

South Lake County Agricultural Historical Society

Board of Advisors meeting March 22, 2021

The March Board of Advisors meeting was called to order by the President Bill Wiater. The minutes were not read out loud, but several copies were made and passed around and it will be posted on our website. Kim Peterson read the treasurer's report with a beginning balance of \$12,618.61 and an ending balance of \$13,168.61 and no outstanding bills. Devin Mueller motioned to pass and seconded by Jerry Heick and passed. The workday was this past Saturday, they got a lot done, put the 2 new blades on the edger, there was a set screw missing on the corn picker and was fixed, the skid steer needs a new tire, we got a quote for \$185.00. Devin Mueller motioned to get the tire fixed and Jerry Heick seconded, and it was passed. Bob Kester volunteered to bring the two blades from the sawmill and have them hammered, we have no prices yet, he is going to take them to Edgerton. Dan Klein motioned for the blades to be hammered and Gloria Miller seconded, and it was passed. Bill Wiater mentioned that the blades will be hammered the same day and brought back by Bob Kester. The next workday is April 17. The small spot we have beside the club buildings is designated for whoever wants to plant something back there, but it will be your job to maintain it, that means watering and keeping the weeds out. Perry McLemore would like to plant sweet corn, Bill Wiater Indian Corn, Sandy Stropky sunflowers and Sandy Strader glass corn and flowers. The crop committee is Dave Kleine. Bill Sanders auction is March 25 at his farm. Irene Doty's membership books were audited by Julie Fritz, the books were good, but she needs to separate the deposits by the years for QuickBooks and the memberships were updated and made a new spreadsheet, there are 269 total members. Kim Peterson asked if we need to send out reminders for members, the discussion was we don't need to send the reminders out. 2021 budgets need to be in by January, but since we didn't have a meeting then, they are now due by the next advisors meeting. Julie Fritz, Kim Peterson and Lori Zemaitis have been working on a new budget for 2021, but since we didn't have a show in 2020, they are having to do everything by hand. Show Operations Dan Klein handed out a spreadsheet for events on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. The hunt and Gather will be charged \$40 a booth, they will bring in a lot of people. The bounce house hasn't been contacted yet, but per the last conversation they will be charging \$5 a child with a wristband, and we will receive a percentage of the \$5 charge, but that isn't negotiated yet. Bean Bags tournament is on Friday, the spark show is Saturday. Jerry McGarr will ask the band if they are still interested, his name is Mike. Dan Klein will be in contact with everyone. Harvest Tyme will not be attending our show this year because they have a prior commitment. We still don't have anyone for the people movers, Dan might have someone to help with the sound systems, Bill Wiater said that we should start calling for volunteers. Julie Fritz started a letter for the fair board, we are on the calendar with the fairgrounds and are on the calendar for the 4-H building. We still need to set up a date with the fair board. As of now the board of health is saying wear masks and stay 6 feet apart so we need to wait for the governor, but everything is

a go if we're not in the red or orange. They have no idea when Bulldog Park will be opening, per Julie Fritz who spoke with Jennifer from Bulldog Park. Kim Peterson talked to Donna Kollak to see if she should send letters out to the vendors and the answer is yes. Donna will be sending out letters. Julie Fritz send out 41 emails to the pop-up market potential vendors. The sponsorship booklet is all full, we only had 2 refunds from last year. A thank you needs to be sent to Don Bales for supporting us for so many years. Sponsors will be asked next year if they would like an invoice or would they like it emailed to them. Northern Tool Supply is now set up for tax exemption. We were looking into renting fencing from Crown Point but are still waiting for a price. Discussion was held about adding an addition to one of the club buildings so we can have all our meetings and all our events except for the show. Dave Kleine had mentioned they had blueprints drawn up before with a kitchen, bathroom, and a meeting room Our taxes would go up our insurance would go up. They voted not to do it back then because it would have wiped out the savings. We are just speaking about it right now and looking for input. Kyle Molden has made a list of some of the tools we need and identified a lot of our tools. May 15 will be our Spring Fling; September 11 will be our Tractor drive; October 9 and 10 Buckley Homestead, October 16 Fall Festival. Meetings will be month by month we can use our own building until Bulldog Par opens. Kelly Miller mentioned the security light does not work. Devin Mueller said he will investigate the lights that go on from Dusk to Dawn and will have prices by the next meeting. Dave Fritz made a motion to send Don Bales a thank you, seconded by Kim Peterson and passed. Dave Fritz said we need a list for the things to request by the fair board. We need to contact Jack Rogers about the large signs and petting zoo. Bill Wiater will contact Perry McLemore about getting some small signs made. Jerry Heick oversees putting up small signs. Dan Klein mentioned there is a stump on the grounds and if anyone had a stump grinder, Devin Mueller said he would ask his friend. Ron Leighty made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dan Klein and passed. 17 Board members, 6 members.

Respectively submitted,

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