

## **Van Buren County Extension Council Meeting Minutes**

**June 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds picnic shelter or by phone.**

Kisling, Noll, Whitaker, Coffman, Westercamp, Plowman, and Peacock were at the office. Eden joined by phone. Gilchrist was absent.

Kisling Called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Staff present Nancy and Jennifer. New Region 26 Director, Craig Leager was present, and introductions made.

Agenda was approved with Whitaker moving and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Coffman passed 8-0.

Public Forum Kaye Gilbert.

Minutes from the May meeting were given beforehand and approved. Moved by Noll to accept the May minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> Plowman, passed 8-0.

Treasurers report was given by Peacock. Treasurer's report of vouchers 5617-5637 totaling \$14,802.42 from 5/26/2020 to 6/11/2020. Moved by Whitaker that these vouchers be paid. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Noll, passed 8-0.

Motion for approval by Whitaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> Noll, passed 8-0.

Staff reports were given and approved by Westercamp and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Plowman, passed 8-0

Eden gave a report on the fair board committee. The carnival is cancelled. No other counties will participate with VB 4-H. There will be an open show each day of 4-H shows. Shows will be livestreamed on Facebook. The committee will meet again on June 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds. There should be an information station at each barn.

Whitaker moved to have livestock shows with or without backing of ISUEO and use of the 4-H Clover and static projects at the VBC fair. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Plowman. Passed 7-1. Eden, Plowman, Whitaker, Kisling, Noll, Coffman, and Peacock voting aye. Westercamp voting nay.

The fair photo backdrop needs a total of about \$450. The FFA chapter has donated \$200. Coffman moved to use disbanded club funds up to \$300 and if the amount is more, pay the extra from the Monsanto donation. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Noll, passed 8-0.

Kisling reported that the storage building has been ordered and approved by city zoning, he's getting quotes for dirt work.

2 applications were received for the fair help position and one for fair photographer. Eden moved to offer all 3 applicants the positions with the fair assistants sharing 170 hours of time (this is 120 hours of fair time and the 50 hours that was allotted for day camps). 2<sup>nd</sup> by Plowman, passed 8-0.

The carryover report and carryover funds were discussed.

Coffman moved to purchase computers from campus, the Latitude 5410 for Jennifer and Latitude 5400 w/docking station for Nancy. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Noll, passed 8-0.

Purchasing a new copier was tabled to a later date.

Noll moved to purchase supplies for the office and fair before July 1<sup>st</sup>. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Westercamp, passed 8-0.

Kisling moved to reopen the office following the guidelines set by the State and Extension. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Coffman, passed 8-0.

Jennifer put forth a plan for project judging following the 4-H Fair Guidelines best practices. Whitaker moved to implement Jennifer's plan. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Coffman, passed 8-0.

Kay Gilbert talked about adding a returning bucket bottle calf project and fair classes. Plowman moved to start this with the 2021 fair. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Noll, passed 8-0.

Clover Kids fair participation awards were tabled until the committee speaks with the fair board.

Westercamp moved to enforce the missed ID deadline. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Noll, passed 8-0.

Noll moved to change time of rabbit show from 3:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Peacock, passed 8-0.

Plowman or Coffman will attend the next fair board meeting.

Noll moved to Adjourn at 9:20pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Plowman passed 8-0.