

**Northwestern Michigan Fair  
Board of Director's Meeting  
May 10, 2018**

- 1. Call to Order:** By Jason Neumann
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Sonya Youker
- 3. Roll Call:**
  - a. Board Members Present:** Jason Neumann, Mike Barley, Rudy Neumann, Caley Mehs, Mary Dennis, Karen Zenner, Sonya Youker, Al Henning, Julie Nowland, Joe Babik, Milt Lewis, Carolyne Woodhams, and Jillian Noel.
  - b. Board Members Absent:** Joe Hubbell and Kyle Weber
  - c. Visitor's Present:** Amanda Wilkins, Rose & Jo Ann Bohoer, Cindy Gerou, and Dale & Dorothy Fritz.
- 4. Review Agenda: Motion 5.10.18.1:** R. Neumann/ J. Noel made motion to approve May 10, 2018 Agenda. P.
- 5. Correspondence:** Demand VP Creation Services is having an open house on Thursday May 17<sup>th</sup> they are new and sent us a postcard.
- 6. President's Report:** J. Neumann: There is no snow but we are behind schedule on some things around the grounds. Joe Hubbell, Al, Rudy and Jason were able to turn on the water and so far there are no problems. The water meter froze and broke and there is one on order. We held interviews last week and have hired Angie for our new Fair Office Secretary who will be starting on Monday May 14, 2018.
- 7. Treasurer's Report:** J. Noel gave out the Balance Sheet and answered any questions.
- 8. Presentation & Approval of Meeting Minutes: Motion 5.10.18.2:** J. Babik/ C. Woodhams made motion to approve April 12, 2018 Meeting Minutes.
- 9. Public Comment:** None

## 10. New Business:

- a. J. Neumann:** Got 2 quotes for fixing two roofs. Poultry and Rabbit barns are what the two quotes are for. Sent out an email regarding golf cart purchase. Jason called JBC in Farwell and they purchase a large volume of golf carts. **Motion 5.10.18.3:** M. Lewis/ S. Youker made motion that we purchase 2 four seat golf carts. P. **Motion 5.10.18.4:** R. Neumann/ J. Babik to purchase 2 additional 4 seat golf carts. P. People who rent the grounds are interested in renting golf carts during their event. Someone contacted Jason regarding renting a golf cart during the Cherry Festival Parade. There is a possibility of renting purchased golf carts. Last month we discussed the purchase of a small building for Merchandise sales. **Motion 5.10.18.5:** The price on that \$2146.05 for a wooden framework with steel outside and roof. M. Lewis/ J. Babik made motion to approve the purchase the \$2146.05 price of small building from Pahl's Country Store. P.
- b. J. Noel:** There have been a few people complaining of not getting their Premium Checks. Suggested having the checks ready for two weeks after fair and opening the Fair Office for them to be picked up instead of being mailed.
- c. M. Lewis:** Question about the Grandstand Fund. **Motion 9.12.13.7: Wayne Strang/ Al Henning made motion to take 25% of Grandstand events net profits and put back into bleachers was passed but not passed down to Jillian when she took over Treasurer.**
- d. A. Henning:** Brought to attention Biosecurity and an animal plan.
- e. C. Woodhams:** Questions about purchasing a Junior Beef and the give away to make sure we are all on the same page.
- f. Cindy Gerou:** Twilight Shows will need a cash box also had some questions regarding the shows and will have the judge contracts. Had additional questions regarding the barn and cleaning the pens.

**11. 4H Livestock:** Barb Crosley: Had animal numbers. LC needs a Round Robin and a Goat sponsor for the Showmanship Banners. Barn awards are being revamped this year along with a Herdsman Award. There are 55 steers, 226 swine, 47 sheep, and 122 goats coming so far.

**12. Unfinished Business:**

**a. J. Neumann:** Continued conversation with the Scottish Festival people for next September.

**b. M. Lewis:** Came into possession of a video that was sent to Jason and Matt (Officer Smiley). A license plate was obtained by blowing the picture up. Snowmobile Association would like to use the property across the road for the Trailhead and would be willing to put up gates that can be locked.

**13. Committee Reports Assignments:**

1. Mike Barley: Working with a gentleman regarding the surveying of the new property.
2. Rudy Neumann: Building and Grounds is going very well. The groomer for the horse arenas is done and back. Thanks to Dale for helping Rudy. Spoke to Darrel Robinson regarding a sprinkler system outside the horse arena.
3. Caley Mehs: Nothing
4. Mary Dennis: Premium Book is done and distributed. Will be online within a few days. The cost was \$3774 for 1500 books.
5. Karen Zenner: Spoke to Clarissa. The Queen is going to the Mesick Mushroom Festival. Is working on Fair Camping with Mike and the DEQ.
6. Sonya Youker: Been getting reservations for camping. May 15<sup>th</sup> the camp ground is working. One group is signed up for 2 days in the parking lot.
7. Al Henning: Veteran's Memorial is coming along nicely and judge contracts are coming in.
8. Julie Nowland: None

9. Joe Babik: Got a hold of the B & D Pedal Pushers are available to come during Kid's Day for \$668. Got a hold of Red Lobster and its all set on the Website.
10. Milt Lewis: Museum lost one large light when the cast iron bracket broke. Golf Cart Enforcement will have a meeting. Winter Storage still has a few stragglers but will be coming off soon. Check out the website and make sure it looks right.
11. Carolyne Woodhams: Partnered with Mary about the Premium Book. Will be working on the Pancake Breakfast.
12. Jillian Noel: Off Season has nothing right now. Will be looking for volunteers for the Information Tent. Get with Julie or Jillian if you need passes for any sponsors. Tickets and Gate are covered Sunday through Saturday except Thursday for the Main Gates.
13. Jason Neumann: Advertising: Calls are coming in. Event Sprout will be up and running soon. Schedule is set for Entertainment. Joel will be out here this weekend.
14. Adjournment: **Motion 5.10.18.6:** J. Babik/ A. Henning made motion to adjourn at 9:01pm.