

Eau Claire County Fair Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 17th, 2022, at 7:00 pm
Lincoln Town Hall

1. The meeting was called to order by Jenni Haan at 7:01 pm.
2. Roll Call of members done by Tammy Schlewitz.
Fair Board Members Present: Bethany Strauch, Missy Christopherson, Jenni Haan, Tammy Schlewitz, Darren Schlewitz, Scot Zimmerman, Letecia Papke, Tyson Flottmeier, Rachel Hart-Brinson
Absent: Danyelle Steinke, Kyle Wathke
Others Present: Debbie Kitchen -Fair Coordinator, Heather Deluka-County Board Supervisor, Rick Strauch, Dian Steinke, Keith Kitchen, and Lisa Vetsch
Fair Committee applicants: Steven Erdman, Traci Martinson, and Valerie Strauch
3. Public Comment: Heather Deluka regarding Fair Committee member selection.
Debbie Kitchen read email comments read from Debbie Flanders and Miranda Nelson, see attachments.
Scot Zimmerman read message from Carol Zimmerman.

Scot moves to close public comment. Darren seconds. Voted and passed.
4. Approval of Committee Minutes:
Scot moved to approve the minutes from 07/13/2022 as written, 2nd by Tyson- Voted and passed
Scot moves to approve the 07/20/2022 minutes with the corrections brought forth. Missy seconded. Voted and passed.
5. Fair Committee Structure Fair Representative Reports:
 - a) 4-H Leaders- Darren-profits down at food stand. Need to reevaluate for next years.
 - b) County Board- Missy-ARPA funds have been distributed.
All standing county committees need remote access for meetings.
 - c) Livestock- Scot-no update
 - d) Extension-Rachel-Final interviews for the Area Extension Director position will be 8/23.
Rachel leaves for England 08/22/2022
 - e) Friends of the Fair-Met 8/16/2022. Financial report for the fair presented.
6. Fair Coordinator Report-
 - a) Dates for the 2023 Fair. Scot moves to set the dates for the 2023 fair as July 23rd, 2023, through July 30, 2023. Letecia seconded. Voted and passed.
 - b) Future promotional ideas discussed.
 - c) State Reports due August 30th.

2022 Fair Committee Applicants-Jenni discussed with Corp Council. Q&A session to be done and poll the members for preferred candidates. Current openings are 3 youth positions (one must show in the expo) two business employees, a 4-H adult leader, and a citizen at large.

Candidate Questions:

Are you involved in any committee related to the Eau Claire County Fair?

If yes, which committee and what is your serving capacity?

Are you a voting member?

If yes, are you willing to step down and only serve on the Eau Claire County Fair Committee?

Explain your volunteer role during the 2022 week of the fair?

Do you have children that are junior members or exhibitors that show at the Eau Claire County fair?

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- a) Tammy Schlewitz- openings qualified for: Citizen at Large, Adult Leader, Business employee
- b) Steven Erdman-openings qualified for: Citizen at Large and business owner
- c) Traci Martinson- openings qualified for: Business owner and Citizen at Large
- d) Letecia Papke-openings qualified for: Business owner and Citizen at Large
- e) Kirsten Myers- openings qualified for: Citizen at Large
- f) Danyelle Steinke-openings qualified for: Citizen at Large, Business owner
- g) Darren Schlewitz-openings qualified for: Citizen at Large and 4-H Adult Leader
- h) Bethany Strauch(youth)-livestock, no expo
- i) Valerie Strauch (youth)-livestock, no expo
- j) Tyson Flottmeier(youth)-livestock, no expo

Missy invites all applicants to attend the Extension Education Meeting on August 24th, 2022, at 4 pm. This meeting will be held at the County Court House.

8. Announcements-

- a) Laptop needed for next meeting for WebEx platform.
- b) End date for the Fair Survey will be 8/31/2022.
- c) After the fair discussion meeting will be September 14, 2022, at 7 pm at the Lincoln Town Hall.
- d) Email/written public comment to be sent to Missy.

9. Future meeting- September 14, 2022, at 7 pm at the Lincoln Town Hall

10. Adjourned at 8:48 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Schlewitz
Fair Committee Member