwood, Ohio from 4-8pm. The hall is being donated for free. The Defiance Cattleman's Association is donating the hamburger. Sign-up will be sent around for leftover items that we need for the dinner. A follow-up email for donation drop off will be sent after the meeting.
3. Campgrounds- 6 spots available. Everything is good and ready to go.
4. Tractor Pulls-Nicole stated everything's going well. Passing out a form for people to call.
5. Cheerleading-Discussed contacting Jeremy's brother for the announcer position. Contacting Crystal Slattman and having a cheer meeting to make sure everything is intact.
6. Sponsorships-New Sponsorship Packets. Please take one on our way out. GET SPONSORSHIPS! **19 Weeks Until Fair**
7. Concessions- Looked at open lots & concession spots. Sending out contracts to new vendors and contact new vendor possibilities. Possibly fire cooked pizza vendor. Just sent out applications to past vendors.
8. Gates Committee- We need to approve Sharon for office work for nights. Her hours will be 4pm-8pm. Ben is contacting more churches for our gate committee.
Motion by Carol: Allow for Sharon to work in the office from 4pm-8pm during fair
Seconded by Kayleigh
Motion **Passed**.
9. Goats- \$3,110.00 for goat pens. \$2857.42 on hand after fair board matches. Balance \$2,535.08. Guest Mary Bishop attempted to hire a second goat judge. Guests have no jurisdiction to hire judges. Senior Fair Board directors and chairman are the only ones able to hire judges.
10. Social Media-Meet the Boards need turned in.
11. Fair Tab- Turn in your fair tab information ASAP! Do not wait. Do it and get it done. Get it to Breanna! Reminder that the ARTICLES are done by the Crescent. We only do the Rules, Committee Lists, and the categories.
12. Senior Pavilion- Homier Stone Prices for senior pavilion area. Meeting with the Senior Center this week.

13. Grounds- See Executive Board Discussion about Grounds Clean-Up Task Sign-Up.
14. Agricultural- Horticulture Workshop will be hosted on Thursday, April 25th from 7:00-8:00pm at the Crystal Fountain Auditorium. All quilt donations will go to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. Back-up location will be Sarah's House in Defiance.
15. Bands-Will be contacted this week. Double checking where they want their checks made out to.
16. Speed- Gary is meeting on Thursday with Chris.
17. Truck Pulls- Kevin brings his own scale. He's unable to attend Friday. Committee will need to work on figuring out the details for who's coming with the scales and what time they can be on the grounds.

Old Business

1. Golf Cart Route-Lessen the traffic of golf carts for the high guest areas. Driving outside the fairgrounds is okay if you're driving sensible. Only licensed drivers. No kids.

Motion by Jeremy: Lessen traffic on the midway, use common sense. Use the golf carts behind by the campground and sheep barn. Stop at the blue barn. Shuttles and handicap continue with where they typically go.

Seconded by Tracey

Motion **Passed**.

2. Board Member- Contact Michael (Chuck) Cline about board attendance and responsibilities. Still owes membership dues \$8, insurance \$11, and the board needs reimbursed for OFMA hotel convention \$35. He said he still wants to help with the track during fair. Suggesting the auxiliary team. Send a letter with the rules.
3. Pavilion Project-Grant Papers for \$1,000.00 guaranteed by a commissioner nomination. Lots of information had to be sent for the grants. Jerry has to meet with the Foundation at the end of the month for \$50,000.00 for the building. Gary Plotts wants to present a letter to the Am Vets/Veterans association to go towards costs. July 5th is pending completion date for the pavilion.

New Business

1. Website needs updated. Send updates directly to Jerry or Jerry's sister. Minutes need added to the website. Social Media will create a new committee to hand Internet Public Relations.

2. Christmas Cruise Thru: Lloyd Evie new Vice President. They want to put stone put into their storage area. They also need permission to start a week early. Send a letter with the contract amendment. Need a signed copy returned.

Motion by Carol: Allow the CCT to operate one week earlier. Make an amendment to the contract, send contract, and require a signed copy to be returned.

Seconded by Kate.

Motion **Passed**.

3. Address the front sign on the fairgrounds and events that are presented on the sign. Need to address the issue of painting over or removing certain events.
4. Jeremy wants to build a new handrail around the corner of the concrete by the shower houses, to keep people from falling off that edge. Discussing with Joe Singer to put something permanent in. Getting quotes for bathrooms to be converted into actual toilet plumbing.

5. Overall pricing:

Vendors-\$175.00 for 15ft spot

Outside Ag-\$75 for 25ft spot

Merchants-\$100

Horse Stall Rentals Monthly-\$70

Gate Fees- Daily Adult, Kids \$5/Adult Season \$25

Last Date Gate Fees-\$2

Grandstand- Free all week except Demolition. \$10 Demolition Derby Day

In-Field Prices- Truck Pulls/Drags \$15, Demolition Derby \$15

Golf Cart Handicap Prices-\$25

Camping spot-\$175

Electricity-\$1/amp

Privilege Fees (Vendors Camping)-\$120

Motion by Ben: Approve the prices for fair.

Seconded by Kayleigh.

Motion **Passed**.

6. **Motion by:** Order new receipt books and checks for Julie

Seconded by Jeremy.

Motion **Passed**.

Motion to Adjourn

1. **Motion** by Tracey: Adjourn the meeting.
Seconded by Jeremy.
Motion **Passed**.

Notes

- Volunteer Hours: Please submit days with times and locations that you'd like volunteers to help for fair. These hours will count towards the hours needed in order to run for a position on the board. Your dates and times can be submitted via email or text to Ben or Breanna.

Action Items

1. Please submit ANY photos or information (with placement specification) for our website to Jerry Sander's sister at koenig@nwoet.org.
2. Any important information or photos that you'd like to be considered for posting on our social media, please submit to Breanna or Ben via Email or Facebook Messenger.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, May 14, 2019 @7:00pm.
Defiance County Fair Grounds-Secretary's Office

Respectfully submitted by,

Breanna Richards
2019 Secretary