

MINUTES
White County Agricultural Association Meeting
Saturday, January 16, 2021
4-H Building, Reynolds, IN

Present-Lauren Dimmitt, Lane Blackman, Roger Geisler, Kahley Mayotte, Luke Furrer, Bob Oliver, Rodney Hornback, Betty Kelly, Bryan Gretencord, Jon Tebo, Randy Freshour, Cindy Griffin, Vivian Hornback, Rodney Hall, April Hall, Trent Hall, Samantha Foutch, Baily Tanner, Kevin Kelley, John Gooding, Deb Foutch, Jeremy Lemming, Jared Baer, Miranda Furrer, Denise Schroeder, and Andrew Westfall

Not Present-Kyle Arvin

Guests-none present

Call to Order-President, Luke Furrer, called the meeting to order at 10:05am.

Secretary's Minutes-On a motion by Deb Foutch and seconded by Cindy Griffin, the minutes from the November 4, 2020, meeting were approved as written. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report-John Gooding was present to report with assistance from Kevin Kelley. Total funds were discussed. The administration committee will meet to get a budget put together before the February meeting. John asked that members submit documentation when asking for reimbursement for expenditures. A motion was made by Trent Hall to accept the Treasurers report. This was seconded by Bryan Gretencord. The motion passed.

4-H Update-Miranda was present to report. Online volunteer training is now required yearly with the new 4-H online system. Scholarship deadline is January 25th. Two new spark clubs are getting started. Miranda is putting together a virtual spark club on natural resources. A bottle calf spark club will also be starting up. White County Jr. Leaders will be hosting an area wide Jr. Leader retreat out at Camp Tecumseh in April.

Jr. Leader Report-Miranda presented. Starting in February Murphy Misch and Jillian Norris will be serving as the Jr. Leader representatives for the Ag Association meetings. The January Jr. Leader meeting was canceled. Miranda would like to see the Jr. Leaders take more control of their club. Miranda and the officers will be meeting to plan for the year.

Committee Reports

- **Grounds**- Trent Hall was present to report. Andy Lanoue will be putting slits in the concrete curbing so the water can drain out from the downspouts. The new gutters were installed. Roger Geisler will be fixing the dairy bar door due to it blowing open in the wind. Trent set the fairground leaf clean up day for March 6th at 8:00am. The grounds committee will be setting up a date and time to clean up the stumps around the fairgrounds. The committee plans to get the waterline project started as soon as

possible. It was mentioned that there are trees around the fairgrounds that need to be trimmed.

- **Event-** April Hall was present to report. Denim and Diamonds will not be taking place this year due to Covid restrictions. April is starting to contact vendors and possible entertainment to try to get things lined up for the fair. April mentioned possibly hosting some entertainment on the fairgrounds before the fair if we are not able to have an actual fair this year.
- **Development-** Samantha Foutch was present to report. The committees for sponsor management and administration will both be meeting in the near future.
- **4-H Programming-** Betty Kelly was present to report. There was nothing new to report for 4-H programming.

Unfinished Business:

- **2021 Committee Signup-**This was passed around during the meeting for individuals to sign up.
- **Accounting Software-** John Gooding reported. The executive committee voted to use Quickbooks as the accounting software for 2020 and organize a committee to review other software options. John mentioned that there is software out there that could be very helpful for fundraising.

New Business:

- **New Beef Class-Bottle Calf SPARK Club-** Bryan Gretencord and Miranda Furrer reported. Morgan Gretencord and Tara Dahlenburg will be leading the new club. A spark club is a short term club for 4-Hers grade 3-12 that has an education requirement of 6 hours. They will be focusing on husbandry, nutrition, how to prep your animal for show, grooming, etc. The kids will show bottle calves at the fair as part of the beef show in their own class separate from the other prospect calves. Next year the kids can show the same calves as market beef. It was discussed that the kids that do not want to continue with the project the second year would run their calves through the auction. They plan to have a buyer there for these calves. Denise mentioned in the past we have sold starter steers in the auction and Purdue's policy was that calf could be shown by another kid the following year. It was discussed that supplies donated can be taken care of by the club. All monetary donations need to come through the ag association treasurer for tracking purposes.
- **Civil Rights, ADA, and EEO-** Andrew Westfall reminded everyone that we recognize the civil rights act, ADA, and EEO.
- **YQCA Coupon Codes-** Miranda Furrer reported. There are 85 coupon codes leftover from last year that are available in the office for 4-Hers to use towards in person YQCA training. The training costs \$3 per child. Miranda is hoping to host sessions at the fairgrounds starting in March.
- **Covid 19 Vaccination Station-** Luke Furrer reported. The county commissioners mentioned to Luke that the Health Department would like to use the Extension Homemakers building as a Covid 19 vaccination station. A motion was made by Deb

Foutch to let the Health Department use the extension homemaker's building free of charge as long as they provide an insurance certificate. This was seconded by Vivian Hornback. The motion passed.

- **Shirts-** Luke Furrer reported that April Hall would like to update the Ag Association shirts. April will get options together for the next meeting.
- **County Recycling Center-** Luke Furrer reported. The county is trying to get a variance so that they do not have to exchange any property or move the fence.

Upcoming Dates

- Online 4-H enrollment is open until May 15th. <https://v2>.
- March 6th – leaf clean up 8:00am

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 3rd at 7:00pm, 4-H building, Reynolds

Adjourn- The meeting adjourned at 11:45am.