



## Marquette County Youth Organization Association

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## Marquette County Youth Organization Association, Inc.

August 20, 2020 - 6:30 p.m.

## Marquette County Fairgrounds, Westfield

**Members Present:** Dave Timme, April Proeber, Bette Krueger, Susanne Kufahl, John Bennett, Kayla Darr, Hannah Wolsdorf, Char Laney, Richelle Kufahl, Mark Groskreutz, Matt Groskreutz, Savannah Kufahl

**Members excused:** Brenna Bays, John Kampen

**Members unexcused:** Josh Capodarco, Joanne Dalton, Josh Knoch

**Guests:** Char Bennett, Linda Baumann, Ali Buchholz, Amber Vossekuil

**Extension staff:** Jackie Stoneman, Support Staff; Christa Van Treeck, 4-H Youth Dev. Educator  
President Timme called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m., followed by Pledge of Allegiance.  
Motion to **approve minutes** of July 23, 2020 meeting made by Matt Groskreutz; second by Wolsdorf; motion carried.

Susanne Kufahl gave the **Treasurer's report** as follows: beginning balance of \$28,589.70; checks in the amount of \$151.00 were written; no income deposited; ending balance is \$28,438.27. There are still \$237.25 of outstanding premium checks from 2019.

Kufahl also reported that money for boat/camper storage has started coming in with \$1,410.00 sent to county treasurer's office to be deposited.

Motion to accept Treasurer's report made by Bennett second by Proeber; motion carried.

**Citizen input:** Linda Baumann asked for a donation from fair board for a sign that will have the Marquette County Fair information on it, along with three other organizations. The cost is \$900 total and will be placed by the Westfield Chamber building near Fortifi Bank. (See Action Items.)

This is a public meeting. As such, all members or a majority of the members of the County Board may be in attendance. While a majority of the County Board members or the majority of any given County Board Committee may be present, only the above Marquette County Fair Board will take official actions based on the above agenda."

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**Committee reports:**

**Executive and Finance:** Timme indicated that a letter was written to Paul Van Treeck requesting the \$12,000 be transferred to the fair board account. Kufahl indicated that \$15,600 for boat storage was raised in 2019. Kufahl questioned why the Highway Department has been giving bills for the electric at the fair grounds and a check needed to be written. After discussion, it was decided that a check will continue to be written for this expense. Timme informed the board that a new and larger transformer was installed at the fairgrounds. After some discussion on prior year agreements for boat/camper storage, it was agreed that Kufahl will provide these contracts to Jackie and she will scan them into her documents to save storage space.

**Entertainment:** Timme spoke with Ann from Wenzels carnival. She indicated that they are willing to do our fair in 2021 if the dates work. She will get back to Timme in the near future. Proeber set a meeting for the entertainment committee for Sunday, October 4 at 2:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds.

**Volunteer:** None.

**Building and Grounds:** See Informational/Discussion Only items.

**Promotions and Technology:** Kufahl indicated that she has been working on the website including the boat storage information and forms and thus far, it has been working out well.

**Market Animal Auction:** It was reported that the animal scales are on the WI Surplus site (\$4,550 for the large scale and \$226 for the smaller scale. This was as of 08/20); bidding closes on 08/31. The large scale does have a \$6,000 reserve. (Balance of information is in Action Items)

**Action Items:**

**Approve donating money toward new sign – Westfield Chamber building:** Linda Baumann, from the Westfield Chamber, requested a donation toward the cost of a new sign wherein the county fair dates would be listed; motion by Mark Groskreutz, second by Proeber to donate \$250 toward the cost; motion carried.

**Approve fair rules of Jr. and Open Class wording:** The following shall be the in the fair premium books: **“Who can exhibit”:** Junior exhibitors need to be members of Marquette County and/or belong to a local youth organization that is in or extends into Marquette County to exhibit at the fair. They must, however, meet the following: be at least in third (3<sup>rd</sup>) grade; under the age of 20 years as of January 1 of the fair; belong to and be in good standing in 4-H, FFA, Scouts, breed groups or any other youth organization under adult supervision that has an education program appropriate to that organization and is approved by the fair board.” Motion by Proeber, second by Mark Groskreutz; motion carried. It was discussed that open class will remain the same as already printed.

**Change/Add to Bylaws:** After discussion it was decided that the Bylaws would stay as is and that the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, as well as the Board of Directors, all have the right to vote.

**Language for Entertainer/Vendor contracts:** Future agenda item for Executive and Finance committee.

**Buy or rent a scale:** Discussion on pros and cons of whether or not to rent or buy a scale. The funds raised from the sale of the two existing scales will be given to the Meat Animal Auction committee. Motion by Bennett to allow the Meat Animal Auction to purchase a new scale and head gate; second by Richelle Kufahl; motion carried.

**Steer weigh-in on December 12, 2020:** Motion by Bennett, second by Laney to approve the date for steer weigh-in; motion carried.

**Add 30 feet onto south side of hog barn:** Discussion on a 30' addition to hog building; stakes are in and paint on ground for addition. New posts, existing Trusses and new tin on roof, as well as concrete for the floor will be required; motion by Bennett, second by Matt Groskruetz; motion carried. Discussion that a drawing/map of the addition would be necessary for the Property Committee to approve said addition. Ali Buchholz will provide the same (map/drawing) to Bennett for the Property Committee.

**Volunteer Dinner:** Susanne Kufahl made a motion to postpone this until after the 2021 fair; second by Darr; motion carried.

**Set next meeting date:** Meeting will be held at the Harrisville Fire station on Thursday, September 24th at 6:30 p.m.

**Informational Items:**

**Report of Fair Board Members:** None.

**Prioritize list of items to be done at fairgrounds:** List to be organized/compiled and prioritized at September meeting (Action Item):

LED lights in all buildings, track & grandstand (if not already installed)

Speakers in small animal barn

More outlets everywhere (limited power sources)

Round barn: gates in the "circle" are all loose/rotted off; fences need repair

Boards on buildings need to be replaced

Wash rack – boards are bad

Run-off problem near the 4-H food stand/drainage

**Add the youth meat animal auction rules into the fair book once they are updated and approved by committee:** Animal auction committee meeting to be held October 7 at 6:30 p.m.

**Both animal scales are on WI Surplus Online Auction** and bidding ends 08/31/2020.

**Carnival:** See Entertainment.

Motion to adjourn made by Matt Groskreutz, second by Richell Kufahl to adjourn; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bette Krueger, Secretary