

**BUENA VISTA COUNTY FAIR BOARD
STORM LAKE CHAMBER OFFICE
NOVEMBER 27, 2006**

**NEXT MEETING DECEMBER 18, 2006@ 7:00 P.M.
STORM LAKE CHAMBER OFFICE
6TH & MICHIGAN STREET**

X	RANDY ROBBINS-PRESIDENT	X	JIM PETERSON-V. PRESIDENT
X	NANCY ROBBINS-TREASURER	X	VICKI ROBERTS- SECRETARY
X	ROBBIE CARLSON	X	LIZ FRANKER
X	TAMMI GREEN	X	CLAUDINA GRIENKE
E	JIM GRIENKE	E	STEVEN GROTE
X	DEAN JONES	X	FAYE MADSEN-MURPHY
E	VINCE MC GEE	X	AMY MEYER
X	BRENT MEYER	X	LEE MEYER
E	KAY PEDERSEN	X	JENNIFER PETERSON
E	ANNA MAE ROTERT-FLINK	X	ORDELL WEILAND
E	ANGIE ZUMWALT		

President Randy Robbins called the meeting to order @ 7:25 p.m.

Roll call was taken.

Guests:

Doug Svendsen w/ Olson Eaton & Svendsen Insurance
Lee & Becky Meyer w/Checkered Flag Motorsports

NEW BUSINESS:

The board discussed having the Queen Contest on Sunday, July 22, 2007 in the 4-H Building @ 1:00 p.m. Amy Meyer will work along with Amanda Meyer. Amy Meyer, Nancy Robbins, Amanda Meyer, Shelby Meyer & Stephanie Robbins will all work together on the Little Miss as a project for 4-H Leadership. The Little Miss Pageant will be held on Sunday, July 22, 2007 in conjunction with the Queen Contest @ 1:00 p.m.

The Pie Baking contest will be held on Sunday, July 22, 2007 in the 4-H building immediately following the pageants.

Jennifer Peterson is willing to do the Baby Contest with the help of Nancy Robbins. It will be held on Saturday, July 21, 2007 in the 4-H building. Registration will be @ 9:00 a.m. with the contest starting @ 10:00 a.m. Jennifer & Nancy will talk to other fair board members at the conference in Des Moines for ideas. It was suggested that we use judges that do not have any connection to the county or the families participating in the contest. Jennifer & Nancy will work on it.

Lee & Becky Meyer will be holding their weekly race on Thursday, July 19, 2007 during the fair. The board will receive the rent of \$1,250. The races will start @ 7:00 p.m. This will be the Dick Simpson Memorial.

Friday, July 20, 2007 @ 7:00 p.m. Tammi Green will be in charge of having an Open Horse/Gaming Show. Contestants will pay an entry fee but the Grandstands will be free admission to watch. We will also be having our Free Supper starting @ 5:30 p.m. in front of the Grandstands. Our cost will be \$1,100.

Saturday, July 21, 2007 @ 5:00 p.m. the board is planning on having the Parade of Champions from 4-H in front of the Grandstands before the Iowa Endure races start @ 7:00 p.m. Our cost to Willie Brown will be \$2,500. + motel room if fifty (50) cars or more or \$1,575. + motel room if less than fifty (50) cars. Pit passes will be \$20.00, gate fees will be as follows: \$7.00 13 thru adults; 6-12 yrs \$3.00; under 6 Free.

Sunday, July 22, 2007 @ 4:00 p.m. the Demo Derby will be held. Same amount for Pit passes & Gate fees will apply as was charged for the Iowa Enduro on Saturday night. Our cost based on the Fall Demo Derby 2006 + insurance \$15,000.

Motion by Amy Meyer & seconded by Jennifer Peterson that we have the Fair Entertainment as presented. Motion carried with two (2) opposed.

Discussion as to whether we charge a gate fee or not & the board decided to charge \$1.00 per person. There will be a free gate on Thursday after 5:00 p.m. We will sell a season pass for \$4.00 up until Saturday, July 14, 2007 (Static Judging Day). After that all will be charged \$1.00 per day. The board will offer FREE passes to 4-H members who qualify. Faye Madsen-Murphy made a motion to approve these gate fees & seconded by Brent Meyer. Motion carried.

The board discussed Ladies Day on Friday, July 20, 2007. This has been **TABLED** until the December meeting.

Vicki checked with Cathy Fisher on running the Open Class. She declined as with the health problems of Don she feels she needs to be with him. Liz Franker will try with help in chairing the open class. Liz was given a couple of names for information & guidance.

Contracts for vendors will remain the same as previous years being \$50.00 for a 10x10 indoor space & \$100.00 for a 10x10 outdoor space. Their hours to be open will be 9:30 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Except for Sunday.

Camping fees will be as follows: \$15.00 per night if paid by April 1, 2007 or \$20.00 per night after April 1, 2007. Campsites will be numbered & each camper will have a pass to hang in a window on there campers.

manure removal will be the responsibility of each building superintendent. Some were informed of this at their meeting at the extension office. It was reported that most were agreeable to helping this year.

