

Central Wisconsin State Fair

Board Meeting Minutes – February 16, 2015 at Fair office

Present: Andy Keogh, Bob Ashbeck, Carol Kerper, Ed Wagner, Jeff Hartman, Jeff Viergutz, John Garbisch, Larry Gilbertson, Marilyn Heiman, Rob Posteluk and Sara Schmitt

Absent: Keith Kay

Non Board Members Present: Adam Fischer, Executive Director

Meeting called to order by Larry Gilbertson at 7:30 PM

Guest Comments: Larry Gilbertson opened up a time for a group of Food Vendors to address the Board concerning the changes being made on how Food Vendors pay at the Fair. Six different groups were present and they addressed the Board concerning the issue of the payment of the Food Vendors changing from a flat fee to 15% of the Gross Sales.

Closed Session:

The Board went into closed session under Chapter 19.85(1)(e) of the State Statutes, for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Specifically, the Board discussed negotiating positions for dealing with vendors both for profit or nonprofit of the Fair for the 2015 Fair Season.

Minutes from the January 19, 2015 Meeting: A motion was made to accept the minutes by Andy Keogh and Ed Wagner seconded the motion. The motion carried as presented.

Financial Report: The financial report was given by Marilyn Heiman. She went through each account giving a detailed summary. Discussion followed. A motion was made to accept the minutes and the motion carried.

Executive Directors Report: Adam Fischer went through the Executive Director Report and talked about all of the planning going into this year's Fair. He also went through the past month and the various activities of the Fair office.

Committee Reports:

Building & Grounds Committee:

John Garbisch went through the Building & Grounds Committee Report. Discussion followed.

Marketing Committee:

Rob Posteluk went through the Marketing Committee Report. Adam also made a few comments. Discussion followed.

Draft Horse Committee:

Larry Gilbertson went through the Draft Horse Committee Report. Discussion followed.

Market Animal Sale Committee Report:

Larry Gilbertson gave a report concerning the Market Animal Sale Committee and their legal standing. A motion was made by Jeff Hartman and seconded by Sara Schmitt to make the Market Animal Sale Committee a subcommittee of the Junior Fair. The motion carried.

Fairest of the Fair Committee:

Marilyn Heiman gave a report concerning the Fairest of the Fair Committee and some of the planning going into the event this year.

A motion was made to accept the other committee reports. A second was made and the motion carried as the reports were presented.

Fair Commission Update: Bob Ashbeck gave a brief update on the Fair Commission. Discussion followed. John Garbisch made a motion to approve the Fair Commission Update. Marilyn seconded. The motion carried.

Old Business:

Ratify Changes to the Bylaws:

A motion was made to ratify the changes of the Bylaws from the previous meeting. A motion was made by Andy Keogh and seconded by Ed Wagner to accept ratify the changes.

Review section of the Bylaws:

The Board went through a specific section of the Bylaws. Discussion followed during the reading of the section.

A recommendation was made to discontinue the Non-Fair Committee and merge that committee with the Marketing Committee.

A recommendation was made to change the verbiage in section 7.03 to include three Board members on each standing committee.

A recommendation was made to change the verbiage of section 8.01 on the recommendation of the Fair's attorney.

A recommendation was made to change the verbiage of section 8.04 to take out the word issued.

A motion was made by John Garbisch and seconded by Jeff Hartman to accept each

recommendation as stated. The motion carried.

Jeff Hartman made a motion to adjourn and the motion was seconded by John Garbisch.
The motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 10:00 PM.

Submitted by Andy Keogh
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