

KALAMAZOO COUNTY FAIR COUNCIL MEETING

January 23, 2019

Members Present: Molly Buckham, Jeanne Comar, Rod DeVries, Paul Harrison, Marion Hill, Marilyn Kritzman

Members Absent: Ruth DeBoer, Jackie Stasevich

Staff Present: Josh Gower, Tyler Augst, Veronica Bolhuis

Citizens:

1. **Call to Order** – The meeting was held at the Kalamazoo County Expo Center, Room C and was called to order at 6:40pm by Chair Person Marion Hill.
2. **Roll Call** – Roll was taken and quorum was established. **Motion:** Kritzman moved to excuse the absent members. Seconded by DeVries. Motion carried by voice vote.
3. **Approval of Minutes – November, 2018 Meeting** - Members reviewed the minutes. **Motion:** DeVries moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Buckham. Motion carried by voice vote.
4. **Citizen’s Time (Items not on the Agenda)** – None
5. **Communications**
 - a. **4H Leaders Council Update** – Rod DeVries
 - i. Benefit Auction – March 23rd Gull Lake High School
 - ii. Clubs are meeting regularly
 - b. **4H Livestock Association Update** – Veronica Bolhuis
 - i. Requiring beef quality assurance for all beef
 - Tyson Foods is requiring it
 - ii. Trying to figure out YQCA situation
 - c. **4H Horse Council Update** – Jeanne Comar
 - i. Finalizing “Buckaroo” age for premium book
 - ii. State delegates – switching up how youth gain points at Open Show and Fair to determine who goes
 - iii. Tack Sale – 18th of March
 - Charging at door instead of at gates
 - iv. 4H Open show is June 29th and 30th
 - Finalizing what classes will be held
 - v. Discussion of tower and grounds around arenas
 - d. **Open Pony** – Ruth DeBoer
 - i. None
 - e. **Entertainment Committee Update** – Josh Gower
 - i. Request has been put out to Meijer
 - ii. Assembling a large list of connections to reach out to
 - f. **MAFE Conference Update** –Veronica Bolhuis
 - i. Pig immunizations
 - ii. Safety, Lost Children
 - iii. Safely restraining youth
6. **Old Business**
 - a. 2019 4H Premium Book Market Animal Premiums – Approval to recommend to Parks Commission
 - i. **Motion:** Kritzman moved to remove premiums from any livestock animal that is sold at the Livestock Auction w/ the exception of Feeder Calves. Comar seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.
 - b. Friend of Fair program
 - i. Gower requested that LSA, Horse Council, and Leaders Council commit to half of the premium fund sponsorship from 2018.
 - LSA - \$1000
 - Horse Council - \$1000
 - Leaders - \$750
 - ii. Gower will be requesting that each Leaders Council club help to provide two Friend of Fair Sponsorships
7. **New Business**
 - a. Expanding Open Class Stills Exhibitors – Discussion

- i. Several ideas from Convention
- b. Open Class Stills Superintendent – Discussion
 - i. How do we reach other kids
 - ii. Discussion on both exhibitors and superintendent
- c. Parliamentary Procedures – Review – **Tabled until February 27, 2019 Council Meeting**

8. Member's Time

- a. Comar – Creating exhibitor photo opportunity area.
 - i. Dan Deyoung is willing to help with this
- b. Kritzman
 - i. Miracle of birth tent – potential lead
- c. Harrison
 - i. Add Biosecurity plan to February meeting agenda

9. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

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