MARQUETTE COUNTY YOUTH ORGANIZATION'S ASSOCIATION DECEMBER 5, 2019 MINUTES

SERVICE CENTER MEETING ROOM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Timme, April Proeber, Suzanne Kufahl, Bette Krueger, Josh Capodarco, Hannah Wolsdorf, Char Laney, Joanne Dalton, Matt Groskreutz, John Bennett, Al Klapoetke, John Kampen, Joanne Dalton, John Bennett

EXCUSED: Robin Buchholz

GUESTS: Pat Wagner, Char Bennett, Christa Van Treeck, 4-H Youth Development Advisor, Jackie Stoneman, Division of Extension-Marquette County Support Staff, Gary and Kristen Skolarz

President called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

President asked for approval of the agenda; motion by Kampen to amend the agenda to include Presentation of Friend of the Fair plaque; second by Groskreutz; motion carried.

President asked for approval of minutes from previous meeting; motion by Bennett, second by Kampen to approve; motion carried.

Financial Report: Kufahl gave the financial report. There was \$31,123.92 in the bank account. Approximately \$1,356.14 was written from the account last month for bills including advertising for the visitor's bureau guide, banners for the parade and highway signs, and registration fees for the WAF conference. President requested that tracking of boat storage monies not appear on the report since the county can use this money as see fit. Motion by Groskreutz, second by Bennett to approve the financial report; motion carried.

CITIZEN INPUT: President presented Gary and Kristen Skolarz with a plaque as a thank you for their years of service and dedication to the fair.

President thanked Al Klapoetke for his years of service to the fair board and organization as this was his last meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Executive and Finance: Kufahl reported that she completed the raffle license report.

Entertainment: Proeber reported the committee reviewed last year and have a couple of new bands to check out for 2020; only have to replace two or three bands. Proeber will check on available dates for a mobile "escape room" to be present three days at the 2020 fair. Committee looking for suggestions for 2021; would like to "go big". Suggestions for the theme for 2020 include: Camp Out; One World: Celebrating Diversity; Proud to be an American; Big Dreams – Small Town; Game Shows. Discussion on possible mud run or 5K run/walk as well as a firefighter's "hose the barrel" competition. President will be signing and returning the bull riding competition contract for 2020.

Volunteer: Kufahl updated all forms for 2020 volunteers including the day, descriptions of what is needed/expected, schedules, etc.

Building and Grounds: President reported that all storage of campers, boats, etc. has been completed. Discussion on buildings repairs and maintenance: who is responsible for costs, etc.

Promotions and Technology: Kufahl had banners and pamphlets made promoting the 2020 fair. There will be a parade in Oxford on December 7; discussion as to who will be driving vehicle with the trailer promoting the 2020 fair. Van Treeck reported that there is a parade policy for members of 4-H clubs; however, if the individuals are "fair exhibitors" then the rules do not apply.

Market Animal Auction: Groskreutz reported that all exhibitors who enter any animal should have a YQCA educational session. Discussion and possible solutions on the scale house and scale platform. Discussion on the length of the animal auction and possibly having two rings going at once. Discussion on the auction committee, funds collected and disbursed and whether or not the committee is insured. Kampen explained that if the committee has its own "board" then they must have their own insurance. However, if it is just a committee and just have "titles" then the committee is covered. Groskreutz will report back on items after next meeting.

ACTION ITEMS:

Review and update By-Laws: See attached updated By-Laws of the Marquette County Youth Organization's Association. Items highlighted in yellow are proposed changes.

Set 2019/2020 Budget: Kufahl went over the proposed budget; discussion followed. Motion by Kampen, second by Groskreutz to approve the proposed budget; motion carried.

Establish committees: A list of members volunteering for committees will be typed up and shared at next month's meeting.

Set date for volunteer appreciation/recruitment dinner: Discussion on location and date; Groskreutz will report next month as to whether or not it can be held at the Harrisville Sportsman's Club in March 2020; if not, then it may be held at the fairgrounds in April. Krueger to find out of possible meals and prices through Jack Frost.

Set next meeting date: Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Services Center meeting room.

Information/Discussion only:

Bleachers – repair? – Proeber reported that Brianne Novy contacted her regarding fund raising for repair/replacement of the bleachers in the grand stand area as a college course for herself.

Discussion on changing the date of the annual meeting to coincide with year-end reports. No action was taken but would like to hold the meeting second Thursday in November annually. It will be on next month's agenda as an action item to vote on.

No discussion on the following items: Ag Education program for 2020 fair; Fair board intern – do we want to recruit; Future parade float; Reports of official meetings held in prior month; Upcoming events/issues (for discussion only).

Motion by Groskreutz, second by Proeber to adjourn; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Bette Krueger

Secretary