

MINUTES

White County Agricultural Association Meeting Wednesday, October 18, 2017, 7:00 PM 4-H Building, Reynolds, IN

Present – Ron Byrd, Cindy Campbell, Andrea Cole, Brandon Foutch, Samantha Foutch, Randy Freshour, Luke Furrer, Joann Hoyt, Marleta Misch, Kena Phimmasen (Jr. Leader Representative), Sara Shelton, and Kim Stockment.

Absent – Suzette Alma, Chad Dahlenburg, Joe Demerly, Roger Geisler, Cindy Griffin, Rodney Hall, Mark Helms, Matt Holderly, Phil Hunt, Kevin Kelley, David Reiff, Denise Schroeder, Andy Stoll, Steffanie Warren, Adam Wasson, and Andrew Westfall.

Guests Present – Laura Chapman and Deb Foutch.

Call to Order – Randy Freshour, President, called the meeting to order.

Lack of Quorum – As a quorum of voting members was not met, the meeting consisted of discussion only. No motions were entertained, and no votes were taken.

Secretary's Minutes – The minutes of the September 19, 2017 meeting were presented but could not be approved.

Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's report was presented but could not be approved.

Jr. Leader Report – Per Kena Phimmasen and Andrea Cole, the Junior Leaders met on September 25th for some team-building exercises and pizza. Their next meeting is at Exploration Acres on October 21st.

4-H Enrollment Update – Per Andrea Cole, enrollment for members and volunteers began on October 1st. She did not have any enrollment numbers to report.

Committee Reports

- **Grounds – Chad Dahlenburg – No Report Available from the Chair**
 - **Goat Barn Expansion** – Per Randy Freshour, he signed the contract with FBI. The Goat Club has almost enough funds for Phase 1 and needs to raise only a little more. Site work is scheduled to begin on Saturday, October 28th. Randy will have the water shut off to the area by then.

- **Event – Sara Shelton**
 - **Entertainment** – Kim Stockment recently spoke with Jeff Apple of Apple Sound, and he expressed his willingness to help locate acts. She will give him the 2017 budget amount as a ballpark figure. Joann Hoyt suggested some type of Christian-themed act for Sunday. Jeff also said he could fill spare time with karaoke.
 - **Sound** – Several issues/areas relating to sound were discussed, including the poultry and rabbit shows, all over the grounds for general announcements, the expanded goat barn, and the locations of sound equipment near the stage. Kim will relay these concerns to Jeff Apple.

- **Development – Adam Wasson – No Report Available from the Chair**

- **4-H Programming – Suzette Alma – No Report Available from the Chair**
 - **Building Exhibit Committee** – Per Joann Hoyt, the Building Exhibit Committee is meeting on Tuesday, October 24th to discuss some issues from the 2017 Fair and ideas for 2018.

Unfinished Business

- **Constitution and Bylaws** – Only 3 members of the Executive Board were present at the October 10th meeting, so changes to the Constitution and Bylaws were tabled. Another Executive Board meeting has been scheduled for November 2nd at 7:00 PM.
- **Grounds Rental Contract** – This issue was also tabled at the October 10th Executive Board meeting and will be discussed at the November 2nd meeting.

New Business

- **Proposed Rule Changes for 2018** – The proposed changes were tabled until the November 15th meeting.
- **Possible Replacements for Board Members Going Off** – The Nominating Committee will meet in early November to finalize a slate of new members to present to the full board for approval on November 15th. To date, the following individuals have expressed an interest: Melissa Danner (Big Creek), Amara Sanders (Big Creek), Baily Tanner (Big Creek), Bill Geisler (Jackson), and Jon Tebo (Lincoln). An additional nominee is still needed from Lincoln Township.
- **2017-2018 Committee Sign-Up** – Andrea Cole passed around the committee sign-up sheet.
- **New Pens for the Sheep Barn** – Per Cindy Campbell, the Sheep Committee would like to buy new pens like those used in the goat barn. They are seeking bids and will use the funds in the sheep barn account and do some fundraising to cover the costs.
- **Trash Cans Still Need Cleaned from Fair** - Randy Freshour asked for volunteers to help with pressure washing and disinfecting the trash totes on Saturday, October 21st at 8:00 AM. Sara Shelton will post it on Facebook.

- **4-H Online Volunteer Enrollment** – Andrea Cole reminded everyone to complete the online enrollment process as soon as possible.
- **Other**
 - **Kappa Kappa Sigma Booth** – Laura Chapmen, Treasurer of Kappa Kappa Sigma Sorority, stated they are a 501(c)(3) organization and have the enviable problem of having too much money. They would like to donate to the Ag Association for a specific project and asked for a list of priorities to help them make a choice. Cindy Campbell will email her a list of potential projects/upgrades. Per Laura, KKS would also like to improve and possibly expand their booth. Randy Freshour asked her to create a proposal and present it to the board at a future meeting. Kim Stockment mentioned their rent may be reduced in consideration of the improvements. KKS may also add fryers and start serving breakfast to give them a competitive edge. It was also suggested that they open the booth on Wednesday and Thursday before the Fair since there are so many people on the grounds for judgments. In response to a question from Laura regarding closing time on the last day of the Fair, Kim answered it would be in their contract for next year and may change due to the earlier auction start time in 2018.
 - **Thank You Note** – Andrea Cole read a thank you note from Elizabeth Alma, Poultry Club leader.
 - **Annual Meeting** – The Executive Board will discuss ideas for the annual meeting and present them at the November 15th meeting.

Upcoming Dates – Randy Freshour reminded directors to review the upcoming date listed on the agenda.

Adjourn – The meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Campbell, Secretary.