

# KALAMAZOO COUNTY FAIR COUNCIL MEETING

May 22, 2019

**Members Present:** Molly Buckham, Jeanne Comar, Ruth DeBoer, Rod DeVries, Marion Hill, Marilyn Kritzman, Jackie Stasevich

**Members Absent:** Paul Harrison

**Staff Present:** Josh Gower, 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 6:35pm by Chair Person Hill.
2. **Roll Call** – Roll was taken and quorum was established. **Motion:** Kritzman moved to excuse the absent members. Seconded by Buckham. Motion carried by voice vote.
3. **Approval of Minutes – April 25, 2019 Meeting** - Members reviewed the minutes. **Motion:** DeBoer 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. Need fair forms
      - Gower will hopefully have them online by the end of the week
  - b. **4H Livestock Association Update** – Jackie Stasevich
    - i. Everything is in line for fair
    - ii. Spring mandatory meetings went well
      - They were to help the kids with seeking buyers, writing thank yous, etc.
      - Overall attendance was good. Anyone who didn't make it will still need to go over the materials at their specific species meetings
  - c. **4H Horse Council Update** – Jeanne Comar/Josh Gower
    - i. Need adjustments to arenas
    - ii. Open show is scheduled and all set to go
  - d. **Open Pony** – Ruth DeBoer
    - i. No update
  - e. **MSU Extension** –
    - i. Heroes to hives will be here on Friday of fair
    - ii. Linda Whitlock, Leatta Byrd, Karen Carvell are all retiring
6. **Old Business**
  - a. Expanding Open Class Stills Exhibits/Superintendent – Discussion
    - i. Anyone who has joined 4H since April 1<sup>st</sup> is being asked to
    - ii. Buckham will complete the flyer. Gower will get some printed, and get an electronic copy out to the council.
7. **New Business**
  - a. 2019 Budget – Update
  - b. 2019 Entertainment – Update
    - i. Looking for other ideas for cheap entertainment
    - ii. Invite local musicians to come out and play during the week
      - April at Crescendo could be a good contact for them
  - c. 2019 Vendor List – Update
  - d. 2019 Friend of Fair Promotion
    - i. Looking at making it more of a promotion for the club instead of the individual kids
    - ii. Buy the package be friend of fair
8. **Member's Time**
  - a. Comar - Recycling bins
    - i. Gower will look into what the contract looks like with the portajohn and recycling companies.
9. **Adjournment** The meeting was adjourned at 7:47pm.

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