



## Marquette County Youth Organization Association

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## **Marquette County Youth Organization Association, Inc. May 21, 2020 6:30 p.m. Remote Meeting**

**Members present:** Dave Timme, April Proeber, Susanne Kufahl, Bette Krueger, Kayla Darr, Hannah Wolsdorf, Brenna Bays, Josh Capodarco, John Kampen, John Bennett, Richell Kufahl, Mark Groskreutz, Matt Groskreutz, Savannah Kufahl

**Members excused:** Char Laney, Joanne Dalton, Josh Knoch

**Guests:** Pat Wagner, Amanda Steuck, Denise Gerbitz, Amber Vossekul, Dawn Hockerman, Kimberly Hankel, Keri Solis, Marquette County Economic Development and Tourism Coordinator; Robert Miller, Marquette County Board Chair

President called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by Pledge of Allegiance.  
Motion to approve the agenda made by Bennett; second by Proeber; motion carried.  
Motion to approve minutes of April 23, 2020 meeting made by Bennett; second by Proeber; motion carried.

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Motion to accept treasurer's report made by Kampen; second by Matt Groskreutz; motion carried.

#### Committee reports:

- **Executive and Finance:** No report.
- **Entertainment:** No report.
- **Volunteer:** No report.
- **Building and Grounds:** Timme has purchased some hardware but no lumber as of yet.
- **Promotions and Technology:** No report.
- **Market Animal Auction:** \*\*

#### Action Items:

- **Decision on holding Fair in 2020: Virtual, cancel or hold with precautions:** Kampen indicated that there will be no insurance available in case of a COVID-19 case through the fair insurance. Robert Miller, Marquette County Board Chair, indicated that the insurance for the County (County Mutual) will provide no coverage relating to COVID-19; this was County Mutual's decision, not the County's decision. Due to the fact of no insurance available, motion by Mark Groskreutz, second by Kampen, to cancel the "traditional" fair as normally held; motion carried.

Kampen explained that the published rules for a fair is that it is an open fair for anyone to exhibit in; he has been receiving phone calls from youth expressing interest in attending the Marquette County fair if held virtually. Motion by Mark Groskreutz, second by Kampen to not have a "virtual" fair for 2020; motion carried; (14 ayes; two nay).

Kampen had prepared a draft of a press release for publication (per Timme this was done in case both the traditional fair and virtual fair would be cancelled). Discussion on wording; motion by Mark Groskreutz, second by Bennett to approve the press release as revised during the meeting; motion carried.

Stoneman will get the release to the Tribune for publication; Tori Timme will put it on Facebook and the County Fair website. Timme will contact the Association of Wisconsin Fairs.

Suzanne Kufahl indicated that money deposited for camping at the fairgrounds will be returned if that is what the individual chooses; Timme will contact every vendor that has a contract and get cancellation in writing.

- **\*\*Market Animal Auction:** Mark Groskreutz confirmed that Becks, Brandon Meat Market and Wisconsin River Meats will be at the fairgrounds on Sunday, July 12; slots are reserved for processing (cattle, pigs, meat goats, sheep). Wolsdorf indicated that the Animal Auction Committee will reach out to families with animals to help with this process and a list will be published of animals available for purchase. Of course, the Animal Auction Committee cannot

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guarantee a sale but certainly want to assist and help the exhibitors as much as possible. Motion by Wolsdorf and second by Darr that the Animal Auction Committee help market the identified animals and assist in setting up the processing of said animals; motion carried.

- **Set fair date for 2021:** Motion by Kampen, second by Mark Groskreutz to have the 2021 fair July 7 through 11, 2021; motion carried. Timme will contact the carnival to try to secure them for the dates.
- **Action items NOT discussed (due to being non-applicable):**
  - Set schedule, parameters and budget for virtual fair
  - Set Fairest of Fair schedule
  - Approve fair contracts
  - Set fair schedule
  - Set volunteer appreciation/recruitment luncheon/dinner (Tabled until June, 2020)
  - Approve 2020 intern
- **Set and approve bleacher repair/replace budget:** Motion by Proeber, second by Bennett to repair the bleachers as necessary with the cost not to exceed \$2,000; motion carried.
- **Informational Items:** None.
- **Report of Fair Board Members:** None.

Motion to adjourn made by Matt Groskreutz; second by Proeber; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bette Krueger, Secretary

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