

## South Lake County Agricultural Historical Society

### Board of Directors Meeting 10-10-2022

The board of directors meeting of the South Lake County Agricultural Historical Society was called to order by President Bill Wiater. We had a moment of silence for member Barbara Peterson. Julie Fritz read the secretary's minutes and a motion to approve them as read was made by Jerry McGarr and seconded by Anne Marie Wicik and passed.

Old Business: Christmas Party will be on December 3. Please bring a wrapped gift and a dozen cookies. Tickets will need to be purchased by November 14 through Lori Zemaitis. The caterer will be Lencioni's out of Lynwood and they have a 3-meat buffet for \$14.95. Eric Zurbriggen will speak with his brother Jimmy about harvesting our soybeans. On the workday this Saturday, they would like to bind the corn for the show next year and put away some of the equipment that was used at Buckley Homestead. Buckley Homestead Days went well, the weather was good, and we had some good volunteers. Sandy Stropky did the pies and her son sold pumpkins, corn, and gourds. The McLemores and Nichols cooked for the volunteers. The sawmill had some problems on Saturday, but Kelly Miller made some adjustments on Sunday morning, and it ran very well on Sunday. We do need to change the teeth on the blade, and we do have teeth to use. Sandy Stropky said they couldn't be on the porch but moved down to the sidewalk in front of the house. We didn't sell many corn stalks, we sold most of the 2 boxes of them that we had, as well as selling most of the pumpkins and Indian corn that we had, they bought the smaller ears of corn rather than the bigger ears. Next year we won't do corn bundles. It would be nice to have some volunteers to talk about what is happening as the sawmill is running. Oktoberfest will be this Saturday, Jim Burk will get the chicken, 50 legs and 20 breasts. Bring a dish to pass. It will start at noon, and we will be doing bingo. Julie Fritz reported that the insurance was okayed for the Equestrian Color walk. Kelly Miller reported on the grant applications from the Crown Point Community Foundation. We did get a \$5000 challenge grant; they will match up to \$5000 that we raise. We cannot use our funds for this but need to get donations. We have until March 21 to raise \$5000. Bill Waiter spoke with Chris Orange from Buckley, and he was going to talk with their board to see about donating to this and felt he may be able to get \$1500. They also spoke with John Marshall at the Fairgrounds, and he has already submitted the paperwork to the commissioners. The idea of doing a fund-raising meal in March was discussed, it was decided to think more about it and revisit it later.

New Business: We received a quote from Deck Medic, but after leaving multiple messages but haven't received anything yet but had said they wouldn't be able to do anything until the spring. They guys have identified some leakage in our buildings at the peak, it was discussed and decided to call FBI and see if they would check them out. We discussed the directors committee groups, there are now 10 directors, and another grouping was added to the list. The list was passed around and suggestions were made. It was discussed that these committee members need to be contacted and see if anything needs to be addressed. All budgets need to be submitted by the January Board meeting. Jim Burk would like to meet

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with Lori Zemaitis, Pam Heick, Bill Wiater, Kelly Miller and Julie Fritz regarding the treasury and budgeting and reports required for the budgets. If no budgets are turned in for an area, Jim Burk will make the decision. Bill Wiater reminded everyone to bring up any projects or expenditures that you identify. Kelly Miller would like Bill to double check with each board member on how things are

progressing and use that to drive the agenda. Jim Burk asked that each director bring one of their committee heads to a meeting to report what is being done. It was suggested to tap into different volunteer groups like the Key Club, Jr. ROTC and contact the Bike Saver Veterans. Gloria Miller made the motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Sandy Stropky. There were 11 board members and officers present, 4 non board members.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Fritz

Secretary