

MINUTES

White County Agricultural Association Meeting Tuesday, July 17, 2017, 7:00 PM 4-H Building, Reynolds, IN

Present – Suzette Alma, Ron Byrd, Cindy Campbell, Andrea Cole, Chad Dahlenburg, Joe Demerly, Samantha Foutch, Randy Freshour, Roger Geisler, Cindy Griffin, Matt Holderly, Joann Hoyt, Kevin Kelley, Marleta Misch, Kena Phimmasen (Jr. Leader Representative), Denise Schroeder, Sara Shelton, Kim Stockment, Andy Stoll, Steffanie Warren, Adam Wasson, and Andrew Westfall.

Absent – Brandon Foutch, Luke Furrer, Rodney Hall, Mark Helms, Phil Hunt, and David Reiff.

Guests Present – Chris Alma, Scott Griffin, and Mya Holderly.

Call to Order – Randy Freshour, President, called the meeting to order at 7:16 PM as building set-up had taken longer than expected.

Secretary's Minutes - On a motion by Joe Demerly and seconded by Kim Stockment, the minutes of the June 20, 2017 meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report – Cindy Griffin presented the treasurer's report. The audit report has not been received yet. The treasurer's report will stand until the audit report is received.

Jr. Leader Report – Per Kena Phimmasen, the Junior Leaders met before helping with building set-up. Members signed up for committee work during the Fair, and the Indiana Beach/Madam Carroll outing in June and the blood drive on July 25th were discussed.

4-H Enrollment Update – Andrea Cole reported FairEntry closed on July 1st for live animal projects and on July 15th for all other projects. Some live animal exhibitors that missed the July 1st deadline have since paid the late fees to allow them to exhibit.

Committee Reports – Chad Dahlenburg

- **Grounds**

- **Water Line and Fairgrounds Road** – The water main is done, and Fairgrounds Road was also straightened but not paved. A tile near the swine barn was broken and must be repaired, and the County may be able to help with this. In response to a question from Cindy Griffin, Chad Dahlenburg responded that the areas where digging occurred will be solid enough to support many vehicles and trailers.

- **Light Bulbs** – Denise Schroeder reminded the Board that all the bulbs need to be put in all the barns, buildings, etc. A discussion followed regarding how this process was handled in the past and how it may be handled this year and in the future.
 - **Sound** – Kim Stockment provided an update from Apple Sound. Two speakers will be replaced in the swine barn, and the wires to the goat barn need to be replaced as they were cut during work on the new stage. Jeff Apple will be here early Friday to finish setting up.
 - **Parking** – Cindy Griffin asked (for Ron Byrd) if there would be ropes in the parking lots on the south of the 4-H Building and west of the swine barn to designate lines. Chad Dahlenburg responded that Emergency Management used to put up ropes but stopped doing it because people ran into them so frequently.
 - **Waste Management** – Per Randy Freshour, the dumpsters will be delivered by Waste Management on Thursday and Friday.
 - **Stage** – Per Scott Griffin, the new stage will be ready by Friday. Kim Stockment suggested the flat benches used in the vendor area in the past be moved directly in front of the stage with bleachers placed to the sides.
 - **Golf Carts** – Per Chad Dahlenburg, some extra golf cart parking spots will be added for Reynolds residents who are not camping but want to park nearby. There was also some discussion about prohibiting town residents from driving golf carts within the grounds. Only emergency personnel and authorized volunteers will be allowed to drive within the grounds. All board members are responsible for policing golf cart use just as they do with animals that are not 4-H exhibits.
 - **Campground** – Per Chad Dahlenburg, a restroom trailer could be rented for \$1800 for the week. It would be placed on the northwest corner of the campground and used by campers and other Fair-goers. Kevin Kelley stated \$1000 has been donated to the campground. Adam Wasson moved to rent the restroom trailer and pay for it with \$1000 from the donation and \$800 from campground funds. Kim Stockment seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- **Event – Sara Shelton**
 - **Commercial** – The locations for all vendors except one have been determined, and the tents will be delivered on Thursday.
 - **Campground** - Thirty sites were booked during the first half hour of registration on July 8th, and a few more have been booked since then. In response to a question from Cindy Campbell, she answered that campers must provide their own fire rings, but there are no size restrictions on the rings, and they do not have to be raised.
 - **Day Sponsors** – Per Cindy Griffin, there are 5 days sponsors, and all wish to utilize the provided tent space, table, and chairs.

