

Floyd County Fair Board Meeting
January 20, 2021
Called to order at 6:31 PM

Members present were: Jen Schmitt, Mike Quade, Amy Staudt, Kelsey Uetz, Craig Anderson, Kerry Crooks, Matt Ross, Kurt Thorson, Rod Schmidt, Ben Kisch, Drew Mitchell, Melissa Merriss, and Jeff Harris.

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

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

Committee Reports:

1. FFA Instructor's: CC FFA instructors reported that they worked to get 400 pork loins donated from Iowa Select, meals were made for pick up on Christmas Eve, and officers have also made cookies that were donated to hospitals. Students are currently preparing for contests.
2. Extension/4-H Committee: Extension is starting to find fair judges, Beef ID's are due Feb. 1, the 4-H committee would like to still work on fundraising for the fairgrounds. Swine and sheep weigh in information will be coming out soon.
3. Rentals: Storage is full with the exception of Little Hands on the Farm building.
4. Entertainment: Brandi and Rod Schmidt and Jacie Garden and Ed are willing to help with entertainment. Little Hands will be the theme for the fair this year. There will be a \$30 punch card that will be available for purchase to get into grandstand events and there will be bands on Friday and Saturday night.
5. Endowment: Fair Society has a little over \$32,000 and the Quasi fund has \$21,941.
6. Fund-Raising: Rod has a friend doing a flyer for us for Entertainment, Banner and show arena sponsor letters will go out in February.
7. Publicity: Please continue to share, like or comments on our posts and if you are on as admin please keep adding things.
8. YEC: YEC committee met prior to the Fair Board Meeting. Spring Fling scheduled for April 9, 2021. Current Quickbooks balance is \$64,526.69 There are 18 wedding rentals scheduled for 2021 and 5 other paying events.

Correspondence: none

Old Business:

1. Amy and Kelsey attended the supervisors budget meeting and asked for \$50,000 towards the fairgrounds, we will not have an answer to this until March.
2. A portion of the concrete pile has been buried up top when the dirt work for the new building was done. The pit area is back to size at this time.
3. Discussion was held on information about holding a district fair, this will continue to be explored.

4. Kelsey and Melissa will attend the Fair Conference annual meeting Sunday, February 7, in Des Moines.
5. County Fair Relief Grant. Amy made a motion that we use this money for utilities, wages, management, pest control, LP, dumpsters, and insurance. Seconded by Mike, motion passed.

New Business:

1. NIACC President Steve Schulz and the CC School District have approached the fair board about the fairgrounds being a potential location of the Career Center; they will attend our February board meeting to share more information.
2. Reservations will be due on March 21 for the Spring District Meeting so we need to decide who will attend.
3. There is a to do list that would be nice to have completed by the start of the 2021 fair. Discussion was held on the items on the list and the finances available. A motion was made by Jeff to complete the to do list prior to fair (Concert the maintenance shed, Outdoor venue, Landscaping and Pergola, Livestock Barn Fencing, Grain Bin, Rain gutter on southside of livestock building), motion was seconded by Melissa. Motion passed.

Other Business:

1. CC FFA instructors brought up the need for space or an area for kids that don't live in rural areas to be able to raise pigs for fair, discussion was held and the instructors will continue to explore possibilities.

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM Motion made by Melissa to adjourn. Seconded by Kurt, motion passed.

Next Meeting: February 17 at 6:00 PM

Minutes taken by Jen Schmitt