

Meeting Minutes – Ag-Ed Boosters – MLHS Ag Ed Room

Meeting date: Monday, September 16, 2013

Attendees: Therese Homan, Dave Osterloh, Bart Homan, Jim Keller, Lucy Bambauer, Terry Mescher, and Kelly Schmitmeyer

President Bart Homan called the meeting to order by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes from the July 15, 2013 meeting were read, corrected, then approved. (Terry-1st, Dave 2nd)

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Reflects activity from 7/15/2013-9/16/2013)

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| Beginning Balance: | \$14,047.30 - General Fund |
| Beginning Balance: | \$5,500.00 - Scholarship Fund |
| Income: | \$0.00 – No income this month |
| Expense: | \$0.00 – No expenses this month |
| Ending Balance: | \$14,047.30 - General Fund |
| Ending Balance: | \$5,500.00 - Scholarship Fund |
| Total on Hand | \$19,547.30 |

Treasurer's Report approved: Joe-1st, Terry-2nd

OLD BUSINESS:

5th Quarter Grant: The state will donate \$6,000. The school board is no longer donating anything due to the increase from the state.

Trap Shoot: The Marion Local name wasn't allowed to be used in advertising and the FFA kids weren't allowed to work; so we dropped the idea.

Fair: Haven't met yet. Think we made more money than last year.

Joint Social Activity with New Bremen Boosters: Lucy hasn't talked to Maria in a while.

Career Tech Money: We will find out how much money we will get from the state on October 1.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Scholarship Committee: Nothing

Membership Committee: Nothing

Planning Committee: Nothing

NEW BUSINESS:

Tailgate: October 11 at St. Henry.

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Countryfest: Talked about having bale stacking races like the ones at the Mercer Co. Fair. Lucy might suggest it to Keith W.

Pfizer: Received a check in the amount of \$6,374 from Pfizer through the Chickasaw Veterinary Center (Drs. Luft and Fledderjohann). FFA will send a thank-you note.

Corn Challenge Contest: Will have students/adults bringing in ears of corn. Prizes needed for winners. Contest will be over the 27th of October.

Building/Greenhouse: Talked about a building for the ag classes. The athletic boosters are trying to get a building approved. (The school board votes next month.) Discussed maybe building a combined building with them or maybe using the old athletic building. We are going to assign a special committee to look at other ag buildings in the area as far as design, measurements, etc. Bart was going to talk to Mark H. since he has already looked at a number of the buildings in the past. The old greenhouse at Delphos was 24' x 72'.

LUCY BAMBAUER REPORT:

National FFA Convention: The convention is in Louisville, KY. Marion is going with Versailles. 32 kids are signed up; only 20 are allowed to attend.

Marion Local Young Farmers: They are donating \$1,200 to our FFA chapter. It will be used to purchase laptops. There are 83 students enrolled in an ag class (30% of the high school). 17 students in Capstone.

October FFA Meeting: It will be held the 21st. The Ohio State University has contacted Lucy regarding their Grain Bin Storage Rescue Training. The ag boosters decided to combine our October meeting with this presentation. We will have a table with membership forms/t-shirts for people to join our organization. We have decided to run two sessions that night. Both are open to the public. Joe will contact Mark Homan about using his building to house the presentation. The boosters will pay the \$450 fee. (Terry-1st, Therese-2nd). The FFA will provide cookies/punch.

ADJOURNMENT

Terry moved and Dave seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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