Meeting Minutes: NYF Board of Directors' Meeting
Date: March 3, 2025
Time: 7:02 PM

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM.

II. Registration of Members & Guests / Correspondence

Guests in attendance:

- Jessica Breedlove; Amy Schnacky; Dusty Kalkomey; Richard Brewer; Treacy Myska; Matt Bryson

Regular Members in attendance:

- Kimberly Blezinger; Cris Meyer; Heath Breedlove; Robyn Reeh; Trey Sawyer; Dustin Smith; Jeremy Simmons; Shelley Schmidt; Julie Kveton; Trisha Kaminski; Marc Hackstedt; Johnny West; Scott Wieghat

III. Review/Approve Meeting Minutes

Dustin made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Heath seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Kimberly Blezinger presented the Treasurer's Report.

V. Committee Reports

No formal committee reports were discussed.

VI. Old Business

a. Save the Date/Fair Schedule
The fair schedule was discussed, and attendees were reminded to save the date.

b. Building Update/Asphalt/Lighting

- Asphalt prices are currently high, and the committee is looking into alternative options.
- Additional lights are needed, with a proposal to add 3 lights for a total cost of $1,220. Kimberly made a motion to approve the purchase of 3 lights. Cris seconded the motion, and the purchase was approved.
- Jeremy will arrange for NYF to borrow 3 porta-cools.

c. Concession Stand
Dustin will obtain pricing for gates to be added to the fence behind the concession stand for cooking. Jeremy offered a 10x12 rent for cooking this year.

d. Scholarship Committee Update

- 13 applications were received. A panel of 6 individuals evaluated the applications.
- The committee is requesting a budget of $10,750 to award 15 scholarships in 2025. Dustin made a motion to approve the scholarship budget. Trey seconded, and the motion passed.

e. Parent Work Contract Update
The Parent Work Contract is live for sign-ups.

f. Rabbit Tag In
Rabbit Tag In will be held on Monday, March 24, from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM.

g. 2024-2025 Gun Raffle Tickets Sales Update
The Gun Raffle has been completed, and a report was provided. After all expenses, NYF raised $24,100.

h. McCormick Hog Rental Update and Arena Preparations
The McCormick Hog rental will arrive between Wednesday, March 12thand stay till March 20th.

i. RVOS Insurance Update
A letter regarding RVOS Insurance is available for review.

j. Teykl Memorial Update
The drawing and plans for the Teykl Memorial have been submitted to the city. However, it will not be ready by the fair.

VII. New Business

a. 2025 NYF Theme
A vote was held on the 2025 NYF theme. The winning theme, "Rooted in Agriculture, Growing Our Future!" will be used for the fair.

b. 2025 NYF Honorary Member
A vote was held for the 2025 Honorary Member. Damon Farm & Ranch was selected.

c. Knight of Columbus/Fair Dinner
Dusty proposed that the Knight of Columbus (KC) cook and package the dinner plates for the fair. The KC will cook the plates, and NYF will need to supply servers and beverages (tea/water). Kimberly made a motion to purchase the plates at $10 each, totaling $450, and sell them for $15 each. Julie seconded the motion, and it was approved.

d. Main Street Construction/NYF Parade
The city will be installing a new water line; however, the construction will not affect the parade as everything will be covered and marked for safety.

e. Fireworks
Dustin made a motion to approve a maximum budget of $5,000 for fireworks. Cris seconded the motion, and it was approved.

f. Trail Riders
It was noted that some dirt needs to be added to address mess left from previous activities.

g. Security & Night Watchman
Dustin and Scott will work on securing staff for security and night watchman duties.

h. Planters
A proposal was made to purchase one of each species and two boots for planters. Dustin made a motion to spend $675 on the metal planters from El Campo FFA. Jeremy seconded the motion, and it was approved.

i. Next NYF Board Meeting
The next NYF Board meeting will be held on April 1, 2025, at 7:00 PM.

VIII. Adjournment

Heath made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Johnny seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.