February Board Meeting

Tuesday February 6, 2024

Attendees

Lexi, Lorna, Lindsey, Nicole, Dave, Lacey, Whitney, April, Teresa, Kristina and via video Kristen

Agenda

Meet Gerry Pendell at Fairgrounds to go over office details

1. Looked at Gerrys proposal and plans. Discussed details and wishes.

Meeting was called to order at 6:22pm

Last Meeting Minutes Read

New Business

- 1. Grant
 - a. Accumulating numbers and bids
 - b. Review changes
 - c. Touch base on wish list for the grounds besides the office. Which would include things like electrical updates and drainage in the arena.
 - d. This is not a one time grant. We can apply for it each year.
 - e. Touched base about getting the gate/shoot fixed before the season starts.

2. Treasury Report

- a. Kristen is working on getting on the account.
- b. There are 3 accounts: checking, saving, and scholarship.
- c. WIll have an updated report soon.
- d. From Kristen not many answers at the bank. But theyre going to contact Lexi or Kristen about docu-sign to get her access.
- 3. Pancake Breakfast

- a. The board thought it was a great fundraiser. It was simple and easy to work along with the fire department. A great option in the off season. The weather in the morning made it slow but it picked up.
- b. Dave will let us know how the fire department side thinks things went
- c. Tips was the money maker not the tickets about \$194 in tickets and \$219 in tips.
- d. A trick is to have people buy the ticket and not come. If they dont we get the whole 10 and if they do we only get 1 off of it. So if someone cant make it or its to far they can still buy and help us out.

4. Fundraiser idea

- a. April suggested a Maine Maverick voucher of sorts for a random draw on like 20 spots. You can run multiple.
- b. Use our line dancing favor for a dance in the Driscol Barn. Maybe Sept 14-15? If the NBHA shows dont come.

5. Embroidery

- a. Gary is no longer with us so our future embroidery options have become challenging.
- b. To keep things affordable maybe cut out the logo and/or words.
- c. Maybe look into screen printing.
- d. Use a leather plaque/badge and adhere it to the chairs or coats.
- e. Dale the new embroiderer sent an info form to make sure things are correct. That goes to the individual for them to proof as well.
- f. Talked about other embroidery options but Lacey and Lexi really shopped around.
- g. Nicole is going to touch base with someone in Berkshire
- h. We learned a lot this year with the award jackets with spelling errors and wrong sizing.
- i. Add disclaimer for next year.
- j. We are spending \$600 in corrections.
- k. It was unanimous that spelling errors will be fixed on our end but if people didnt order the correct size thats on the individual to replace. Size chart and descriptions of the jacket are clear.
- I. Asking for items that are getting replaced back. Maybe take the embroidery out and reuse it somehow.
- m. Jennifer H jacket correction
 - Really would like to finalize her deal and wrap up things from 2023.
 - Everyone agreed to give Jenn \$60 and she can take it where she wants to have it fixed.
- 6. Tack Sale and BBQ
 - a. Tack Sale

- Bake Sale (April) coffee and hot coco were the biggest hits. Worked out a way to keep the hot water going.
- Set up tables (Lacey, Teresa, Lorna)
- Break down tables (Whitney, Lindsey)
- b. BBQ \$14 Meal with 2 sides \$9 Half
 - Money (Nicole)
 - Donations (Lindsey touching base with Pete and Lacey has a master list of more)
 - Packing food (Whitney, LIndsey)
 - Food Runner (Kristina)
 - Pit (Ryan)
- c. Is there a bluetooth microphone that can go through the speakers?
 - Nickie Kurdy may use something?
- d. Lacey got 4 forms already.
- e. Last year we had 46 tables. We have access to 40 tables and lots of people bring their own.
- f. Extras
 - Face painter
 - Horse drawn carriages (gifting them 2 memberships)
 - The Scoop Ice Cream 12-2
- g. The two schools in WP are advertising the event
- h. Moving line dancing to another event. Maybe a dance in the Driscol Barn.

7. Can we get any involvement at the fair. The main reason we cant is because of the lack of space left for trucks and trailers. Out bid the rodeo?

8. A new arena is coming to the area.

- a. Just to keep in mind for next year's dates.
- b. Regardless, another connection in the area.

9. Adding sand to the arena this year and adding some drainage. Broome county water and soil may have a grant we could use to do more.

10. Sponsors are coming in

11. Show day entrance signs just to catch the attention of the community. Especially with the food truck, let them know we are there.

12. NBHA sept 14-15

- a. Teresa not sure if they (Tom and Tammy) want the 2 day show because of Cowgirl Couture.
 - Can we use the dates ourselves
 - NBHA sanctioned
 - Or split up the silver show weekend

- How would fees work? Would it be worth the boards time? Whos running the office?
- 13. Merch with Lacey
 - a. Always evolving but she currently does have some things that she will bring to the next meeting
 - b. Gathering things for the Tack Sale and start of the season
 - c. Trying to be cautious with spending because of the grant going through
- 14. It was requested by members that the 3rd pattern be the FLYING M and DASH
- 15. Photography
 - a. Designated people for the day. At the end of the day the flash drive gets loaded and put back in the office.
 - b. Whitney and Nicole
 - c. If theres another couple of people who would help especially at the performance show. Or have a gymkhana person take pictures on performance day and vice versa.

Action Items

- 1. Bringing in sponsors with their logos and complete forms
- 2. Gathering donations for tack sale & BBQ
- 3. Finalize embroidery corrections
- 4. Getting access to bank account
- 5. Arena shoot/gate

Next Meeting

March 4th, 2024

6:00 pm

Whitney Point, Dunkin Donuts