

## MINUTES

### **White County Ag. Association Meeting Tuesday, February 16, 2016, 7:00 p.m. 4-H Building, Reynolds**

**Call to Order** – Jeff Campbell

**Secretary's Minutes** – Kim Stockment - Andrew moved to accept, motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report** – Marleta Misch

- Marleta explained the yellow Profit/Loss sheet. All breakdowns are now combined, but are still separated in the computer. This was done to help simplify the reporting at each meeting.
- Joann moved to move the interest money into the general fund, totaling \$586.04
  - o Questioned if we would move this yearly or a one-time move.
  - o Seconded and passed.
- Questions were answered about how Farm Safety event raises money – they solicit booster funds in the name of Farm Safety Event – as a tax write off.
- Questions were also answered about how the exec board arrived at the provided budget numbers.
- Moved and seconded to approve the treasurers report.

**Jr. Leader Report**

- Alexie Schroeder reported on behalf of the Junior Leaders. The group went skiing last month and will be volunteering at the food pantry in March.

**Special Guest:**

Keith Kochert, Prairie Timbers Coonhunters Club

- Keith is the President of the local club and they are looking to apply to host the 2017 UKC Kennel Days, June 8-10, 2017. This is a three day hunting event, expecting over 600 dogs and 1500 people.
  - o Needs assessment:
    - 4-6 buildings, (Arena for show, sheep barn for dog tie-outs, food vendors, pavilion for seating, restrooms, and 4-H Building for HQ) as well as spaces for camper availability and truck parking.
  - o 24 states represented - whole family affair
  - o 4-H clubs are welcome to host the concession stands; though more feasible to allow food vendors to just open up their stands – needs to be open 24/7 for 3 days
  - o Thursday night the English Association hosts a paid per plate dinner – might be a fundraiser opportunity for a 4-H Club or Junior Leaders.
- Noise ordinance, Security & Waste Handling – who would need to handle that?
- No Alcohol/no firearms
- Looking at about \$3000 budget
- Potential for 20 vendors to set up in an outdoor facility (lockable preferred)
- Moved to refer to commercial committee to help come up with numbers and feasibility of hosting this event.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Arena**

- Cindy asked about pressure washing/cleaning the interior of the arena – could Junior Leaders do this?
- Matt Holderly offered a pressure washer & airless sprayer.
- Randy Freshour offered to look into pricing and will report back next month.

### **Audit/Budget**

-Club Audits are up for review, Exec Committee will review this.

### **Awards**

- Dana reported the committees proposal for a White County 4-H Volunteer Award
- Chad suggested proposing this as more of a volunteer Hall of Fame
- Joann suggested moving more toward a Leader Award, Innovator Award & In the Trenches Award
- Suggested that the 10 years doesn't have to be solely completed in White County
- Committee will review comments and tweak proposal

### **Booster Club**

- Envelopes were stuffed, and day sponsors have already come back.

### **Commercial**

- Donkeyball Proposal
- Thursday, March 10 at 6:30pm
- Commercial Com receives 50% of ticket sales
- Can make additional income on concessions, etc.
- Would need to include a special event endorsement for the day of the event - \$200 that will come out of the commercial committee budget
- Stef sent around a sign up for tasks to help that evening

### **Grounds**

- Randy asked if we wanted to pursue camper hookups
  - o Many suggested waiting on feasibility study

### **Program**

- Applied for Nipsco Grant
- Wanting to meet or exceed last year's performances
- Wanted rating on four groups:
  - o Marshall Tucker Band
  - o Grand Funk Railroad
  - o Bellamy Brothers
  - o Little Texas

### **Queen**

- Jan wants to schedule a meeting with Long Range Planning to continue to make a plan to move stage progress forward.
- Long Range Plan group to provide a meeting date to Jan.

### **Feasibility Study**

- Deadline for them to return a draft to the committee is March. Committee will evaluate their proposal and return changes to them by April.

### **Other**

## **Unfinished Business**

- Updated Directors List/Ag Association Calendar
  - Let Candis know if there are changes that need to be made to the sheets provided.
- 4-H Volunteer Enrollment
  - People need to get volunteer applications turned in ASAP.
  - Minors Training has got to take place ASAP as well.
  - These are requirements that MUST be done.

## **New Business**

- Use of Building for Advanced Credit Examinations
  - District Director and Purdue are looking for a place to do Advanced Credit Exams for area high school students in the month of May. A few days a week, a few hours a day.
  - Joann moved to allow Purdue to use our space. Seconded and Passed.
- Ag Association Chicken Dinner Fundraiser
  - Andy Stoll moved to cancel chicken dinner at 4-H Fair. Seconded. Approved.
- 4-H Building Sound System in North End
  - Ron moves that we hire someone to fix the portable system in the north end of the building. Seconded. Passed. Denise will follow up
- Other
  - Joann mentioned that the Coon hunting club had no idea about our grounds, mentioned that it's a marketing problem amongst local to White county folks.
  - Request from Brenda Jones to use this facility for Special Persons Expo in August.
    - Dana moved, seconded and motion passed. Request will be passed on to Holeman's for scheduling.
  - Chad Mayhill – wants to do the garden tractor pull and would like to rent the property on May 14 or 21<sup>st</sup> to do an afternoon show.
    - Randy moved to allow garden tractor pull to happen noon-3pm on Saturday

## **Upcoming Dates**

- ◆ 4-H Beef Weigh-in, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 8 a.m.-10 a.m., 4-H Fairgrounds
- ◆ Ag Day – Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., 4-H Fairgrounds
- ◆ Fairgrounds Cleanup – Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 9 a.m., 4-H Fairgrounds

## **Ron Byrd moved to adjourn**

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 15, 7:00 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds**