December 14, 2015 – Alumni Committee Meeting

Secretarial Minutes taken by Becky Miller

FFA Family, Friends & Alumni Attendance:

Stacy Warner Terry & Linda Miller

Terry Dorr Daryl Garness
Dave & Becky Miller Leslie Svacina
Michelle Wilson Rachel Sauvola

Treasury Report by Stacy Warner - was read and all approved. 1099N – all good – postcard filed.

Secretary Report by Becky Miller - was read and all approved.

Old Business

State FFA Alumni Award – needed to be submitted by November 30th deadline. Application = Website Award". Leslie Svacina, mentioned that we WON this Alumni Award. Website ideas: Website committee Leslie Svacina, Todd Dorr and Michelle Wilson. Whomever else is interested in helping to manage the website is more than welcome to join this committee.

Motion was made by Terry Dorr that we become an Affiliated Membership Alumni for \$350.00 unlimited members September 1, - August 31th – Due in March 2016. Leslie Scavina seconded it. All approved so motion carried.

FFA Foundation. Dave Miller made a motion that we give \$200.00 to the Wisconsin FFA Foundation. Stacy Warner seconded it. All were in favor.

Stacy Warner made a motion for us to rescend on minutes from October and November 2015 as we were to obtain the Highland hide, head (skull) and horns to do as we want for fundraising. Due to lack of manpower, resources, storage, etc......and other discussions, a hand vote of 8 – 0 in favor or not pursuing this fundraiser and to notify Shawnee Holte of this decision. Becky Miller will email Shawnee. Terry Dorr seconded it.

- Food Stand Upgrade/Events. No Discussion was done on this.
- Farm To Table Discussion No Discussion was done on this.
- Thank You's. Terry Dorr working on. Also Visa Gift Card of \$100.00 for volunteering the outdoor bathrooms for our events this year.
- New Members is ongoing. Volunteer application is on line on the website www.newrichmondffaalumni.com along with Membership Form to be available. Take time to review on line and fill these out if they apply to you.
- Ongoing documentation with what all is needed to put on an alumni event to make it all successful and easier for a new person to come in and help with food booth, registration, etc....

New Business

Rachel Sauvola:

- Fruit Drive
- Christmas Craft and Bake Sale Michelle Wilson says is going good. Had a good selection and was still selling items during lunch at school. Suggestion was made to maybe partnership more for next year sales.
- Facilitated five workshops at the National Association of Agricultural Educators Conference.
- 33 people and 33 animals helped with bingo night at Deerfield.
- 138 students now on roster.
- Patrick Olson partnership with the city and airport on a 20 acre farm. (5 year plan on farm).
- Slide show from kids.
- Drone footage.
- Breakfast with Santa was good.
- \$950.00 grant Aquaponic Project.

Next scheduled meeting on January 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the High School.

Important note/dates for the year:

Discussions for all FFA Members who wish to receive funding from the Alumni, you need to help out at the scheduled events in order to make applicable funding work for you. Your hours are documented at these events. Trying to get out a calendar/events in writing by the September FFA Picnic so both Parent and child know this and are accountable for helping at the alumni events throughout the year.

Fri and/or Sat - Feb. 5 and 6th - State FFA Alumni Convention in Madison and World's Toughest Rodeo in St. Paul.

Mon. and Tues. March 14 and 15th - Awards Judging in my classroom.

Sun Apr. 10 - FFA Banquet at NRHS - Will need help with food, awards, dessert auction, etc. - Will start at 10:30 a.m.; eat at 1 p.m. and program at 2 p.m.

Sat. June 4th - Dairy Day