

Floyd County Fair Board Meeting  
Charles City FFA Classroom  
January 15, 2020

President Amy Staudt called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

Members present were: Troy Jaeger, Jen Schmitt, Mike Quade, Jeff Harris, Amy Staudt, Bruce Koebrick, Ben Kisch, Craig Anderson, Kerry Crooks and Rod Schmitt.

Secretary report was given: Troy Jaeger made a motion to approve, seconded by Mike Quade, motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Report was given by Craig. Mike Quade made a motion to approve the report, seconded by Troy Jaeger.

Committee Reports:

1. FFA Instructor's: Brett and Rod Frascht (Swine Superintendent) shared that they have been unable to find a different buyer for fair pigs. Tyson's will take our fair pigs, but they **MUST** be palien free. Exhibitors will be required to sign an affidavit ensuring that their animal was never fed palien.
2. Extension/4-H Committee: Working to secure judges for the fair and working on rule book. They have been working on Clover Kids policies and would like to encourage families to make sure they read correspondence thoroughly.
3. Rentals: None
4. Auction:None
5. Building & Grounds: None
6. Entertainment: Grant funding in the amount of \$8500 from the Floyd County Community Foundation will help to bring in the American Lumberjack Show and daily camps of log rolling and axe throwing for the fair.
7. Endowment: no new information
8. Fund-Raising: Jen will be sending show arena sponsorship letters during the first week in February and Amy will be sending letters out for banner sponsors. Troy made a motion, seconded by Jeff to have grand and reserve champions receive one banner for Fair 2020, rather than the two that some have been receiving. If an outside organization like the cattleman would like to do an extra plaque on their own that would be fine.  
Motion passed
9. Publicity: no new information
10. Refreshments and Vendors: no new information
11. Security: no new information
12. Off Fair Events: no new information
13. YEC: Hired Darci Tracey for YEC building position at \$13 an hour for an average of 10 hours per week with the probability of more hours during the busy season.
14. Crisis Management Team: Team will need to meet in the spring.
15. Superintendents: See FFA Instructor's section regarding swine update.
16. Volunteer Coordinator: no new information
17. Parking: no new information

Correspondence: Rockford FFA sent a Christmas Card, \$100 donation from Patty and Dennis Staudt, \$5000 from Rich and Barb Stewart for sidewalk path through the fairgrounds connecting

buildings, \$100 from Darbe & Co, and \$100 Karen Thomas and \$900 Krumweide memorial. Ron Jorgenson memorial is donating two benches for courtyard area. \$1000 donated by Lyle & Myrna Schlader for the YEC.

Mike Molstead Motors does a Drive for your community and has chosen the Fair this year to receive funds that are made. This has the potential for \$6000. It is set for Saturday, April 18 at the fairgrounds. Discussion was held on this event and it was decided that we would try to pair this event with a free will donation meal and give the community the opportunity to see our plans for the fairground rebuild.

Old Business:

1. Little Hands/bath house is confirmed with Morton, Mic Gage, and Stanton. Construction will begin late February or early March. Ron has completed the area prep and broke up the concrete.
2. Countryside Construction and Jed Construction are confirmed for the construction on the livestock barn.

New Business:

1. Amy met with Mic Gage and Stanton on the food stand/entertainment building to get estimates. Morton is working on numbers for the building and she is meeting with Countryside next week to get info as well and hope to have all in hand by month's end or early Feb. ONLY A guestimate but thinking we will be in the \$400,000 to \$450 mark for a 120x50 size which will hold max capacity of 280. Currently have \$210,000 from insurance and we will continue to apply for grant applications to help fundraising efforts.
2. Building Placements: Stanton is checking electrical placement to make sure it will work to rebuild the food stand building where it previously was with our other buildings that are being constructed and Mic Gage would like to connect into the septic when they are at the fairgrounds for Little Hands building before playground is installed. This will prevent having to dig up in that area in the future.
3. Estimates for the outdoor patio/shelter area came in at \$65,610.45 for the 120' x 40' structure. We can cut cost to \$37k if we go 40' x 60' and will still house 125 people on picnic tables comfortably. \$15,000 raised for the patio with another potential of \$6000 from Molstead and Amy is submitting other grants in February. A motion was made by Craig to proceed with the 40X60 option, seconded by Jeff. Motion passed.
4. Fair Association meeting is March 8 in Northwood, who will attend? Bruce, Jeff, Kerry or Craig turn.
5. Spring Fling is set for Friday, March 20, 2020. We will have a meal at 6:30 and auction as we have in the past. Amy will try to book a band in the \$500 range. This has been a very successful event for us in the past.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM Motion made by Craig Anderson to adjourn. Seconded by Troy Jaeger, motion passed.

Next Meeting: February 19, 2020 6:00 PM at the Floyd County Fairgrounds.

Minutes taken by Jen Schmitt