

MONTHLY MEETING – BARRON COUNTY FAIRBOARD

March 9, 2022 – 8:00 pm

Government Center – Room 110

Board Members	Present	Absent	Board Members	Present	Absent
Loren Amdall	X		John Banks	X	
John Blaskowski	X		Heather Colburn	X	
Jerry Donath	X		Sarah Doyan	X	
Bruce Kringle	X		Ken Kolzow	X	
Patty Mann	X		Cory Picknell	X	
Russ Rindsig	X		Kevin Roske	X	
Jacque Schaffer	X		Dwight Thurs		X
Amanda Librande		X			

Also Present: Karen Rindsig, Sara Waldron, and Melanie Donath.

Meeting was called to order at 8:03 pm by Russ Rindsig.

MOTION by John Blaskowski; seconded by John Banks to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

MOTION by Cory Picknell; seconded by Jerry Donath to approve the minutes from the October, 2021 meeting and the reorganizational meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer’s Report – MOTION made by Cory Picknell; seconded by Jerry Donath to approve the treasurer’s report and pay the bills. Motion carried.

APPEARANCES – None

OLD BUSINESS

New Announcer Stand – Lamperts has agreed to pay for one half of the cost of the announcer stand and they are working on getting local Lamperts to also contribute.

Visitor Shades – These will consist of a big round tractor tire for the base with a tarp at the top. The size of the tarp is 30 X 30. In the future we will be able to get rid of some of our tents. We have received several donations for this project.

Fair Book and Theme – MOTION was made by Heather Colburn; seconded by Cory Picknell to approve the following statement for the fair book. “This department is open to all members of 4-H Clubs, FFA Chapters, or any other youth organization in Barron County have adult leadership and an equivalent educational program related to the project they are showing in. Subject to approval of the Barron County Fair Board.” Motion carried. A theme for the 2022 was voted on and the winner was “Catch the Fair Fever.”

State Convention – It was a good meeting and we learned a lot. We have a good relationship with our extension office.

NEW BUSINESS

Fair Stock – None.

Sticker Campaign – Dwight has the letter and stickers are being made. We hope to get it out in a couple weeks.

District Meeting – District meeting will be held April 12 at the Whitehall Golf Course, E8414 760th Avenue, Colfax, WI 54730. Cost of registration is \$20. Heather, Jerry, Cory, Kevin, Russ, and Jacque plan to attend. Meeting will start at 10:00.

Horses at the fair grounds summer of 2022 – The same are coming back and we have been contacted by another person with the possibility of 11 horses.

Possible Capital Improvement – **MOTION** made by John Banks; seconded by John Blaskowski to spend up to \$7,500 on new fencing. Motion carried.

Fair Grant – We have been notified that we will receive a COVID related entertainment grant for \$181,000.

Naming rights to grandstand – The Mosaic contract expires in one more year. Others have contacted us for naming rights. We will continue to work on this.

Animal Livestock Committee – The only change was fat free lean 50 to 46. **MOTION** was made by John Blaskowski; seconded by Bruce Kringle to withdraw the funding for the livestock committee towards paying the coordinator position and no longer handle the payroll effective March 9, 2022. Motion carried.

POS System for Fair Gates – The cost would be \$49 a month year round per register. Everything can be programmed into the system. **MOTION** was made by Bruce Kringle; seconded by Jerry Donath to move toward POS at the gates. Motion carried.

Hall of Fame Board – There was a request from Sara Waldron to create a showcase for Barron County leaders who have been who have been honored as 4-H Hall of Fame at the state level. Sara will proceed with this.

Carnival Contract – The contract with Spectrum is the same as last year. **MOTION** made by Jerry Donath; seconded by Cory Picknell to sign a three-year contract. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Melanie Donath reported that she is working on the quilt square contest.

A group has asked to plant a memory tree between the youth building and the horticulture building. This site will not work. Kevin and Ken will work with the group to find another site.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm. The next meeting will be April 13 at 8:00 pm at the government center.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacque Schaffer
Executive Secretary, Barron County Fair