South Lake County Agricultural Historical Society

Special Annual Meeting 9-12-2022

Bill Wiater called to order the Annual Meeting of the South Lake County Agricultural Historical Society for the purpose of election of officers and directors. There are 3 positions to fill for officers: Vice President, Assistant Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer. Nominations were taken from the floor, with no one being nominated and the nominations were closed. The ballot presented was, Kelly Miller as Vice President; Pam Heick as Assistant Treasurer; and Jim Burk as Chief Financial Officer. They were passed by unanimous vote. Officers' terms run for 2 years.

Board of Directors serve a one-year term. Nominations were taken from the floor with no one being nominated. The nominations were closed. The directors put forward through the Nominating committee were, Ira Biggs, Jerry Heick, Dave Kleine, Gloria Miller, John Berens, Greg Kleine, Ron Leighty, Jerry McGarr, Eric Zurbriggen and Sandy Stropky. There was a motion made by Dave Kleine to waive the minimum meeting requirement for the board of directors for this year, seconded by Ron Leighty and passed with one opposed. Motion to accept the presented slate for board of directors was passed. Motion to adjourn the special meeting was made by Jerry Heick and seconded by Anne Marie Wicik.

Board of Directors Meeting 9-12-2022

President Bill Wiater called to order the Board of Directors meeting of the South Lake County Agricultural Historical Society. We had a moment of silence for Orville Corns. Julie Fritz read the secretary's report. The motion to approve it as read was made by Jerry Heick and seconded by Jerry McGarr and passed.

Jerry Heick introduced Lucille White from Exceptional Equestrians Unlimited; they provide riding lessons for people with special needs. They are doing a fund raiser to help repair their barn that collapsed in 2020. On October 16, they are having a Color Run/Walk and would like us to provide hayrides for us with a tractor and people mover.

Old Business: The previous NAPA bill that was questioned last month was for the Fair board. A March pork chop dinner was discussed. There were quotes from LaCrosse Lions, they do fish fries, but we would really do all the work except frying the fish. Nelson's also included a quote depending on the number of dinners sold and what we would want. Yesteryears in Demotte would provide pork chops for \$4.29 per pound and they have various sides. It was also suggested that we investigate a pancake breakfast as well. There will be a workday on September 17, to look at the binder, sheller, tires and the running gear under the bundle rack. Buckley Homestead Days will be Oct 8-9. Anne Marie can't be there this year to run the pie booth, Sandy Stropky said she would oversee it this year. Joe Reed from the Lake

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County Parks Department was at the meeting and would like us to do everything we did last year. He suggested that we sell the pumpkins and corn stalks at the visitors center and then the customers wouldn't have to carry them to their cars as far. Bill will talk to Doug Luebcke about getting pie pumpkins again this year. The Tractor ride that was held on September 10 was discussed. They liked the route; the weather was nice. There was \$600 in income, \$285.23 in expenses with a net of \$314.77.

They thanked Niki and Jimmy Leighty for breakfast and being in the chase car. Octoberfest will be October 15 at the club buildings. Chicken will be provided, bring a dish to pass. It will be at noon with bingo and door prizes. Christmas party will be December 3. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased through PayPal and she will have a square reader at the party. Lori Zemaitis has tried to contact Round the Clock catering but didn't think they were still in business. Suggestions for catering was, Yesteryears, Stracks, Nelsons. We need volunteers to help, Anne Marie Wicik, Irene Doty, Nancy Kleine and Bill Wiater all volunteered. Jerry McGarr made a motion to purchase the Crown Point Volunteer Fire Dept raffle tickets for \$25, seconded by Anne Marie Wicik and passed. We started to get quotes for the deck on Farmers Hall, Deck Medic quote was for \$4550. We haven't received the quote from Timber Seal yet. It was suggested that we investigate staining the upright poles on the building as well. The car cruise at Wittenburg has been cancelled.

New Business: NIHPA would like to borrow our fuel tank and cookers. We would need to measure the fuel in it and it would need to be placed on a trailer to transport. Kelly Miller made the motion to ok to loan them the equipment, seconded by Anne Marie Wicik and passed with 1 opposed. Their show is September 23-25. They are also borrowing the Ding a Ling RR and we need to make sure the tires and bearings are ok; Dave Fritz will contact Mike Rippe about it. They also need volunteers for the gate, parking, and people movers as well as other areas. They would like to purchase the gravity wagon we have outside, but it was suggested that that wagon was better than the one we have inside. They will look at it on the workday and decide. With 10 board members now, we need to redo our show committee assignments. The raffle paperwork was sent to state. Kelly Miller reported on his application for a grant from the Crown Point Community Foundation for 2 new handicap people movers. He asked for a 75/25 grant and asked for \$15,000 with us providing \$5000. The people movers are like what is used at the apple orchard, but the people sit in the center and look out, there will be a ramp on the end and will have lighting. The dates for the show for next year will be July 7-9, those dates have been submitted to the fairgrounds. Our taxes for 2021 have been filed, currently we are \$100 below the threshold to file with the 990 EZ. Jerry Heick suggested that we do the wagon rides for the Color walk, and he would volunteer to do it. He would like to use the club's 400 but doesn't have a trailer that it will fit on, discussion was held regarding trailering or just driving the tractor and trailer there. Julie Fritz will contact the insurance company for the event.

Motion to adjourn was made by Raymond Mattox and seconded by Anne Marie Wicik at 8:22pm

Julie Fritz

Respectively submitted,

Secretary