

**Floyd County Fair Board Meeting**  
**April 21 , 2021**

Called to order at 6:03 PM by Kelsey

Members present were: Drew Mitchell, Ben Kisch, Jen Schmitt, Mike Quade, Kelsey Uetz, Matthew Stille, Kurt Thorson, Amy Staudt, Matt Ross, Kerry Crooks, and Melissa Merriss.

Secretary Report: Jen read the minutes of the previous meeting. Kerry made a motion to approve, seconded by Drew, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Report was given by Melissa. Amy made a motion to approve the report, seconded by Kurt.

Committee Reports:

1. FFA Instructors:
  - a. Amy reported that the Rockford FFA would be donating planters to the fairgrounds.
  - b. Charles City FFA kids did an excellent job with the Spring Fling. Over \$12,000 brought in. They are also working on the painting of the Little Hands animals, transplanted trees at the grounds and will be painting poles on the show arena and sheep barn.
2. Extension/4-H Committee: Story Walk was a success, over 40 people at YQCA in person event, a letter has been sent out to alumni in hopes of getting funds for appliances for the new building.
3. Rentals-They are planning to have rentals out by May 1.
4. Building & Grounds: Discussion was held on the water line by the horse arena (this has been fixed), the waterway line was cut and will be spliced for now, discussion was held on what to do with the dirt pile on the east parcel, we will be hanging on to the dirt for now.
5. Entertainment: Agreement to rent 3 sets of bleachers for fair.
6. Fund-Raising: Spring fling brought in \$10,053.68 after advertising cost and \$2660 on the meal. All went to the building fund for landscaping and pergola. Wine pairing has been penciled in for Nov. 19, 2021.
7. Publicity: Try to share the things on Facebook that have been shared.
8. YEC: Currently \$61,970 in checking, starting to get busy with rentals.
9. Superintendents- Shannon shared that Sam Kruse is planning a pony show again for the Saturday of the fair.

Old Business:

1. Delivery of partial food stand building is set for next week with remainder mid to end May. Morton is a little behind on getting materials in. To date we are \$35,000 short to complete the project.
2. Little Hands-Kurt is going to need help with putting up the rest of the interior, CC FFA members will help.
3. Electrical update on maintenance building-electrical has been stubbed in so Justin can pour concrete.
4. Fair 2022 will be July 13-17
5. NIACC is planning to meet with Amy and Kelsey to look at the layout of the grounds next week.

New Business:

1. Discussion was held about setting dates for rentals and when water should be turned on and shut off, Amy suggested May 1-Sept. 30th. If someone is asking to rent we will work with them and let them know when water will be on.
2. We will be hosting the district meeting in Fall of 2022.

3. Fair work days will start on 5-19-21 prior to the start of the meeting.
4. We have a call in for a sound system estimate to get sound back in all buildings. Jim Roll has graciously offered to donate his time to help install.

Other business:

1. Tree spade was borrowed from the City of Osage and a donation was suggested. Ben made a motion that we give them \$50. Kurt seconded. Motion passed.
2. Amy presented the idea of having a ribbon cutting for the new buildings during the fair and all members agreed that would be a nice way to honor those that have donated and recognize them.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM Motion made by Kerry to adjourn. Seconded by Kurt, the motion passed.

Next Meeting: May 19, 2021, at 7:00. Work night will begin at 5:30

Minutes submitted by Jen Schmitt