

Dakota County Agriculture Society
Board of Director Meeting
June 3rd, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7p.m. by Vice President Pete Storlie, followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Agenda: Add the RR Event to Dakota City Report. Social Media to Sales and Marketing and # of Fair Days to Old Business.

Agenda approval: **Motion** by Malecha and seconded by Hallcock to approve the agenda with additions. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: **Motion** by Janak to approve the minutes from the May meeting with corrections, seconded by Sorem. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Visitors: Henry Fox, Mark Bigalow, Linda Plant.

Linda Plant was asking about the Fair Book being done and when it would be on-line

Dakota City Report :(See report attached) Mary Hendricks spoke about the event sheets that she had been working on. She has presented one in the report for the Christmas in the Village. This was very nice and will continue to work on this for all events.

RR Event: The committee is leaning toward not having this event. **Motion** by Malecha and seconded by Sorem to ask for a document of Finances and wait for this before a decision is made. Discussion **was** held on having them rent the Fairgrounds instead of us holding the event. **Motion** carried unanimously.

The Ex Board reported that they passed to hire Kara Hildreth.

Finance Committee Report: (See report attached.) **Motion** by Malecha and seconded by Henry to approve the Financial Report. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Motion by Deplazes and seconded by Malecha to approve the claims list. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Rain Insurance- **Motion** by Deplazes to purchase the rain insurance for ¼ inch on the 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th of August from 10am to 8pm. The cost is \$6,080.00. **Motion** seconded by Sorem.

Motion carried unanimously.

Sales & Marketing Report: (No printed report.) Storlie has asked for a list of animals for the Animal Exhibit.

Social Media: It was decided to allow \$1500.00 for social media by BDG.

Raffle: It has been approved at an earlier meeting to have a raffle on Thursday, and they also get to drive a car. **Motion** by Malecha and seconded by Hallcock to approve having this raffle for Friday and Saturday also. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Pull Tabs: **Motion** by Janak and seconded by Deplazes to allow having pull tabs for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 5p.m. to closing. This would be in the main beer tent. Fair gets 10% of the profit. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Motion by Janak and seconded by Deplazes to provide 4 admission tickets to the pull tab workers per day. A total of 12 admission tickets. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Facilities Report: (See Report) Concrete in front of South bathrooms- **Motion** by Malecha to pay to do the concrete for all the slabs, which is \$2435.00 additional cost from the first motion. The total cost now for all slabs is \$3150.00. **Motion** seconded by Hendricks. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Seeding: Henry reported that the seeding of the prairie will be seeded in 2020. We will have to re-burn again next year. Al Singer will get the seed. It was agreed to go ahead with this next year.

Master Gardeners meeting will be June 10th, 2019

Motion by Janak to approve \$2100.00 for the fans and fencing for the sheep and goat barn.

Motion seconded by Malecha. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Old Business: Discussed the days of the Fair. 6 or 7 days? Discussed having a survey. **Motion** by Henry that we put together a survey for the public and the vendors and give out during the Fair and also put it on the web-site. **Motion** seconded by Hallcock. **Motion** carried unanimously.

New Business: Helm Electric quotes: **Motion** by Deplazes and seconded by Busho to approve the quotes as presented from Helm Electric. **Motion** carried unanimously.

IT support: Janak reported that the County is not able to help us with the IT support because of the security for them. They are willing to help us write an RFP and to help to choose a company. **Motion** by Janak and seconded by Busho to go ahead with the county to do the RFP. **Motion** carried unanimously.

4-H: Hallcock reported that the 4-H think we should have hand washers.

Motion by Hallcock to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Deplazes. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00p.m.

Submitted by
Marge Snyder
Secretary of DCAS