

Minutes of: 25th District Agricultural Association

Meeting Held on: Tuesday, July 20, 2004

Directors Present: Myrna Abramowicz, Don Carr, Dave Dickson, Hope Lugo
Peggy O'Kelly and Greg Rodeno

Directors Absent: Paul Battisti, Jim Cathcart, and Paul Dohring

Staff Present: Joseph Anderson and Denise Davis

Others Present: Muriel Fagiani and John Salmon

ROLL CALL AND QUORUM CONFIRMATION

President Abramowicz called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m., confirming the presence of a quorum.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Abramowicz called for approval of the agenda.

Director Carr moved approval of the agenda as presented. Director Rodeno seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Abramowicz opened the floor for public comment. There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Director Carr moved approval of the minutes from May 18, 2004. Director Rodeno seconded the motion. The motion carried.

INFORMATION ITEMS AND PROGRAM REPORTS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee – President Abramowicz asked Director O'Kelly to buy an animal at the auction this year, not to exceed \$900 in sales price.

Personnel Committee – There was no Personnel Committee report at this meeting.

Friends Committee – The Friends Board has been invited to join the Fair Board in riding in the annual Fair parade, and gathering in the Directors House afterwards.

Livestock Committee – Interim CEO Anderson reported that the mandatory work day for all livestock exhibitors is this coming Saturday. We missed the entry limitation on all animals this year. We broke ground on the new livestock office and restroom this morning, with plans for the facility to be usable by fair time. Some of the donors to the project include Heide & Williams, Green Valley Concrete, and Dowdell Plumbing. The goal remains to have 50% of the project built with in-kind donations, with the remaining funds coming from the Junior Livestock Advisory Committee, the livestock contingency fund, and the Millennium fund.

Buildings and Grounds Committee – There was no Buildings and Grounds Committee report.

Finance Committee – Interim CEO Anderson gave the Finance Committee report.

Vice President Dickson moved that the financials be approved. Director O’Kelly seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Real Estate and Development Committee – Vice President Dickson reported that the planning commission has made the requested changes in their draft planning concepts. The plans eliminated the road designation through the grounds. The planning concepts go to the City Council on August 3rd. Director Carr asked for a clarification of the open space spine indication on page 13 of the planning concepts. Vice President Dickson answered.

President Abramowicz called for public comment on the planning concepts. John Salmon commented on the open space spine indication in the planning concepts being in conflict with the phase two planning the Board had gone through in the previous year. The Board thanked Mr. Salmon for bringing this issue to their attention.

Muriel Fagiani asked the Board if it was possible for the Expo to erect buildings on a space designated as open space by the City.

John Salmon added that the Board should indicate to the City that the spine through the Expo may not be a straight line.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence at this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no “New Business” brought up by Board members at this meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following: Standard Agreement #STD-04-24 through and including #STD-04-33.

Director Rodeno moved approval of the Consent Calendar. Director O’Kelly seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CEO/MANAGER’S REPORT

Interim CEO Anderson reported that the non-profit food booths will be re-organized this year to accommodate the damage to the booths from the tree limb falling. American Legion has agreed to forego their booth this one year in exchange for acting as docents in Cabernet Hall, and getting paid for that service. One DeMolay organization will move into the American Legion booth, while the other will take over the old Rainbow Girls booth. The Firefighters and Rainbow Girls will remain in their same booths from 2003. Repairs and changes will take place on a permanent basis over the winter.

The Revenue Generating project was submitted. As of this meeting, we have not heard back from Fairs and Expos regarding approval.

Entries for the 2004 Fair are up in general, with increases in livestock, quilts and professional art.

Entertainment for this year is KC and the Sunshine Band (partially underwritten by the carnival), War, Tracy Lawrence, The Coasters and John Cafferty & the Beaver Brown Band.

The Board received their list of recommended events to attend during the Fair, and a form to request tickets to the grandstand events.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Lugo moved to adjourn the meeting of the 25th District Agricultural Association Board of Directors at 1:45 p.m. Director Rodeno seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Joseph Anderson, Interim CEO Date

Myrna Abramowicz, President Date