

Committee: Oneida County Fair Planning Team
Meeting Date: March 3, 2011
Meeting Time: 5:30 p.m.
Meeting Place: Curran Professional Park, Basement Conference Room,
315 South Oneida Avenue, Rhinelander WI

Committee Members Present: Craig Mandli; Cindy Eckardt; Michelle Wich;
Denise Rheume-Brand; Jenny Zier; LeRoy Eades; Tom Peterson; Nancy Gehrig;
Freda Waalkens; Sue Glentz; Mark Pelletier.

Excused: Bill Bell; Theresa Seabloom; Secretary Melanie Ostermann.

Others Present: Tina Werres (Fair Coordinator); Eric Britton (applicant);
Jim Lillis; Amanda Lawniczak.

Call to Order and President's announcement: President Craig Mandli called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Roll Call: Acting Secretary Cindy Eckardt called the Roll Call, noting the absence of Secretary Melanie Ostermann; Bill Bell; & Theresa Seabloom.

Approve Agenda for today's meeting (order of agenda items at discretion of President): It was moved by Freda Waalkens, seconded by Jenny Zier, to approve the agenda with the order of agenda items at President's discretion. All ayes.
Motion carried.

Mission Statement: Tina Werres read the Mission Statement.

Approve minutes of February 3, 2011: It was moved by LeRoy Eades, seconded by Jenny Zier, to approve the February 3, 2011 minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

Approve potential committee member(s): Mark Pelletier will presumably be approved as a committee member at the next Ag & Extension Committee meeting (next week). New applicant, Eric Britton, submitted verbal application for membership. It was moved by Freda Waalkens, seconded by LeRoy Eades, to accept / approve Eric Britton's application for the Oneida County Fair Planning Team, and will forward application to the Oneida County Agriculture & Extension Committee. All ayes. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None.

Financial Report:

a) Budget report: In Bill Bell's absence, Craig Mandli stated that Bill Bell had made the minor adjustments to the 2011 Preliminary Budget for the Oneida County Fair Planning Team. It was moved by Jenny Zier, seconded by Nancy Gehrig, to approve the 2011 Preliminary Budget for the Oneida County Fair, as previously outlined by Bill Bell. All ayes. Motion carried.

b) Expense report: Down payment of \$2,500.00 for **K & M Carnival**, 2 year contract. **A-1 Septic** Service contract (same equipment provided as in 2010) \$1,930.00.

c) Approval of expenses:

It was moved by Jenny Zier, seconded by Freda Waalkens, to approve the down payment of \$2,500.00 to **K & M**. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Nancy Gehrig, seconded by Freda Waalkens, to approve payment of \$1,930.00 to **A-1 Septic**. All ayes. Motion carried.

d) Fairest expenses and scholarship: Amanda Lawniczak presented a report on the 2010 Fairest of the Fair expenses, as well as a 2011 Fairest of the Fair Scholarship Increase Proposal, which includes a \$1,000.00 scholarship (increase from \$250.00 in 2010). There was no opposition to the increase in the scholarship amount. It was moved by Tom Peterson, seconded by Jenny Zier, to approve the 2011 scholarship of \$1,000.00, along with the proposed 2011 budget for the Fairest of the Fair. All ayes. Motion carried.

Contracts:

a) Chamber vending contract: Due to the recent changes in the chamber director vacancy, Craig Mandli stated that new fair planning team members, Mark Pelletier and LeRoy Eades, along with Fair Coordinator Tina Werres, have agreed to oversee the vendors for the fair.

b) City / County grounds use contract: Tina Werres gave an update on the City / County grounds use contract, in as much as it's approved.

c) Bleacher transfer: Tina Werres stated that the bleachers ownership has been transferred from the Fair to the City, for consideration of \$1.00.

d) Carnival contract: Tina Werres reported that the contract is ready to go with K & M Carnival, and will be for a 2 year period.

e) A-1 Septic contract: Tina Werres reported that A-1 Septic contract is the same as in 2010.

Pending projects:

a) Team Reports: Tina Werres stated that a few teams (such as Family Land; Container Garden; Animal Alley) have started meeting and she encouraged others to provide a written report to her.

Task reports:

a) OCF shirts for committee members: Michelle Wich reported that the quote for Texas Orange colored tee shirts from FMB Custom Embroidery for the 14 Oneida County Fair Planning Team Members amounted to \$211.56. This was for one shirt at \$11.00 for each team member, and included the logo. Discussion ensued on if team

members should have two tee shirts. Since the price was reasonable, it was agreed that each team member should have a second tee shirt. It was moved by Nancy Gehrig, seconded by Jenny Zier, to purchase 2 Texas Orange tee shirts provided by FMB Custom Embroidery for \$11.00 per shirt for fair committee members. All ayes. Motion carried.

b) Moving electronics and file cabinet from UW Extension: Tina Werres asked for volunteers to help move electronics and file cabinet from UW Extension to the Curran Building. Tom Peterson, LeRoy Eades, and Craig Mandli volunteered to do this at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, March 4, 2011.

Administrative Reports:

a) Membership at Chamber: Tina Werres asked if the Oneida County Fair should become a non-profit member of the Rhinelander Chamber of Commerce. The general consensus was agreeable to become a non-profit member of the Rhinelander Chamber, but to also seek non-profit membership fee amounts from the Minocqua and Three Lakes Chambers of Commerce as well. Tina Werres will check into this and report back at the next meeting.

b) Membership for IAFA: Tina Werres asked if the Oneida County Fair should become a member of the International Fairs Association. It was decided that the members would like more information, as to the benefits of belonging, to this association before making a decision.

Tentative Team Leaders for 2011 fair:

a) Areas of team planning and responsibilities: Tina Werres passed out a print out of areas and responsibilities, in case anyone would know someone who would like to pursue overseeing areas in a historical and food areas. This list of team leaders will be e-mailed to each of the planning committee members.

Date of next meeting: *April 14, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.*

Public Comment / Communications: None.

Items to be included on next agenda: Chamber memberships updates.

Adjournment: It was moved by Jenny Zier, seconded by Freda Waalkens, to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Cindy Eckardt, Acting Secretary