

Regular Meeting August 2, 2021 St. Joseph County Fairgrounds President: Craig Ulsh Vice-President: Jennifer Mead-Bennett Secretary: Kelsey Kulpinski Treasurer: Virginia Trattles Deputy Treasurer: Julie Carpenter Media: Tarina Jansen

- 1. Call the meeting to order President, Craig Ulsh at 6:30pm
- 2. Pledges no pledges
- 3. Members Present: Julie Carpenter, Brittany Bogema, Samantha Hoekstra, Tarina Jansen, Kelsey Kulpinski, Peter Rambadt, Virginia Trattles, Craig Ulsh, Tricia Ulsh, Connie Myers, Jennifer Mead-Bennett

Members Absent: Julianna Collins, Brenda Eggleston, Rachel Eggleston, Brian Quirin, Sydney Johnson, Bree Seekman, Regan Barrington

- 4. Public Comment- Autumn Converse introduced herself. She is the new Youth Educator
- 5. Additions to the agenda/Approval of Agenda
- Minutes from previous meeting (June 7, 2021, need to be approved), July meeting was unofficial due to no quorum. Kelsey Kulpinski, Secretary. Virginia made a motion to approve the June minutes and Tarina seconded. Motion Carried.
- 7. Correspondence received- Gunner Bunnings Thank You
- 8. Financial Report Virginia Trattles, Treasurer
  - a. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust checking account as of July 12, 2021 \$15,668.33
  - b. Oakleaf Financial Account as of 6/30/21- \$19,433.72
- 9. Bills needing approval/review:
  - a. Milk Barn \$300
  - b. Postage to county \$112.91 \*From July Meeting\*
  - c. Stamps \$660 \*From July Meeting\*
  - d. Tarina made a motion to approve the financial report and pay the bills, Trisha seconded. Motion carried.
- 10. Officer/Committee report
  - a. Fundraising
    - i. Milk Barn Need volunteers.
    - ii. Barn Rental -
    - iii. Milk Pricing for 2021- Peter made a motion to raise the price of milk to \$2/pint & \$3/Qt, Julie seconded. Motion carried.
    - iv. Dippin' Dots Still have a \$210.24 credit. Tarina made a motion to sell Dippin' Dots again at the fair. Peter seconded. Motion carried.
  - b. Trophies Discussion Dr Hooks will honor the same pricing. List needs to be turned in for order.
  - c. Benches and Bricks Bricks are in, just need to be installed. Benches Trish contacted Tamara Tool, they can do the bench engraving they just need to get the board and an idea of what the other ones look like. Still need to order 1 new bench for Fred Henningsen if it can be engraved.

- d. Fair Books they are in and are \$4
- e. Fair Activities Scavenger Hunt, Dance, Judging Contest. Looking for help for these events.
- f. United Way Request Jennifer made a motion to donate the left-over sports memorabilia to UW. Peter seconded. Motion carried.
- g. Still Project Auction, Barn Setup, and Project Drop Off & Judging Ron Benthin looking for help for set up. Planning to do the auction. The projects will only be dropped off and judged on the first Saturday of the fair this year.
- h. Fair Awards Tumblers- Virginia made a motion that all species Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion will get a banner and Champion and Reserve Champion will get a tumbler this year. Kelsey seconded. Motion carried.
- i. Thank You Notes \$1087 total in price of Thank You's with stamps. Tarina made a motion to increase cost of Thank You's to \$2 each, Trish seconded. Motion carried.
- 11. 4-H Development Report -
  - New Youth Educator! Autumn Converse from Ohio (3) Some of her qualifications include PQA advisor, Cloverbud development, teen leader programming, volunteer supervision, BS in Agriculture in Animal Sciences, in final stages of Master's degree for Master of Science in Agricultural and Extension Education
  - b. Horse Council Update HC trophies- they are refurbishing donated trophies. They have judges hired. Fairboard giving LA \$1,750 that goes to the HC.
  - c. Livestock Association Update- Pre-fair species meetings. LA meets on 8-16. Swine gates are almost finished. Purchased new projectors for the auction.
  - d. Additional YC mtg 8-16-21?
  - e. Committee assignment list
- 12. Old Business
- 13. New Business
  - a. Covid/MSU Update or Changes- MSU employees to be vaccinated & meetings inside should mask up.
  - b. Volunteer Opportunities During Educator Transition
  - c. 2020 Aged Out Members (10/11 year members) Michelle McNamara would like to be able to still recognize last years 10 & 11 year members at the fair since they weren't recognized last year. Maybe have Autumn help with this.
- 14. New Ideas
- 15. Adjournment- Jennifer made a motion to adjourn at 8:30pm. Kelsey seconded. Motion carried.

## Next Meeting Date: Parks Clean-up prior at 5pm until done on August 30, 2021 & Regular meeting at 6:30pm - In Person, Kates Pizza Pavilion at Fairgrounds