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August 14-18th, 2024

Meeting of the Door County Fair Board
September 20th, 6:00 pm
County Board Room, Door County Government Center, Sturgeon Bay

1. Call to order
2. Establish a Quorum
3. Approve Agenda
4. Approve August Minutes
5. Liaison Report
6. 2023 Fair REview
7. 2024 Fair
 1. Officer Positions and Duties
 2. Budget
 3. Capital Projects
 4. Annual Meeting
 5. Other
 1. Payment for building needs? Cages/decorations/feeders
8. Next Meeting
9. Adjourn

Deviation from the order shown may occur.

DOOR COUNTY FAIR AUGUST MEETING

Monday, August 21, 2023 6:00PM

ADRC, Sturgeon Bay

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:11 by Tom Ash

2. Establish a Quorum

___Yes established, , Aaron Ash, Wayne Spritka, Kristen Tassoul, Hilary Heard, Jamie Soukup, Thad Ash, John White, Jeremy Schopf, Roy Engelbert, Ken Pabich, Tom Ash, Chuck Ploor, Dale Wiegand, Jim Wautier, Krissy Philips, Father Tom Birdsall, Candis Dart, Mike Riederer, Denis Plassmeyer, Mary Laughlin, Trent Olson, Tim K., Sue Havel, Sampo
Not in attendance: Steve Jennerjohn

3. Approve Agenda

Motion by Thad Ash, seconded by John White to approve the agenda.

4. Approve 7.26.23 Minutes (see attached)

Motion by Thad Ash, seconded by Aaron Ash to approve the minutes of July 23, 2023.

5. Liaison Report - NA

6. Intern Report - NA

7. 2023 Fair

- a. Fair Review – Entries were up this year in almost all departments. Attendance was up almost 2000 people, which put us to where we were for our 150th fair. One of the best of the last 10years, it was over 20,000 people total.
- b. Thad – Small group of people for cleanup, parks department was very helpful. The entertainment selection was well received, cleaners did an excellent job. Gravel is needed on the south end of the parking lot, there are large potholes that were being avoided by many people. Public did appreciate the bands being moved to the building for rain. The community was asking for recycling containers. Stands are curious as to how food vendors were selected and/or limited. The public wants more options of food not just what stands have. No issues in the rabbit barn, less issues with kids causing disturbances. Sign requested for wrist band needed for those under 30 for alcoholic beverages. The sheriff department advised to make distinction of energy drinks versus alcoholic options. Beef and Sheep went well. The dairy barn needs speakers in the opposite end of barn. Pickup and drop off for horticulture building could improve. Perhaps volunteers are needed or parking available for the drop off area. The building looked fuller, dairy barn went well, minor adjustments can be made to move smoother. Glam Band was a larger crowd. Demo Derby – After demo are they allowed to lock the gate between the pits and entry. Clean up was much better this year. Can the time of Demo Derby be moved up to 1pm. Hard to hear in the stands over the band. Wednesday night preview night. Coors bill hard to understand. Exit Time hard to manage. QMAS went well, great buyer turnout \$110,000 raised for kids. Some issues with hoses breaking because of high pressure water. Looking to move the entry time for animals up to accommodate the ultrasound judge. Possible discount for senior citizens. Families feel this fair is very affordable. The fair is looking at going more digital with entry, suggested to the stands to investigate going online. Electronic Payment options, handicap parking, pickup and drop off at 14th avenue, we used the top parking lot for overflow, and it would be good to have it marked for stalls. Signage to the merchant buildings. Pedestrian walking path needs to be marked off for next year. Are bikes allowed in the fairgrounds. Signage needed for bikes; bike rack needed for gates. Advertising is needed before the fair. Bigger signs for daily events. What are the guidelines for smoking on the fairgrounds. The county is a smoke free county, no smoking is technically allowed but it is hard to police. Has a pavilion been discussed for a permanent stage or building that allows the show to go on in the rain. The race promoters have completed their contract which does determine the logistics for the Grandstands. Hardwire computers in the secretary's office and in the junior fair building. WE have a 3-year contract with the carnival. Next year's fair is August- 14-18. More adult rides are requested for midway.

8. Next Meeting – September 20th, 2023

9. Adjournment

Motion by Thad Ash, seconded by John White to adjourn. Motion carried. Time: 6:57pm

Submitted by Hilary Heard