MINUTES DOMESTIC ANIMAL COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at 6:08-7:20 p.m. Conference Center, Lawrence

PRESENT: Janice Zerbe, Nancy Wheatley, Denise Noble, Alex deFinta, Colleen Overacker

Call to Order

6:08 p.m. by Vice President Nancy Wheatley

Elections

deFinta moved and it was duly seconded by Overacker to re-elect Connie Johnston as President. The motion carried.

Overacker moved and it was duly seconded by deFitna to re-elect Denise Noble as Secretary. The motion carried.

Minutes

Overacker moved and it was duly seconded by deFinta to approve the 06/08/17 minutes. The motion carried.

Financial Reports

Financial Report/Budget: The following budget was proposed with the removal of money for the frog jump/turtle race as Van Buren Voyagers will be sponsoring that now. Overacker removed prior postage line item. There are bank fees that she will work on having removed by having emailed statements that are forwarded to the 4-H Office. deFinta moved and it was duly seconded by Noble to adopt the budget. The motion carried.

2017-2018 Proposed DAC Budget

| Income | Budget | Expense |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------|
| Balance Forward | \$ 1,126.44 | |
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| Expenses | | |
| Dog Patch Program | \$ 55.00 | |
| Recordbook Sponsorships | \$ 120.00 | |
| State Award Delegate | \$ 75.56 | |
| Fun Show-Dog Show | \$ 923.00 | |
| Banking Expenses | \$ 24.00 | |
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| Total | \$ 1,126.44 | |

Fundraisers: No fundraisers are needed currently.

Trophy/Recordbook Sponsorships: Under 4-H policy, the Committee cannot sponsor Fair trophies/recordbooks. Efforts will be made to collect donations at the Spring Cat Show for recordbooks and then we'll look for private donors to match the full amount.

2017 Financial Report: This is now due on November 15 to the 4-H Office. Overacker will prepare. We need to have a third person added to the checking account so that we can have 3 signatories when committee members are not present.

Bills and Correspondence

A thank you card was received from Megan Miller for the dog recordbook sponsorship. Although DAC doesn't not financially sponsor these awards, it will be appropriate for youth to send thank you cards to DAC to be passed on.

Noble moved and it was duly seconded by deFinta to pay the following bills. The motion carried.

Glomski - \$40 for State Awards Scholarship

Overacker - \$40 for State Awards Scholarship

Colyn Johnston - \$17.76 for Frog Jump/Turtle Race supplies/awards

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

<u>Unfinished Business</u>

Fair Updates: Cat show went well. Dog show was small with only 14 dogs. The group discussed the low numbers for dogs, noting there were only a couple of clubs having dog groups. They agreed that Zerbe can take judges down from four to two, hoping that each judge can judge two events each.

Frog Jump/Turtle Race: The date and time are still appropriate. We recommend using the large livestock auction tent if possible. Van Buren Voyagers will take over the \$50 sponsorship. Noble will ask Colyn Johnston to confirm with the Fair.

Committee Structure: The group renewed prior discussion of meeting structure. Noble moved and it was seconded by deFinta to amend the bylaws that the Committee meet only for an annual meeting in October and that all other meetings be called as special meetings by a committee member. The motion is tabled until the next meeting per bylaw requirements.

New Business

2018 Cat Fun Match: Noble will work with the Paw Paw Elks to see if we can hold the show there on March 17.

Dog Superintendent - Gary Consford has retired as Dog Show Superintendent. The Fair will need to make another appointment. Members discussed possible replacements and indicated they would reach out to people they know. It was noted that the Fair Board staff can help move equipment if the new Superintendent does not have a truck/trailer.

Fair Book Change Recommendations:

Cats: Rule #1 – Should say breed not showmanship.

Cats/Dogs: There was discussion about more than one person using an animal in showmanship. It was decided that the following language should be added for both cats and dogs: "If an animal is used for more than one showmanship class, the youngest exhibitor must show first." This will be added to cats as the last sentence in Rule #1. This will be added to dogs as the last sentence in Rule #13. This may require younger classes showing first in showmanship.

Adjourn

Noble moved and deFinta seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. The motion carried.

<u>NEXT MEETING:</u> There will be no meeting in January. There will be a meeting in April to meet with the new Dog Superintendent and vote on the bylaw changes. Location of the April meeting will be determined.

Submitted,

Denise Noble