

PRICE COUNTY FAIR
Regular Board Meeting January 19, 2020
1 p.m. U.W. Extension Office – Normal Building

Members present: Peter Dahlie, Michelle Drobnik, Amy Karpenske, Jan Hardginski, Doug Kirby, Sue Nordall, Wyatt Lebal, Pat Vlach, Hannah Eibergen, Jed Hallstrand, Greg Hughes, Denae Walcisak

Absent/Excused: Brooke Lebal

Others present:

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Peter Dahlie at 4 pm.

Minutes: Motion by J. Hardginski, seconded by P. Vlach to approve the minutes of the November 10 and December 8, 2019 meetings. Motion passed.

Public Comments/Correspondence: A letter regarding Phillips Winterfest sponsorship was received.

Report from State Convention: Drobnik, Hardginski, and Eibergen attended the State Convention January 2020. The Price County 4-H Coordinator has resigned. The process to get a new 4H Coordinator was discussed at convention. They met with many wonderful entertainment and other vendors with interest in some of them coming to the fair, i.e. balloons, magicians, interactive story time, and many bands. They also spoke with the WI Ag Tourism group and would like to open a membership with them. They would have a booth at our fair and provide educational informational during the fair. Michelle motioned to sign up to become a member, seconded by Nordall, motion carried.

Winter Storage Take Out: Pete Dahlie put out a proposed tentative date of April 18, 2020 for winter storage take out. It was also mentioned that more/all board members need to be present during take out (and storage day) to help. Drobnik motions and Hardginski seconds the motion to accept the tentative date of April 18 for winter storage take out. Motion carries.

Committees

Advertising/Entertainment/Fundraising: Denae Walcisak reported that we will have an expanded Butterfly exhibit, Karaoke contest, Bob Bohm Family Entertainment, and Tom Katalin Band already in place. She is also looking into having chainsaw carving demonstrations. Drobnik motioned that we hire the balloon/magician ½ Twisted ½ Not for Friday and Saturday of the fair. Walcisak seconded, motion carried. Walcisak also motioned that we hire the Alec Davis Band recommended by the convention group for the Saturday night band, Nordall seconded, motion carried.

Rodeo – Drobnik stated things are progressing and that the Rodeo group has gotten a main sponsor, and others. Miss Rodeo Wisconsin may also be attending the fair.

Sponsorship Letter – Walcisak and other discussed that we need lots of face to face interaction with our sponsors. We also need members to volunteer to bring letters, etc. to our larger potential sponsors. Walcisak is working on getting the 2020 sponsor letter printed.

Buildings & Grounds: Dahlie talked to Dave with Price County regarding the large amount of snow on the building roofs.

Commercial Vendors: New contracts were approved by Hardginski and will be updated on the Fair web page.

Policy:

Antique Association Agreement – Their next meeting is February 6th. Dahlie and Drobnik plan to present anew letter and contract to meeting and start negotiations.

Exhibits/Livestock:

Premium Book – Drobnik said the new book should be printed in the next couple of weeks. She met some new judges at convention and also mentioned that one of our long time judges Jerry Donath was inducted into the Hall of Fame during Convention.

Finance:

Premium Checks – Open class checks were mailed out, and 4H Youth checks were given to the UW Extension office to be given out at their recognition banquet.

Annual Report – DATCP report is due the end of January and yearend financial reports and information will be available soon and given to the Chairman for his annual meeting with the Price County Board.

Old Business: A reminder that the Phillips Home show is being held March 28-29th 2020. Drobnik stated volunteers are needed March 26-27th to braid coffee cakes the fair will be selling for a fundraiser. She also stated she is trying to acquire the use of the kitchen at St. Therese for this purpose.

New Business: None

Next Meeting Date: February 9, 2020 at 1 p.m. UW Extension/Normal Building. We will also move the dates of the April and May meeting to the 3rd Sunday of the month because of Easter and Mother's Day.

Meeting Adjourned at approximately 2:22 p.m.