

Dakota County Agricultural Society  
Board of Director Meeting  
January 7th, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7pm. by President Jeff Wright, followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Ed Barrett, Mike Busho, Neil Deplazes, Sara Dingles, Mary Hendricks, Mark Henry, Roger Janak, Marge Snyder, Ariana Sorem, Pete Storlie, Mark Malecha, and Jeff Wright.

Agenda changes: Move John from Soundwave to visitors

**Motion** by Henry and seconded by Barrett to approve the agenda as amended. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: **Motion** by Storlie to approve the minutes from the December meeting, seconded by Deplazes with the correction of the month being changed from November to December. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Visitors: Doreen Kennedy, Lenard Storlie, John Baird.

John from Soundwave gave his quote of \$15,194.75 for the upcoming Fair. **Motion** by Storlie and seconded by Henry to approve his quote. **Motion** carried unanimously.

John Baird would also like to help with sponsorships. He would like 15% of all new sponsorships. He would not take anything from returning sponsors. He will work with the Sales and Marketing committee. **Motion** by Storlie to approve a contract with John Baird for sponsorships at 15%. **Motion** seconded by Barrett. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Dakota City Report :( See Report attached). The thanked the Board for working with them on the Operations agreement. Also invited the Board to Bingo at Celts on February 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 2p.m.

Finance Committee Report: (See report attached.) The new Chair is Neil Deplazes and the Co-chair is Connor Schulte. Cathy Busho and Connor Schulte would like to volunteer to be on the committee. **Motion** by Deplazes and seconded by Storlie to approve both Cathy Busho and Connor Schulte to the Finance Committee. **Motion** carried unanimously.

**Motion** by Deplazes and seconded by Dingles to approve a \$10,000.00 down payment to the 911 memorial for the 2020 Fair. **Motion** carried unanimously.

**Motion** by Deplazes and seconded by Sorem to approve the Profit & Loss Balance sheet, subject to audit. **Motion** carried unanimously.

**Motion** by Barrett and seconded by Storlie to approve the claims list. **Motion** carried unanimously.

The Board went over the Audit Report which was presented by Deplazes. **Motion** by Deplazes and seconded by Janak to approve the Audit Report as presented. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Sales & Marketing Report:(See report attached) **Motion** by Storlie and seconded by Sorem to add Melanie Storlie to the committee. **Motion** carried unanimously.

The committee is working with BDG (John Epson) and with Soundwave (John Baird).

The Rain Insurance will be moved to the Finance Committee for discussion.

Discussion about beer in the pits. The committee will work with the sheriff on this issue.

Facilities Committee: (See Report attached) The chair of this committee is Roger Janak and Co-Chair is Mark Bigalow.

Discussed the carpet for the Church. The cost is \$11,641.15. The Church also needs a new roof.

The recommendation of the Board is to not carpet until the roof has been checked.

**Motion** by Janak and seconded by Barrett to approve the new revised agreement for the Master Gardeners. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Blacktopping- **Motion** by Malecha and seconded by Sorem to pave Dakota Way from seconded street to fourth street and to gravel the handicap parking area by the 4-H building. One nay.

**Motion** carried.

**Motion** by Malecha and seconded by Barrett to purchase two Big Ass Fans for the south commercial building for \$7,100.00 and with the electric hook-up, not to exceed \$9,000.00.

**Motion** carried unanimously.

**Motion** by Janak and seconded by Barrett to add to this committee, Don Drewry, Mark Bigalow, Gary Larson and Henry Fox. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Old Business: Storlie gave a report on the Operation Agreement. **Motion** by Storlie to approve the Operations Agreement as presented. Seconded by Hendricks. **Motion** carried unanimously.

**Motion** by Malecha and seconded by Sorem to have the Ex Board decide who the two Ex Board member would be to work with the office manager to work out the details and carry out the Operations Agreement. **Motion** carried unanimously.

RR event- A committee was setup to meet with the members of the RR event. This committee is Mary Hendrickson, Pete Storlie, Marge Snyder, Sandy Weber, Doreen Kennedy and Arlan Lamb.

New Business: 2019 Areas of Responsibility for the Fair Board members during the Fair. (copy attached)

**Motion** by Henry to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Deplazes. Meeting was adjourned at 9:10pm.

Submitted by  
Marge Snyder  
Secretary of DCAS