

Dakota County Agricultural Society
Board of Directors
February 5th, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Pete Storlie. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present- Pete Storlie, Marge Snyder, Ariana Sorem, Jeff Wright, Neil Deplazes, Mark Langer, Ed Barrett, Ashlyn Otto.

Board Members Not Present- Melanie Storlie, Sarah Hallcock, Jim Noreault, John Hubener.

Visitors- Joe Miller

- Joe Miller for Joe Miller construction presented the board of directors with an idea and plan of a car garage.
- **Motion** made by Jeff Wright to accept Miller Construction to work with facilities to move forward with the plans. **Seconded** by Ed Barrett. Motion carried unanimously.

Dakota City Report- no report given

Executive Committee report-

- Kristine and Jim Noreault are working together to edit and fix the policy and procedures, once completed will present to the board.
- DCAS apparel

Finance Committee Report-

- **Motion** made by Neil Deplazes to accept the new software for open class software no more than \$7000.00. Seconded by Ariana Sorem. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Motion** made by Ed Barrett to approve the claims list. Seconded by Jeff Wright. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Motion** made by Ashlyn Otto to approve the financial report. Seconded by Ariana Sorem. Motion carried unanimously.
- Lions Club will be making an addendum to their RFP for additional poll tab services. Two board of directors will be present at their next meeting and will present the addendum to the board.

Sales and Marketing Report-

- **Motion** made by Ariana Sorem to join the Lakeville chamber of commerce. Seconded by Neil Deplazes. motion carried unanimously.
- **Motion** made by Jeff Wright to approve Jessie Deplazes to join the sales and marketing committee. Seconded by Marge Snyder. motion carried unanimously.

Facilities committee report-

- **Motion** made by Ed Barrett to approve the camping rates to eliminate daily camping rate of \$45.00 and increase monthly rate to \$650.00/ month. Seconded by Ariana Sorem. motion carried unanimously.
- Facilities will work with Dakota City to discuss building maintenance.

Aq Education committee Report-

- Building Introductions
- Space Discussion

Grounds Foreman Report-

- Maintenance Shed Update
- Red Barn update
 - Gannon updated the board of directors about what was under the red barn. Gannon recommended that after Bruce Otto was done scraping would send an email.

Office Manager Report-

- Interview full time administrative assistant
- Policy and procedures
- Open class software
- Premium book
- All fair staff recommendations need to be in by April 15th.

New Business-

- Mobile displays from Dakota Electric
- **Motion** made by Ed Barrett to move forward with the Historical society celebration grant. Seconded by Ariana Sorem. motion passed
- IAFE Regional convention- March 18th-19th, Directors need to let Kristine know if they plan on attending by the end of the week.
- Beer Cup Test-
 - Looking to have it sponsored by someone
 - Souvenir cups- 16 oz branded with our logo and sponsor logo.
 - Jackpot show will be June 14th and 15th- Ed asked if anyone is available to help would gladly appreciate any help.

Ariana Sorem made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ashlyn Otto.