ROLL CALL:
Present: Board Members: Andy Keogh, Jeff Hartman, Jeff Viergutz, Larry Gilbertson, Lisa Blanchard (Jr. Fair), Sara Schmitt, Kathy Banks, Carol Kerper. Bob Ashbeck (County), Jason Zaleski (City)

Absent: none
Guest: Ken Zittleman

The meeting of the Central Wisconsin State Fair was called to order at 7:30 pm in the Fair Office boardroom. The meeting began with introductions as a new representative for the City was appointed, Jason Zaleski.

The orders of the Day were suspended to allow Ken Zittleman to address the BOD on the issue again of the nonprofit food vendor fee. A reduction is requested. Ken left the meeting and the meeting returned to the orders of the day.

Minutes of the March 21, 2016 Board Meeting It was moved by Andy Keogh, seconded by Jeff Hartman to approve the minutes as presented. Minutes were approved.

Executive Director’s Report: Adam Fischer provided an Executive Director report. The Premium Book is complete and available; The Entertainment Guide will go to print June 15th, available early July; Grandstand entertainment reserve seating is selling; Round Barn is sponsored by the Marshfield Clinic and we will host a ribbon cutting rededication of the Round Barn on Sunday afternoon. The BOD was invited to comment; The issue of the Horse Pull being discontinued. An offer from the Horse Pullers Association was presented to the Executive committee. The Pullers will run the show, charge an entry fee, and seek sponsorship; State Bank met with Adam about promises made last year by Jr Fair persons not followed through on. We will give them exposure in the entertainment Guide and additional signage. Adam will be the contact person moving forward; We will develop a policy for securing sponsorships.

President Larry Gilbertson presented the nominating committee report and recommendations. Committee met earlier this evening, two nominees are being offered for the BOD positions. Jeremy Carolfi, and Ed Wagner. Discussion and endorsements were heard. Andy Keogh moved and Kathy Banks seconded a motion to approve the nominees. Some background questions were asked and answered. These are positions that run until the December annual elections. They will be eligible at that time for reelection. The BOD approved the nominees.

Financial Report: Larry Gilbertson directed the board to the balance sheet and reviewed all the account balances. Jeff Hartman moved to accept the financial report. Carol Kerper seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
Consent Agenda: Includes: Capital Improvement committee: The stage project will be postponed until 2017 due to time limitations. Discussion. No objections from the BOD to move forward to hire someone to develop specs for the project. The Multi-Purpose Building project is still moving forward towards a late Fall construction date. Executive Committee: nothing further.
Marketing Committee: Cathy Banks reviewed billboards.
Jr Fair: Meets Wednesday evening.
Fair Commission Update: Bob Ashbeck commented on the approval by the Commission for the Market Sale committee to install a plastic tube ventilation system in the sheep swine barn. The Market Sale committee is responsible for maintaining the system; The management of the Stage, following construction, was discussed.

Jeff Hartman moved, Jason Zaleski seconded, and the reports were approved as presented.

Review of the organizational flow chart for the operation of the Fair. Adam Fischer explained and commented. Other discussion. Kathy Banks moved to approve the organizational chart, Jason Zaleski seconded. Additional discussion. Positions will be appointed by the Executive Director and reviewed each year. Motion carried.

New Business:

Jason Zaleski asked about the history of the request that came at the beginning of the meeting. Explanation was given. The issue will not be revisited.

Jeff Hartman asked if the upcoming policy for sponsorship should be brought to the attention of the Jr Fair. It was agreed that it should be included in the Jr Fair report that a policy is being developed.

It was moved by Jeff Hartman and seconded by Andy Keogh to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Recorded by: Larry Gilbertson
Submitted by Kathy Banks, Secretary: ____________________