

Nechako Valley Exhibition Society May 17, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Directors Present: Justus Benckhysen, Valerie Dettwiler, Judy Gould, Carlina Schumann, Shelley Funk, Linda Siemens, Jeannie Walker, ColleenVoth.

Other Present: Lise Ohn, Herman Thiessen.

Missing Director: Ray Bick

1. Correspondence - received a letter from a Band that wants to play at the fair.
 - the Co-op wants to use the grounds for a BBQ on Aug. 28/10. These were approved at a previous meeting and will be discussed in New Business.
 - concern was expressed about the birds getting into the arena. The door to the arena is supposed to remain closed and has been found propped open several times. Arena riders need to work to keep the doors closed and the birds out.
2. Treasurers Report - report given by Colleen thru to May 18, 2010.
 - A. Chequing Account: \$2985
 - B. Term Deposit: \$18,109.00
 - C. Term Beposit: \$10,000.00
 - a year to date report was presented as well. Jeannie motions to accept the reports as given, 2nd by Valerie, carried.
3. Staff Report given by Judy - Judy has been working with the Katimivik volunteer named Harris. He is a nice man, trying hard and is easy to work with. He has cleaned out some storage and has been painting the office. He will be here until June.
 - Bev is no longer working for us and has turned in his keys.
 - Summer Student: we are receiving \$3000 from the District of Vanderhoof to go towards paying a summer student. The District is also giving us one mowing of the grounds. Justus has been in discussions with the District about getting the manure moved. Linda has moved most of the manure that she can get too, the grounds is too wet to remove the rest. Jeannie moves to accept the report as given, 2nd by Colleen, carried.
4. Wet Lands - Justus has been talking to a women named Kristina about restoring the Wet Land to its natural state, she thinks she can get funding to do that. It would be nice to have a path and maybe a couple benches.
5. Louise needs her horse pens cleaned out and has offered to hire the fair board to do this for her. Carlina motions that we let Herman use the bobcat to clean Louise's horse pens and charge her \$80 an hour. 2nd by Valerie, carried.
6. Fall Fair: Shelley presented a projected budget for the 2010 Fall Fair.
 - A. Projected Income \$18,000
 - B. Projected Expenses \$24,185
 - C. Ribbon Cost \$1514.55
 - D. Projected Profit \$7,000
 - we need to hire employees for jobs like running the bobcat (pushing up shavings, working the arena's...), cleaning the washrooms, taking care of garbage...
 - there was a lot of discussion about entry fees for the fair; we need to look at charging an administration fee to competitors.
 - we need to get all the forms to Michelle to get up onto the website

- Valerie suggested we look at holding a Team Roping or Barrel Race Calcutta. This may be a fun way to make a bit of money. Linda will look into and we'll discuss more at a later date.
 - Still need a group to run security and children's games. After some discussion, Herman suggested The Vanderhoof Christian Fellowship Church could do security for \$550 for the weekend and one day rental of the grounds. Shelley motions we accept this, 2nd by Jeannie, carried.
 - Judy received a letter from a vender asking that we not allow competing vendors to rent booths/tables selling the same products and that we allow first right of refusal for the next year. Judy motions we allow this request, 2nd by Colleen, carried.
7. Co-op BBQ - they have asked that we allow attendants to camp overnight. Shelley motions we allow this, 2nd by Jeannie, carried.
- they have also asked if they could have a couple camp fires. Motion by Jeannie to allow a fire in a pit in a safe location abiding by the fire warnings. 2nd by Linda, carried.
8. Keys & Locks - we need to implement a one master key system. Justus and Judy will look at doing. Shelley expressed concerns about the Heavy Horse barn doors, will need improvement come fall. Justus would like to look at getting a security system.
9. Painting the Beef Barn - there has been a request to paint the inside of the Beef Barn white. There may be some white paint around. Justus has a paint sprayer that he is willing to lend out. Jeannie has a 5 gallon pail of paint that may be able to be used. Valerie will look into getting a work crew and Justus will get the building pressure washed. Harris could do repairs.
10. Painting the Arena - Justus needed to approach Co-op about paint donation and speaking with local painters about instruction. This has not yet been done. He did receive a quote from Irly Bird for over \$2000, however, this was for only one coat of paint; the general consensus is we'd need two coats, doubling our costs. Valerie motions that we do not proceed with painting the bleachers in the arena, 2nd by Linda, carried.
11. Arena Riders report given by Lise - the riders had a meeting and they have noticed that there are members that have not put in their hours and also have not paid their \$60. The sub-committee's suggestion is that the \$60 billing be carried forward to next year's membership. Val motions that we support the sub-committee's recommendation, 2nd by Jeannie, carried. We will implement policy and proceed for the new season.
12. The Vanderhoof Christian Fellowship Church (represented by Herman) is requesting use of tables for a wedding. Valerie motions that Herman takes the tables and use them in exchange for his time on the bobcat cleaning Louise's horse pens. 2nd by Jeannie, opposed by Shelley, carried.

Meeting Adjourned.