

Northwestern Michigan Fair

Board of Directors

August 16, 2018

1. Call to Order: By Jason Neumann at 7:04pm

2. Pledge of Allegiance: By Joe Hubbell

3. Roll Call: By Carolyne Woodhams

Board Members Present:

Board Members Absent: Kyle Weber

Visitor's Present: Mike Forton, Sherri Forton, Jennifer Emery, Kelly Saxton, Rose and Jo Ann Bohrer, Dale & Dorothy Fritz, Kelly Kraeft, Jackie Morse, Clarissa Johnston, Barb Crosley, and Becky Gray Macgerr.

4. Review Agenda: Motion 8.16.18.1: R. Neumann/ J. Babik made motion to approve August 16, 2018 Meeting Agenda.

5. Correspondence: Will be putting a thank you in the Record-Eagle.

6. President's Report: We survived another year at Fair. We had a great year. Had a little wind but nothing too bad. All in all a great week. Had some good comments on Facebook regarding the clean and tidy grounds. Thank you to all who volunteered where needed.

7. Treasurer's Report: Had a breakdown of people through the gates and grandstands. Total amount of people on the grounds 70,299 people. Amount from Arnold's Amusements is \$102,301.92.

8. Presentation and Approval of Meeting Minutes: Motion 8.16.18.2: A. Henning/ J. Noel made motion to approve July 26, 2018 Meeting Minutes.

9. Public Comment:

a. Bingo Tent: Becky Macgerr with the church that ran the Bingo Tent. They made a profit of \$5500. Would like to give back to the Fair and give back to the Pavilion. Machines need to be serviced. Recommending store the equipment over winter and maybe serviced in June.

10. New Business:

a. J. Neumann: Received several phone calls regarding an incident with the manure pit behind the swine/lamb barn. It is being investigated. Fair is fresh on everyone's mind. Next Thursday August 23rd at 6:30 there will be a planning meeting. Currently working on getting prices together for getting additional power to the Zeke's Way area.

b. M. Barley: Next year on Wednesday night after everything is over. Smoking Steve's BBQ would like to have a get together for Fair Board members/Concession people.

c. **J. Noel:** Was approached by some teens about lack of teen reps on the Fair Board like they do the Livestock Council. Discuss at Planning Meeting. Passed around a breakdown of numbers from each species.

11. 4H Livestock Council:

a. **Kelly Kraeft:** Number of animals were down but the auction sale was the same as last year. President, Secretary, and Deputy Treasurer is up for election. Lamb and other specie chairs are up as well.

12. Unfinished Business:

a. **J. Neumann:** None

13. Committee Reports:

a. **Advertising:** 9 radio stations and 3 TV stations were on grounds.

b. **Annual Meeting/ Nominations:** Will get the application on the website.

c. **Kid's/Special Kid's Day:** Probably not go with Pedal Pushers again. Only 26 kids participated. Red Lobster fed over 300 lunches from 10am to 12pm during Kid's Day. Wings of Wonder did a great job.

d. **Buildings & Grounds:** Buildings need to get ready for winter storage and the haunt.

e. **Campgrounds:** \$5300 in the last month and a half.

f. **Concessions:** Everything went well.

g. **Fair Camping:** Went very well. People would like more power and more space.

h. **Information Tent/Volunteers:** Angie made a list of Improvements.

i. **Museum:** Many people came through and lots of volunteers. People suggested that we play music lightly.

j. **Off Season Promotions:** Wedding and horse show should wrap it up the season.

k. **Queens:** Miss Thea Gray is our new 2018-2019 Fair Queen.

l. **Sponsorship:** Been going great! Will start sponsorship soon for next year.

m. **Superintendent (Animal):** Overall went very well.

n. **Superintendent (Non-Animal):** All set for next year in the Tanner Building. Heim Building was very busy as well.

o. **Winter Storage:** Lots of people on the waiting list.

p. **Website/ Facebook:**

q. **Labor:** Angie is on board until September 15th. Joel is here right now with school starting in a couple weeks.

Motion 8.16.18.3: S. Youker/ A. Henning made motion to adjourn at 9:11pm.