Vicki will try to put some press releases in the papers that we are looking for bids on the follow:

- Concession stand
- Insurance
- Games in place of midway
- Volunteers
- Vendors

With the deadline being February 1, 2007 for all sealed bids. They should be mailed to our P.O.

Box 253, Storm Lake, Iowa 50588 & clearly marked with BID on the envelope.

Contracts will be mailed out to all previous vendors after January 1, 2007

We have had a request from Kevin Cone to hold a farm auction on the cement pad January 13, 2007. The board has previously charge Kevin \$200. With Kevin always donating more to the fair board. Lee Meyer made a motion to allow Kevin to hold this action for \$200. & seconded by Brent Meyer. Motion carried.

President Randy Robbins had checked with Nelson's on the cost of rat bait that we still need in our buildings. The cost for a 9# pail is \$32.98. Motion by Vicki Roberts & seconded by Jim Peterson to have Nancy make out a check to Nelson's for three (3) pails. Motion carried. President Randy Robbins asked Brent Meyer if he would be willing to distribute in buildings. Brent agreed.

This will be a Fair board fund raiser suggested by Tammi Green that on April 21, 2007 12:00 NOON that they would like to hold a Livestock Consignment Sale in the Show Arena. There will be a 7% commission charge to be paid to the Fair Board. Randy Robbins will talk to Kevin Cone about being the Auctioneer.

Vicki Roberts will check with the Alta Chamber as to whether they are planning on the parade on Wednesday, July 18, 2007 as previously held. She will report back at the December meeting.

Lee & Becky Meyer have agreed to allow the fair board to hold a 50/50 raffle each week at the races. This money will be used to make improvements in the grandstand & track area. Vicki Roberts will fill out the forms to be submitted to the state. It was suggest that we have three (3) fair board members at the races every Wednesday night to sell the tickets for the 50/50. **TABLED** until the January meeting.

Lee & Becky Meyer will check with Pam Winkle as to helping with the Barbeque Contest on Sunday, July 22, 200. Tammi Green suggested we charge a \$25.00 entry fee to all participants & then sell tickets to anyone wanting to sample the different BBQ's. This was **TABLED** until the December meeting when Lee & Becky can report back to the board.

The board discussed possible having some entertainment after the grandstand events on Friday & Saturday night with a beer garden. Lee & Becky Meyer are going to contact Joan Becker-Karaoke, Ridge Runners, the band 100 Proof, Wayne Morris, and Sara Sennert. They will also check on getting some sponsors. **TABLED** until they gather information to bring back to the board.

OLD BUSINESS:

Vicki Roberts has contacted Brian Staples asking if he would be willing to let us buy him out of his contract for the 2007 Fair. She left a message on his machine to call. He returned the call & stated he would call her to discuss this when he returned to the states. His fee is \$5,000. + 2 motel rooms + 3 bales of quality hay per day he is at the fair. Tammi Green stated she doesn't feel we should have to provide anyone with motel rooms & that the old board should not have been able to sign a new contract for the 2007 Fair. Vicki pointed out that all entertainers require motel rooms for performing at the fair.

The board was reminded that Rhonda Christensen would be holding a meeting on November 30, 2006 @ 7:00 p.m. to welcome the new board members & explain what the extension & 4-H do for the fair. President Randy Robbins asked Vicki if she would call those not in attendance to remind them of this meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Nancy Robbins presented the financial report showing deposits, bills paid & a list of some of the outstanding bills. Accounts payable balance on hand is \$6,527.31. Nancy stated we needed to leave approximately \$2,800 for utilities, payroll taxes & insurance premiums until we start receiving money in April from the races.

Motion by Lee Meyer & seconded by Dean Jones to pay \$500. towards Bonnesen Plumbing bill. Motion carried.

Motion by Lee Meyer & seconded by Brent Meyer to pay Alta Utilities \$327.28. Motion carried.

Motion by Tammi Green & seconded by Lee Meyer to pay the following bills:

Aurelia Lumber - \$37.23

Storm Lake Times - \$24.24

KAYL - \$240.00

Olson Eaton Insurance - \$200.00

KKIA - \$120.00

KCHE - \$232.75

Motion carried.

Patti Shannon had sent a letter requesting her pay for managing the concession stand of \$650.00. She had talked to Nancy Robbins about this & informed us that if we didn't pay she would take us to Small Claims Court. Tammi Green doesn't feel we should pay her as she didn't clean the concession stand, left food in oven, and ruin a piece of equipment after the fair was over. It was pointed out that no one from the old board had talked to her about not cleaning up more after the fair. Lee Meyer stated that the new board should not have to pay these old bills committed to by

the old board. It is a whole new board now. It was stated she had not turned a bill into the board for payment after the fair or before the end of the fiscal year October 31, 2006. It was also noted it was not on the year end financial statement that was approved by the stockholders and the annual meeting. It was pointed out that it had been approved to pay her a minimum of \$650.00 for managing the concession stand at a board meeting where a motion had been made, seconded & carried. The board discussed counter suing her if she indeed takes us to small claims.

Motion by Jim Peterson & seconded by Liz Franker to adjourn the meeting at 10:12p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki L. Roberts
Secretary