

# Northwestern Michigan Fair

## Board of Directors Meeting

### July 20, 2023

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Joe Hubbell at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Frank Guerin
3. **Roll Call:** ByCarolyn Woodhams
  - a. **Board Members Present:** Joe Hubbell, Sonya Youker, Al Henning, Erika Sprenger, Milt Lewis, Cody Foster, Carolyn Woodhams, Clarissa Johnston, Mike Barley, Karen Zenner, Frank Guerin, Tammara Sanchez, Jill Duell
  - b. **Board Members Absent:** Tom Looks
  - c. **Visitors Present:** Nicolette Brown, Kelly Saxton, Mary Lynn Robertson, Greg Bancroft, Keri Bancroft, Amanda Wilkins, Laurie Ashley, Dan & Leslie Campbell, Tammy Nemeskal, Kathy Easter, Ben Walker, Laura Guerin, Kathy Schutt
4. **Review Agenda**
  - a. **Motion 7.20.23.1:** M. Barley/ F. Guerin made a motion to approve July 20, 2023 Agenda. **Motion Passed.**
5. **Correspondence:** No correspondence.
6. **President's Report:** 16 days until fair. It is creeping up on us quick.
7. **Treasurer's Report:** No Treasurer's Report
8. **Presentation & Approval of Meeting Minutes:**
  - a. **Motion 7.20.23.2** M. Lewis /M. Barley made a motion to approve minutes from June 13, 2023 meeting as written. **Motion Passed.**
9. **Public Comment:**
  - a. Kathy Schutt: Asking questions about the Draft Horse Barn. Erika said that Patrick is organizing the Draft Horse Show. Erika said that Susan is in contact with Patrick. Kathy states that Patrick isn't corresponding with the group like he is supposed to. Kathy said they would like to know what is going on. As far as sponsoring the barns... Kathy spoke to Erika about the sponsorship for the Draft Horse Barns. Joe stepped in and answered some questions. Kathy said there is a lot of interest with people showing but little communication from Patrick. Cody stated that he moved the horse pull up at the request from patrons and visitors. Kathy said they would like to be a part of the NWMI Fair.
10. **New Business:** None
11. **4H Livestock Council:**
  - a. Keri Bancroft: Last work bee is this Wednesday. All the pens will be set up this Wednesday. 6-8:30pm. She will be picking up flowers as well. LC was asking when they will be able to see them from the Superintendents. That is an AI question but he isn't here quite yet. There is a meeting on Monday and that is the last meeting before fair. All open classes should be posted the night before, so the kids know the line up. Drop off is an hour before for the Fair Board and the LC as long as the Superintendent and Specie Chair know ahead of time. Keri will email the Board on times for sign up to help on Saturday. Specie Chair books will be ready next week. There is an overage on cattle and will be working with Sonya to get the pens ready.
12. **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Joe Hubbell: Sawdust: Grand Traverse Pallet donates the sawdust and Deering Tree Company usually hauls it but Joe hasn't been able to make contact. Grand Traverse Pallet will be hauling it.

### 13. Committee Reports:

- a. Advertising – Carolyne will let Joe know about when the interviews are on the radio station.
- b. Animal Health & Wellness – All healthy and well.
- c. Animal Superintendents –
- d. Bingo – All set.
- e. Buildings & Grounds – The bottom part of the tower is concreted in. We have tubing from this office to that tower.
- f. Campground – Only one from Sonya's campground is staying during fair.
- g. Concessions – People have a wait list.
- h. Entertainment – all set.
- i. Fair Camping – Karen has two that aren't coming. They would like a refund. Karen doesn't like how the online stuff worked out this year. Karen doesn't want to have to call someone to get the paperwork for camping.
- j. Fair Week Free Entertainment – All set. Dozer rented this weekend and Brian will be coming in to start working on track.
- k. Golf Cart Enforcement – Carolyne ordered stickers.
- l. Information Tent and Volunteers – Clarissa says it is coming together.
- m. Kids' & Special Kids' Day – \$200 from Williams Chevy and the Pit Spitter mascot will be here for Kid's Day.
- n. Memorial Wall – Two name plates on order.
- o. Merchandising – New shelves are put up and painted. 6 boxes of things put out there.
- p. Museum/Historical – Volunteers have returned and are all good.
- q. Non-Animal Superintendents – 2 Homemaker of the year applicants.
- r. Pancake Breakfast –
- s. Parade – Clarissa thanked the 4H kids and parents for participating in the parade this year. Jill was the only Fair board director participating in the parade on Thursday.
- t. Parking – Bloxom is taking care of and Buz Vandermullen's contract is complete.
- u. Queens – Currently have 5 contracts and maybe there is one more in the mail box.
- v. Passes & Registrations – All of the judges forms are printed and envelopes are being stuffed. Registrations can be picked up in the office Friday or Saturday after that they will be at the information tent.
- w. Rentals & Contracts – Circus is here. Spend the night tonight, leave to Kalkaska, come back here and will leave Sunday. Security Sanitation starting Monday 11am to 2pm. \$30 to dump.
- x. Ribbons – Ribbons came in.
- y. Safety & Security – All good
- z. Social networking –
- aa. Sponsorship –
- bb. Technology – Tom
- cc. Tickets & Gates – All Good.
- dd. Veterans Memorial – All good.
- ee. Website – July 31<sup>st</sup> whatever sponsors are on the website will be on the board.
- ff. Winter Storage –

gg. Joe Hubbell: Sunday through Wednesday Joel will be off the fairgrounds. Joe will be out Tuesday/Wednesday.

14. **Adjournment:**

a. **Motion 7.20.23.3:** S. Youker/ M. Barley made motion to adjourn. Motion passed.