The Cedar County Fair Minutes February 8, 2023

February Monthly Meeting was called to Order by Brian Neuberger (President) at 7 PM at the fair office.

Board Members Present:

Chapman, LynnLicht, KevinShinker, DaveDoerscher, DeanMiller, LoriSiders, KimJackson, JennyNeuberger, BrianSlach, ChrisKetelsen, EdPruess, DanaSmith, Craig

Light, Tom Schiele, Lance

Board Members Absent:

Schroeder, Doug Edge, Patti McCleary; Evan Fitzgerald, Kyle

Guest Recognition: Alex Zumbach: Royalty contest- He would like to add King category; wants to change judging date, wants to add congeniality, best dressed, and interview award. Lynn Chapman made motion to Nominate Alex Zumbach our queen program coordinator Dave Shinker seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Pork Center Pioneers:

Pork Center Pioneers (younger group) proposed to build a Gaga Ball Pit. Approximate cost \$1200. Craig Smith made a motion to approve and place it by kiddie barn. Dana Pruess Seconded. Motion Carried. Pork Center Pioneers (older group)Proposed to Concrete alleyways in South Cattle Barn. Club could donate 20-25% of \$10000. Needs to be presented through livestock committee and bring proposal. Brad Gaul: We Received \$50000 (one time) in arpa money; County gave us an additional \$2000 in county aid.

Tom Wegener:

Kelli Crock: fine arts council- in planning council wants to do live music. Thinking of "renting" Pavillion and wanting Fair to have beer garden open.

Correspondence:

- AIF Spring Southeast District meeting is March 18 at Johnson County Fairgrounds. Social starts at 5 PM and meal is at 6 PM. Reservations due March 11.
- AIF Reported that Dave Hoffman of LeMars passed away. He served on Plymouth county Fair Board as well as the AIF board where he served as President.
- IAFE Zone 5 Conference will be held in Springfield, IL on March 3-5.
- Cedar County Community Foundation Spring Grant Applications deadline is Feb 28. Lynn made motion to approve submitting application for putting concrete in pavilion storage.
 Dean Seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes for January Monthly Meeting: Lance Schiele made a motion to approve the minutes of the January Monthly meeting. Ed Ketelsen seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Financial, Bylaws, Insurance & Grants Committee Report:

Financial Report:

General Account Balance: \$20873.28 Mathews Account Balance: \$11321.47 Liberty Savings Account Balance: \$823.95

Total Cash Assets: \$ 33018.70

Liabilities Electrical Project: \$8060.03 Liabilities Grandstand Project: \$54147.19

Approval of Financial Report: Lance Schiele made the motion to approve financial report. Kevin Licht seconded the motion. Motion carried. Tom Light made motion to give Endowment Fund \$500 for their 50% of Bar proceeds at Gala. Craig Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Partnerships Committee Report: Theisen's in kind donation – 1 pallet of bottled water & 1 pallet of shavings (approximate value=\$500). Dean Doerscher made motion to approve in kind Theisen's Partnership. Tom Light Seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Partnership report: \$28450 received to date.

Entertainment (Carnival, Grandstand Events, Free Stage) Committee Report: VIP Tickets- \$120 for package with corporate sponsorship of VIP area(\$2500 gets 10 VIP tickets, 10 track tickets and Banner). Stage sponsorship would be \$2500. Grounds act: daredevil stunt show at cost of \$9000. Looking at 2024 grounds act for \$10000. Looking at veterans wall for 2024. Racetrack — Kay's will be helping in place of Kathy. Memorial race in the works. Tractor Pull- class sponsors are \$1000. Wyffles will be sponsoring the Big Show. Looking into Tough trucks for on Sunday. Band @ Pavillion on Thursday, Friday & Saturday.

Sold \$4945.00 in Season Passes and \$1805 in carnival punch cards.

Promotions (Advertising, Website, Social Media), Recruitment, and Volunteers Committee Report: Radio ads have been approved and will hit radio on Friday. Leon working on current website to get tickets. New website — forms, and pay. Looking into selling e-tickets for fair entry.

Capital Improvements, Maintenance, Repairs and Events Prep Committee Report: Ed would like list of those who can help with snow removal.

Concessions, Rentals, Vendors and Camping Committee Report: Committee meeting Wednesday feb 15, at 5:30 PM — looking at updating forms. Looking for help with camping. Jenny Jackson & Chris Slach volunteered to handle camping. Booking Rentals into 2024.

Livestock, Livestock Buildings and Open Shows Committee Report: March Madness March 11-12.

4-H and Extension Center Report: Fair Schedule Presented. Gala brought in \$19000. Swine Judge-asking for increase in pay (\$300). Dana Pruess made motion to pay judge \$300. Ed Ketelsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FFA Report: Nothing new

Other Business: Floral Hall schedule and classes are published Kevin, Tom and Brian are going to schedule a meeting with landowner to the east.

Adjournment: Chris Slach made a motion to Adjourn; Ed Ketelsen seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Minutes Approved on March 8 2023

Kim Siders, Secretary

Brian Neuberger, President