

Menominee County Fair Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 18, 2016
MSU Extension Office
6:30p.m.

Meeting was called to order at 6:35 by President Larry Roetzer. Jerry made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Glen. Agenda was approved.

Board members present: Larry Roetzer, Carol Quist, Phyllis Kaczmarczyk, Kris Havelka, Glenn Hanson, Jerry Piche, and Fair manager Sandy Paschke

Guests included: Ed and Sandy Granquist, Lindsay Kozikowski, 2015 Queen Caitlyn Havelka and 2015 Princess Rebecca Havelka

No public comment.

Superintendent comments: Ed Grandquist questioned if the mini horse show would continue to run alternating with the draft horse show. Sandy replied that at this time the draft and miniature horse show will continue to alternate to eliminate dead space when the draft are harnessing.

Sandy made a motion to approve the secretary report, Jerry seconded. Motion passed. The treasurer's report was read and the current balance is \$25,310.78. Phyllis made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and Glenn seconded it. Motion passed.

The Stephenson High School Gym has been reserved for the fall festival on November 5, 2016.

The status of the horse arena grant has still not been announced. The board decided to purchase the material needed for the ring, because the ring presents a safety hazard in its current state. The purchase was made through Tractor Supply for panels and t-posts. The ring will be assembled with volunteer help.

The lawn tractor pullers are not coming back they had complaints about the pulling surface of the track having too many rocks. The rock caused several pullers to wreck there tires.

Another idea for this time frame on Saturday would be ATV pulls. Glenn will talk to Cozzy's and see if there is any interest in these people coming. They may have the same track issues.

Large activity tent previously sponsored by Angeli's is rented from K & M Rental. Larry will approach Jacks and see if they are interested in sponsoring the tent this year. Sandy will place an order for the tent, tables, chairs and toilets from K & M Rental. A suggestion was made to check prices from Stenberg in Escanaba for next year.

Ron Cocco will arrange for the music entertainment for Friday night. He will also have speaker systems available for the livestock shows.

Carney Free Church will set up the Sunday service at the park. Phyllis made a motion to donate to the church for providing the service. Kris seconded, motion passed. Ed will ask the Carney String Band if they are available to play on Sunday for the service and provide music on Saturday for 1 ½ hours and we would pay them \$150.

Board members were encouraged to find vendors for the park for the fair weekend.

Carol made a motion to ask the county board for the same monies as last year. \$6,000 for the operational budget for the fair and \$4,000 for the fair manager. Phyllis seconded the motion. Motion passed and a letter will be sent to the county board for these requests.

Carol is in charge of hanging the biosecurity posters at the fair, warning individual to wash their hands after touching any livestock.

Carol stepped up to organize ladies day activities. A suggestion was made to contact Prickly Pear as a guest speaker and maybe to also have the ability to make a craft to take home.

Phyllis will contact Lithocrafters for the posters advertising the fair. Ed Grandquist will contact Pepsi for five new roadside banners. The previous banner are in tough shape.

Gerry will contact Bill Hafeman for a golf cart for the fair manager.

Glenn will ask Cozzy's for a bike helmet for 3rd prize for the kid's day bike drawing. Sheryl Schrot is getting business donations for the bikes.

FFA will be invited to participate in the fair.

Sandy suggested that new t-shirt are made for next year's fair. Members suggested a logo contest as well as a fair book cover contest. Lindsay Kozikowski prices shirts at Image Works in Menominee. Price is one color logo on a shirt for \$7.50 each. Shirt logo and book cover contest will be added to the agenda in January.

Menominee Co. Farm Bureau and Young Farmers are hosting a recycled boat race at the park on Saturday afternoon. Race starts at 4pm. Contest is open to anyone 12 years and older. Contestants must sign a liability waver to participate. Packets for instructions and rules are available at the Annex in Stephenson.

Jerry made a motion to adjourn, Kris seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Next meeting is June 15th.

Kristin Havelka
Secretary

Approved 6.15.16