

DELAWARE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
BOARD MEETING

September 15, 2020 – Zoom Conference Call & Cabin

ATTENDANCE

Present – Pat Allen, Jackie Colflesh, Mike Conklin, Mark Fisher, Mick Fisher, Mike Harter, Don Howard, Dan Huffman, Joe McLead, Bryan Mellen, Jon Melvin, Larry Moreland, Pat Paykoff, Tiffany Rankin, Aaron Roll, Colleen Smith, Chip Thomson, Benjamin Wenner, Diane Winters, Tom Wright, Laryssa Hook (Ex-Officio) and Sandy Kuhn (General Manager/Secretary).

Absent – Mick Fisher (working on grounds) and Tom Roll

GUESTS – T. Thomson and Jay Wolf.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Tom Wright, called the meeting to order. The Pledge was recited. Roll call was taken. The meeting was held via a Zoom conference call and members at the cabin.

PUBLIC COMMENT

MINUTES

Joe McLead moved and Diane Winters second a motion to approve the August 18 board meeting minutes. Motion carried. Chip Thomson moved and Jackie Colflesh second a motion to approve the August 31 special board meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Full report in board folder)

Sandy Kuhn said that she had sent her report out with the board packet. She thanked everyone who has helped to get things ready for the fair.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dan Huffman reviewed the financials with the board. He reported that we will need to monitor funds closely as money is low. Discussion was held on financials.

Pat Allen moved to accept the financial report. Mike Conklin second the motion and motion carried.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

No report

PERSONNEL & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

No report

FINANCE COMMITTEE

No report

FAIR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Aaron Roll reported that they have been getting everything ready for the Junior Fair. All committees are getting their respective barns and areas ready.

Laryssa Hook reported that project judging was held the previous Saturday. She said there were hundreds of participants and things went well. She used 28 Sign-Up Genius forms to get everyone signed up and through the process.

Discussion was held on how the virtual auctions work and the process for it.

ADVERTISING COMMITTEE

Sandy Kuhn reported that the ceremony and sign unveiling for the honorary renaming of Pennsylvania Avenue to "Little Brown Jug Way" will be held Sept. 19 at 10 a.m. at the corner of Pennsylvania and Berne. Tom Wright encouraged all board members to attend.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Jackie Colflesh moved to add private security for Sun., Sept. 19 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Weds., Sept. 23 from 10 am. To 2 p.m. and Thurs., Sept. 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Colleen Smith second. Motion carried.

MOTOR SPORTS COMMITTEE

No report.

FACILITIES/MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

Pat Paykoff reported that the race track was stripped for the upcoming races. The maintenance guys are getting the basics done like mowing and getting things ready for the fair. He wanted to thank all board members who have been helping to get maintenance work done and the grounds ready for the fair.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

No report.

RACING COMMITTEE

Tom Wright reported that the racing office opened in the log cabin today. There is still a lot of work to be done. He wanted to thank everyone who has been helping to get things ready for racing. He is still working to get some additional volunteers to help during the five days of racing.

Tom Wright introduced Jay Wolf, who does publicity for the races. Jay reported that a lot of news is being put out to promote the races. He did a Twitter poll on how people are planning to watch the races. He helped to write the racing protocol for the Health District. He talks to the race secretary, Dave Bianconi on the things going on to keep information current and in front of people.

BED TAX COMMITTEE

Tom Wright and Pat Paykoff reported that the work on the new building has started.

COMMITTEE 51

No report. Mike Harter said the committee will begin again to work on the contracts after the fair.

OLD BUSINESS

Sandy Kuhn reported that the Fair Food Frenzy held August 22-23 were not as successful as ones in the past but the vendors were still happy. Thanks to all fair board members who participated.

T. Thomson updated the board on sponsorships. He has just under \$30,000 committed and thinks it will be around \$40,000 when he is done.

Sandy Kuhn reported that she has over \$25,000 cash sponsorships for Junior Fair.

NEW BUSINESS

Sandy Kuhn passed around a board member volunteer sign-up sheet for fair. Please sign up with your availability.

Sandy Kuhn has finalized both the Junior Fair and Racing protocols and they are posted out on the fair website.

Chip Thomson moved and Pat Allen second a motion to extend the following agreements for an additional year – Trimble Insurance Agency, Absolute Impressions, Buckeye Valley Food Booth, Eagle Golf Cart,

Francis Pest Control, Signature Sound, Tidy Tim's, Triple Treat, Tri-Township and Together and Company.
Motion carried.

Pat Allen Moved and Tiffany Rankin second a motion to raise the storage fee from \$12 to \$15/linear foot.
Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Diane Winters reported that the construction and orange barrels on State Route 23 should be cleaned up and done by fair week. She also has been in touch with the State Highway Patrol to be on the watch on 23 during fair.

Larry Moreland moved to adjourn. Jackie Colflesh second the motion. Motion carried.

Tom Wright, President

Sandy Kuhn, Secretary/General Manager