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PENNSYLVANIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY FAIRS

MINUTES POST-CONVENTION MEETING JANUARY 27, 2017 - 8:00AM HERSHEY, PA

The Post-Convention meeting was called to order by David Hallstrom. Kevin Bieber led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The 2017 PA Fair Queen Madeline McEachin (Butler Fair) gave her background and her presentation.

Roll Call - present were C Sherman Allen, John Berne, Kevin Bieber, John Blaney, James Davis, Martha Ebersole, Tony Frazier, David Hallstrom, Seth Kensinger, Judy Kmetz, Craig Lash, Dale LeVan, John McMullen, Jeanne Miller, Tom Murray, Dr. Sally Nolt, David Reese, Harry Reffner, Jeff Romesberg, Debbie Stephenson, Bryan Utegg, George Witherite, and Samuel Zaffuto. Excused Roger Dirlam. Also in attendance - Bev Gruber, Dick Horstman, Bitsey Kopfinger, Bruce Koppenhaver, Randy Carper, Luke Bruckhart, Rod Ralston, Tom Murray, Ruth Britcher, Galla Higinbotham.

Introduction of the 3 new board members Tony, Seth, and Bryan.

CONVENTION

REGISTRATON (Harry Reffner) -
Registration 1665

TRADE SHOW (Dick Horstman)
187 booths. 2 cancellations, 2 no shows.

ROOMS (Dr. Sally Nolt)
Few problems, most were resolved. Possible open room earlier. November deadline for Queens.

COMMUNICATIONS (Martha Ebersole)
Went well. Next year asking each Fair to submit a blue first place ribbon for a display. 43 Fairs.

SHOWCASE (Sam Zaffuto)
So many quality entries, added 19 acts at 12 minutes instead of 15. Thanks to Galla for keeping the showcase moving. 10:30 ended. Bee GeeZ USA, Jo Dee Messina.

FAIR PERSON (Bruce Koppenhaver)
Thanks to the committee, 7 applicants.

QUEEN PROGRAM (John Berne)
Fundraising, Raffle - \$6388, 50/50 - \$4086, Auction - \$2610, Sponsors - \$4,772. Super banquet.

FIRST TIMERS (George Witherite)

20 in attendance, Thank you to the committee.

TABLE TOPICS (Debbie Stephenson)

20 table topics 2 repeated, 958 attended. Sherman will be chair next yer.

SEMINARS (Kevin Bieber)

Keynote speaker was off. Over all went well, disappointed on Saturday attendance, Kirby Dygert had only 8 in attendance. We need to review what we should do for Saturday.

SPOUSE (John Blaney)

Bag & Basket Bingo \$1,777, Basket Ticket auction (46 baskets) \$4991.64. Sachet/Lavender 17 attendees, Antique Appraisal 24.

SPONSORSHIPS (Harry Reffner)

Powers Great American sponsor of \$2,000 for Dan Waldschmidt.

SHOWMAN (Randy Carper)

PSSA 50 year anniversary with Hawaiian theme. Looking forward to next year.

PSACF ASSOCIATE (Gala Higinbotham)

Thanks to the PSACF, Convention doing a lot right now. Best convention, good traffic. Mark St. Jacques loves our convention, comes to PA to see how it is done.

OLD BUSINESS

BAKING CONTEST – full house at seminars, packets with rules distributed. Apple Pie contest to be sponsored by PSACF.

NEW BUSINESS

ADDITIONAL YEAR TO HERSHEY CONTRACT/PSAV CONTRACT

Harry presented the contracts for the 2022 convention. On hold until committee reviews Kalahari proposal.

FAIR FUNDING CHANGES – Jim Davis spoke with Sam Hays for 5 hours, on our letterhead do we want to change the Fair Fund act. Money coming from horse racing. Need to develop better relations with the equine & fairs. Percentage of slots come back to horse racing. Need to develop an ongoing relationship with the equine. This year 4M did not have enough request to use the 4M, had to go to the 2nd requests and still money left over. Department of Ag brought up fairs that are not true agricultural fairs. They must justify the money; 4-H must be involved with a fair. Funding should not be used as a operating expense. Use money for capital improvements not operating expenses. Debbie to send to Harry information to be sent to Fairs and p[lace on website. We are to promote agricultural. Look at Fairs and help them. Smaller faire come up with a budget. Make fairs responsible. Change visitation form to show 12 departments. Phone to get together before our April meeting. John motion to proceed with Debbie's information 2nd by George, carried. We need recommendation back by April meeting.

REQUEST FOR HONORARY DIRECTORS- Harry received letters from Luke Bruckhart, Rod Ralston, and Tom Murray for honorary directors, John Blaney motioned to approve, 2nd by Kevin, carried.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS given to the board, speak with David if you would like changes.

ZONE 1 WYOMISSING MEETING March 30 – April 1, need sponsorships.

STATE BOARD MEETING – April 13

ZONE MEETINGS

Zone 4 – April 19

Zone 3 – April 20

Zone 1 – April 21

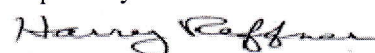
Zone 2 – April 22

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Appreciation for Doc Reese for serving as President the last 2 years.

Adjournment at 9:53.

Respectfully submitted



Harry Reffner
Exec Secretary/Treasurer