

Mercer County Fair Association

1400 Hwy 49 N #103, Beulah, ND 58523

MEETING MINUTES

Beulah Civic Center

October 16, 2018

2018 Fair Board Directors

Lenny Tesky, President
Corey Voegelé, Vice President
Donna Buchmann, Treasurer
Craig Askim, Secretary
Rick Bauman
Laura Benz
Judy Brunmeier
Renee Carlson
Vern Muscha
Gloria Olheiser
Chris Renner
Shanan Weigum
Stacy Welk

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Corey Voegelé.

Members Present: Laura Benz, Judy Brunmeier, Donna Buchmann, Renee Carlson, Vern Muscha, Gloria Olheiser, Chris Renner and Corey Voegelé

Members Absent: Rick Bauman, Lenny Tesky, Stacy Welk and Shanan Weigum

Secretary's Report: Laura moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the September 18, 2018 meeting. Chris seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Donna reported there is a balance of \$77,559.50. Vern moved to approve the report. Gloria seconded. Motion carried.

Correspondence: none

Old Business:

- **Fairground Improvements –**
 - Wash Rack - Vern reported that a plan is in place but they need to find the curb stop. Laura suggested calling Gordon Schmidt to see if he knows the location.
 - Panels – The board will find out how many panels stored at the city shop belong to the fair board and may move them to the fairgrounds. They may purchase smaller, lighter ones for the beer garden.
 - Front of Civic Center – The board is seeking options to fill space in front of the civic center during the fair, maybe more outside vendors or farm equipment.
 - Parking Lot – Vern talked to Kenny Yeager about parking lot repairs.
 - Stage – Vern presented stage options per his visit with the Oliver County Fair Board. It would cost \$1,000 a day to rent their stage. Following expressed concern that the overall length was too big while the stage size was the same as the current stage, the board decided this was not the best option.
- **2018 Dakota Fairs & Celebration Convention –** The N.D. State Fair Convention is November 15-17, at the Ramkota in Bismarck. Renee moved to allow up to \$300 to be spent on the hospitality room at convention if the room is available. The room would be open Thursday and Friday nights of convention and would have to be manned by someone at all times. Gloria seconded. Motion carried.
- **New Fair Logo -** Craig suggested having the Beulah High School art classes design new potential fair logos. Designs would have to be submitted by January 15, when

the board would pick a winner. Laura moved to award the person with the winning logo, \$100. Vern seconded. Motion carried.

New Business:

- **Annual Meeting** – Renee moved to schedule the Fair Board Annual Meeting for January 15, 2019, at 7 p.m. CST at the Beulah Civic Center. Gloria seconded. Motion carried.
- **2019 Fair Dates** – The board approved the 2019 fair dates of July 11-14. Set-up will be July 9.
- **Sub-committees** – Vern and Gloria presented a draft outline of sub-committees for the fair. The list included job duties and the number of people that should be on each committee.

Laura moved to delay approval of the sub-committee list until the February 2019, meeting. Renee seconded. Following much discussion, Laura called for the question. Motion failed.

Vern moved to table the sub-committee review until the November 20, meeting and asked board members to bring ideas for committees to that meeting. Gloria seconded. Motion carried.

- **N.D. State Fair Delegate** - Laura moved to appoint Chris as the Mercer County Fair Board delegate to the North Dakota State Fair annual meeting on November 15 in Bismarck. Vern seconded. Motion carried.
- **Boat/Camper Storage Request** – Gloria presented a request she received from individuals asking to store boats and campers outside on the fairgrounds. Following discussion, the board agreed that this is something they are not interested in doing for various reasons.
- **Freezer for Beer Garden** - Laura asked if she could purchase a second used freezer for the beer garden for \$75. Gloria seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting: November 20, 7:30 p.m., Beulah Civic Center

The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Submitted by:

Craig Askim,
CEA/Fair Board Secretary