

Old Home Days Committee Meeting Minutes  
August 29, 2024

PRESENT: Rose Marie Semanski, Jodi Scanlan, Theresa Russell, Jon Lounsbury

1. The meeting was called to order at 7pm by Rose Marie Semanski

2. Financial Report

Income		Expenses		Funds Remaining	
Flamingos	3060	Merch & Misc	3253	Capital Reserve	2367
Sponsors	2050	Vendors	2175	2024 OHD	<u>994</u>
Misc. Other	<u>2273</u>	Advertising	<u>961</u>	Total	3361
Total	7383		6389		

3. Discussed Eliminating Friday. Other towns generally have 1 day event and with lack of volunteers it is too much to offer Friday night. Friday activities would move to Saturday and leave Sunday Historical Society events as they are. Mixed feelings about eliminating Friday, but committee agreed unless more volunteers activities only Saturday & Sunday.
4. Volunteers - difficult to have follow through and those who did were not entirely where they were needed. Next year we need to have a sign-up sheet with all volunteers and exact description of what is needed and where so easier for all.
5. Events that we may need to change:
  - A. Contra Dance was not well attended so unless we have Saturday night and can better advertise we may need to look into doing something else.
  - B. Fishing Derby - Very little interest. Eliminate and expand frog catching to include an activity such as frog races.
  - C. Pie Eating Contest/Banana Peeling - Not much adult interest. Considering Pie eating contest for children only potentially at the school during other activities.
  - D. Merchandise and Bake Sale bring in very little money - consider dropping which would allow vendors more opportunity for those sales.
  - E. Raffle - Not a lot of ticket sales. Need to do it differently. Common at craft fairs for vendors to donate something for raffle. Could do this, have all prizes and ticket sales on the common. Will discuss future meetings.
  - F. Games at school - Not enough volunteers to monitor. Corn Hole games were destroyed by kids who didn't go to the reptile show. Disappointing since they were loaned by residents for the event. Unless more people volunteer, yard/carnival type games will not be part of next year's event.
6. Vendors:
  - A. Axe Throwing, Bounce House and Foam Frenzy huge hit - book for Saturday
  - B. Face Painting everyone happy with - book for Saturday
  - C. Balloons mixed review, but most enjoyed - book for Saturday
  - D. Reptiles were really a hit, but with everything else Saturday not needed or change to something else so not repetitive. Magician or other maybe
  - E. Kona Ice - Did not have this year try for next year
  - F. Fatman's will return next year. Need to see about church.

7. Fire Dept. will BBQ again next year. Will ask to set up more tables in the common. They may also do a touch a truck event at the fire station following the parade next year.
8. The Historical Society said events were well attended Sunday and is willing to do Sunday events again with Town Band and ice cream at Park Hill and tours at both Red School House and Park Hill.
9. Parade, Car Cruise and Bingo were successful and the committee agrees that we will plan to do them all again. May add in another game at the Town Hall and have all vendors outside.
10. Fundraisers - Sponsorships and Flamingos were very successful and all agreed that we will do them again.
11. Meetings for 2025 Old Home Days will resume March/April 2025
12. Meeting adjourned 8:45pm

Respectfully submitted by,  
Jodi Scanlan