- **Other Events** – Joann Hoyt asked where the pigeon rolling demonstration could be held, and Andy Stoll asked where Barnyard Olympics would be held. Sara Shelton or other members of the Event Committee will assist in finding locations for these events.
- **Fireworks** – In response to concerns about the proximity of the fireworks, Chad Dahlenburg responded they will set off approximately 1300 feet away from the swine barn, and they will be positioned to project away from the Fairgrounds.
- **Development – Adam Wasson – Nothing to Report**
- **4-H Programming – Suzette Alma**
 - **Ultimate Showmanship** – Ron Byrd reported the women who organized this event in the past are not helping this year. Cindy Campbell volunteered to manage the contest, and Ron, Joann Hoyt, and Randy Freshour offered to help. Per Andrea Cole, a judge has been hired.
 - **Screens in Arena** – Per Ron Byrd, the total cost for the screens, mounts, wiring, etc. is approximately \$7600, \$6500 of which has already been allocated or donated. However, Wal-Mart's donation was \$1000 less than anticipated, and the Auction Committee decided to hard-wire the screens to the network rather than use WIFI, which is more expensive but also more reliable. Adam Wasson moved to allocate \$1100 out of the auction account to complete the project. Joann Hoyt seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business

- **Fair Office Sign-up** – Andrea Cole distributed the sign-up sheet for Fair Office duty again because there are still several open shifts.
- **Fair Clean-Up, July 28th, 8:00 AM** – Randy Freshour reminded everyone about clean-up the morning after the Fair. As usual, Co-Alliance will provide breakfast.
- **Overnight Security** – Ron Byrd asked if people doing overnight security should also walk through the campground. After a brief discussion, Chad Dahlenburg stated they should stay on the main side of the Fairgrounds.

New Business

- **Donated Picture for Auction** – Per Denise Schroeder, a White County 4-H supporter has donated a picture worth approximately \$125 with the idea that it could be sold during the auction with the proceeds going to the Ag Association, as the wood carvings were sold last year. Selling the picture and the carvings by silent auction was discussed as a better alternative. Ron Byrd moved to sell the picture and wood carvings through a silent auction to be set up in the 4-H Building. Andy Stoll seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- **Other**

- **Bleachers** – Suzette Alma asked that some bleachers be moved to the grassy area on Pine Street for the Tractor Operator's Contest on Saturday. Randy Freshour will move some there. Per Chad Dahlenburg, Honey Creek Township has four sets of bleachers that could be borrowed during the Fair.
- **Thank You Notes** – Andrea Cole read two thank you notes: one from Blayne Vandever thanking the Board for sponsoring his trip to 4-H Round-Up and one from Tyler Vandever thanking the Board for sponsoring his trip to 4-H Camp.
- **Highway Garage Employees** – Chad Dahlenburg moved to give meal tickets for the Pork Producers to highway garage employees and pay for them out of the general fund. Steffanie Warren seconded the motion. Motion passed. Extension Office staff will create the tickets.
- **ATM** – Randy Freshour is trying to get an ATM for the Fair, but it is tentative.

Upcoming Events – Randy Freshour reminded members to review the upcoming 4-H events and deadlines listed on the agenda.

4-H News and Announcements – Cindy Campbell reminded everyone to attend the awards program at 7:00 PM on Saturday and wear their new green shirts. Randy Freshour thanked everyone for their hard work on various projects around the Fairgrounds.

Adjourn – Ron Byrd moved to adjourn, and Andy Stoll seconded the motion. Motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Campbell, Secretary.