

Northwestern Michigan Fair
Board of Director's Meeting
June 14, 2018

1. Call to Order: By J. Neumann

2. Pledge of Allegiance: By J. Hubbell

3. Roll Call: By C. Woodhams

Board Members Present: Jason Neumann, Mike Barley, Caley Mehs, Rudy Neumann, Al Henning, Mary Dennis, Karen Zenner, Joe Hubbell, Sonya Youker, Julie Nowland, Kyle Weber, Al Henning, Milt Lewis, Carolyn Woodhams, and Jillian Noel.

Board Members Absent: None

Visitor's Present: Amanda Wilkins, Jo Ann Bohrer, Dale Fritz, Cindy Gerou, Roger and Tara Steffes.

4. Review Agenda: Motion 6.14.18.1: R. Neumann/ A. Henning made motion to approve June 14, 2018 Agenda. P.

5. Correspondence: Attended Florence Tanner's Visitation, sent a peace lily, and sent the family a card. We have received a few Annual Membership Applications.

6. President's Report: 51 days until 2018 Fair. Relay for Life went well. The wedding went off without a hitch. There is a dog show going on right now. Still getting a lot of phone calls for receptions and weddings.

7. Treasurer's Report: Went over the Treasurer Report and Balance Sheet.

8. Presentation & Approval of Meeting Minutes: Motion 6.14.18.2: M. Barley/ J. Nowland made motion to approve May 10, 2018 Meeting Minutes. P.

9. Public Comment: None

10. New Business:

a. J. Neumann: The boys who vandalized the parking lot were caught thanks to Facebook and YouTube. They were given two choices: we file charges or they fix the parking lot. They chose to fix the parking lot. Officer let Jason know that we need bigger signs put up that say NO TREASPASSING. Jason got a hold of Chris Shafer who will be back for fair week with wifi and surveillance. Wifi for the fairgrounds started last week. Joe and Jason met with the new Blair Township Fire Chief Bill Parker and Gregg Byrd County Emergency Manager. Part of the meeting included a Fairground Emergency Plans from the Michigan Department of

Agriculture. The Fairgrounds map shows a number for each building... discussion on having those numbers on each end of the buildings.

b. M. Dennis: Calendar is at the printers. Hopefully will be printed next week.

c. K. Weber: Two very large ground hogs living under the booth. Going to set live traps. TC Towing will be on grounds again. Blarney Castle will be sending new tanks to the grounds. Derring Tree Service is donating mulch and sawdust. Donations are coming in for the Entertainment. Sponsors are coming in for the Entertainment. As sponsors are coming in the list will be getting to Milt to be put on the website.

11. 4H Livestock: Amanda Wilkins: Keri: 457 Market and are looking for volunteers for the unloading day. Kelly: June 30th should wrap up the education credits. There are 2 more clean ups this summer, June 25th and July 25th.

12. Unfinished Business:

a. Jason Neumann: Not sure what is going on with the garage doors for the Fitch Building. Blair Elementary has their float in the Fitch Building for Cherry Festival. Plan on meeting in the parking lot behind Jen Tees at 4:30/5:00 on Tuesday July 3rd we will then move to F&M Park.

13. Committee Reports Assignments:

a. J. Neumann: Trifold is at print. Sponsorship list is quite long. Some new ones added this year. Advertising: WKLT, WTCM, 7&4, 9&10, Good News Media and advertising on Facebook. Labor: Joel is back full time. Angie is here as well full time. Rentals and Contracts: GJ's is all set and ordering the same as last year. Looking to set up a small tent at the pit entrance. 170 8 foot tables and 1000 chairs are ordered. Tents will come in on Wednesday and Tables will be here Friday. Golf Carts: Mike, Rudy, and Jason bringing their golf carts, and Kyle will be bringing his side X side. Plus we have 3 available. Bill Marsh would like to shuttle for the Auction.

b. J. Noel: Gates are all set except for Thursday front gates. Thursday would need 12 to 14. \$625 for the day from 8am until 10pm and broke up into 4 to 5 hour shifts. Information Tent/ Volunteers: Julia Segal she has people that would like to volunteer. Passes and Registration: Passes are being worked on and registrations are coming in. Tickets and Gates: If anyone needs passes for anything, please let Jason know as soon as possible.

c. C. Woodhams: Pancake Breakfast: Milk and juice are ordered. Mr. and Mrs. Barley donated some syrup.

d. M. Lewis: Museum: All volunteers are accounted for. Website: If you have sponsors, please let Milt know.

e. J. Babik: Little Big Foot will be coming to the Fair. \$100 and all he needs is a place to change. Pedal Pullers are coming for Kid's Day. The Fair needs to provide ribbons and/or trophies for 9 classes.

f. J. Nowland: All set

g. K. Weber: All set

h. S. Youker: Campground is doing very well have made \$1540 since opening. Need flaggers for Wednesday through Saturday.

i. J. Hubbell: Need to know if any sponsors are coming in and will need space. Reminder: if you open the mail and there is a check with a registration. Please don't cash checks until Joe looks it over.

j. K. Zenner: Mike and Karen met with Dan and Fred about camping at the fairgrounds during fair week.

k. M. Dennis: Erwin "Duke" Elsner will be taking over the Tanner Building.

l. A. Henning: Nearly all the judge contracts. Veteran's Memorial is locked down and taken care of. There are 3 keynote speakers for the memorial.

m. R. Neumann: JD tractor is now fixed and back in action. Took the light that fell off the museum and had it taken care of and fixed. Ground breaking for the Memorial Wall will be happening next week. Dale Fritz: Feels that we need to discuss building a new Steer Barn.

n. C. Mehs: All set

o. M. Barley: Volunteer meal tickets: Would like to see them redeemed at any vendor not just the 4H Food Booth. The building from Paul's Country Store is being built.

14. Adjournment: Motion 6.14.18.3: J. Babik/ A. Henning made motion to adjourn at 9:23pm