

POLK COUNTY FAIR SOCIETY  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
April 28th, 2016 7:00PM

Meeting to be held at **The West Conference room – Government Center**, Balsam Lake WI  
*(Directors, please contact Kerri Slate, Secretary if you are unable to attend this meeting)*

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Attendance: Dale Wood, Karrie Melin-Swenson, Judy Bainbridge, Royce Larson, Janis Larson, Tim Wilson, Brandon Derosier, Rodney Rivard, Becky Larson, Becky Dickenson, Amy Jonnson, Ted Johnson, Dennis Schiel, Warren Nelson, Chris Wood

Meeting was called to order at 7:05PM by Dale Wood

Approval of Agenda: Additions to the agenda – Visitors guide – our ad, Dale added request from St. Croix County, Karrie Melin-Swenson added letter of resignation from Kerri Slate. Tim Wilson moved to approve the agenda with the additions, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Becky Larson, motion carried

Approval of meeting minutes dated March 31st, 2016. Tim Wilson moved to accept the minutes as presented, Amy Jonnson 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

Approval of Treasurer's Report: Amy Jonnson moved to accept the Treasurer's report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim Wilson, motion carried.

Sportsman's Club: Karrie Melin-Swenson – Club is not present, Karrie Melin-Swenson was contacted by a representative from the Sportsman club about add a walk in cooler with an addition on the building. Scott Hanson and Joe Mattson from the Polk Co Sportsman Club came @ 730pm. 12 x 9 addition to the NW section of the existing building. They think that this addition will improve the electrical usage. Roof was discussed; getting a building permit was mentioned, Amy brought up how much extra space was going to be used. Where the entrance door would be was questioned.

Fireworks Store: Email was presented from owner regarding use of the grounds, it was requested that Geri contact him and report about it at the next meeting.

Old Business

- 1: Small Animal Barn:
- 2: Polk County Fair Society Facebook and Web page, use of and management of. Dale Wood – Admins will be restored.
- 3: Gopher control: Karrie Melin-Swenson – Contacts have been made, group suggested Becky Dickinson and Karrie Melin-Swenson along with the Extension office continue to work on the gopher problem
- 4: District Meeting – April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016 PCF – review of the District meeting

Committee Reports

Advertising: Nothing new

Bldgs. & Grounds-MLRP: Tim Wilson – tree removal discussion. Ted Johnson moves to allow Time Wilson to work with Branch Out Tree Service, Brandon 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

Budget: Nothing

Bylaws & Policies: Nothing

Commercial Exhibits: Amy Jonnson OMC/sunscreen stations during g the fair, discussion on location.

EMT & Safety: Janis has not heard anything about last years grandstand incident.

Entertainment/Grandstand: Judy Bainbridge – we need another PA system, \$300 - #500 through Mark Johnson, portable unit, need system with hands free mic. Grandstand: All contracts are out – everything is ok.

Executive Committee: Nothing at this time

Fair Camping: Janis attended a meeting with Brian Hobbs regarding no sprinklers on hoses, hydrants are illegal to install, need tee's, we need to keep the camping license. Brandon Derosier makes a motion that we go from 1 – 25, Rod Rivard

2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried. Brandon Derosier wondered if we can compensate Dennis for his work that he is doing, Ted Johnson suggests that the executive board discuss.

Fairest of the Fair: will start going to the fair

Fundraising: just moving forward, 25 so far for the flea market

Horse: Rodney Rivard – horse project is beginning to use the grounds

Livestock: Karrie Melin-Swenson – working on meeting between Livestock and Ag teachers. We received the AgStar financial grant for \$3000

Parking: Amy requesting that the parking passes be available earlier, Tim requested that the drivers be better informed as to what the route is for the tractors for the people movers.

Premium Book: Available tonight

Programming Committee: Geri – committee should meet with Tracy regarding the Tickets

Quality Meats: 12 goats weighed in, 55 sheep, several new exhibitors, no hog weigh in.

Small Animal: Nothing

Social Garden: May meeting at fair grounds

Ticket Sales

Use of Grounds & Winter Storage: Geri reported – camping area, yellow golf cart, Dennis Schill use of menards card, fuel expenses, power and lights turned on, adding Jess Bailargion to the list for using the arena tractor and drag, Dennis may be back for the fair. Two groups of dog project leaders – keys given, screen door on the horse arena food stand and two curb stops need to be repaired. Red School house is now ours, Russ Hanson is willing to come to the May meeting and work with use. Janis Larson moves that we give Brandon Derosier the old scale house, get rid of the scale and fill in the hole. Tim Wilson 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried. Dale gets the desk from the building. Cleaning out under the grand stand was discussed. Winter Storage – Dale Wood – thanked everyone that helped out, 1 camper with damage, discussed that we raise the prices next year.

#### New Business:

- 1: Action on Committee Reports: none
- 2: ATM on Fairgrounds: Geri – presented info from carnival, Janis Larson stated that Chad will put on at the admin building, that will be set up.
- 3: Circus – May 15 – 16: group will be emailed that we would not be able to host them.
- 4: Fair Premium Books available tonight
- 5: SCF Dog park Proposal: Dale Wood - discussion with Rosalie Kittleson, Dale will go to the city to talk to them.
- 6: Set next meeting date/May 26th, 2016 – 7 pm, **4 H Building, Polk County Fair Grounds, St. Croix Falls Wi**
- 7 request of St. Croix County to use Radio's – Dale Wood was asked to use them by someone at the district meeting.
- 8: Resignation letter from Kerr Slate – Karrie Melin-Swenson Becky Dickinson moved to accept Kerri Slaters letter of Resignation along with the other guidelines outline in her letter of resignation, Rodney Rivard 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried. Brandon Derosier asked if our group would benefit from a parliamentary procedure professor coming to our meeting. Discussion on how to hire a secretary and advertising of the position.

Karrie Melin-Swenson makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by ???????, motion carried.

Meeting minutes submitted by Kerri Slate, Secretary