

SSFC Board Meeting, held August 24, 2021, at the Hubbard County Fairgrounds, Park Rapids

Present were Alethea Kenney, Margo Hanson, Kathy Belt, Carrie Jessen, Trudy Delich, Dennis Engebretson, Russ Smith

Before meeting, Russ showed us the facilities. We all agreed that the Warmbolt Hill Exhibit Hall had good lighting, plenty of room for vendors and for the yurt to be set up inside.

Treasurer's Report was given by Carrie. The ending balance is \$ 3,163.05. There are pending expenses of approximately \$245.00 for the FFF. The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Secretary's Report was read by Margo and approved as read.

**Old Business:**

New Officers – Kathy moved we cast a “white ballot” to accept the same officers – Dennis seconded. The motion carried with the same slate of officers: Alethea- chairperson, Russ Smith – Vice Chairman, Carrie – Treasurer, Margo – secretary, Trudy – membership secretary.

Kathy Belt was welcomed to the SSFC.

**New Business:**

For the FFF, Kathy will ask for items to be donated by vendors. She will handle the raffle.

Fashion show - Kathy has sent press releases and has put up flyers all over Park Rapids.

Set up for the FFF will be Friday afternoon 3:00pm or Saturday 8:00 am. FFF hours are from 9 – 5.

Kathy is calling for a Porta Potty and food truck. Russ will pick up 6 dozen donuts, and Carrie will bring coffee. There will be a donation jar by the coffee pot. There are restaurants available if no truck can be located. Kathy suggested taking an order from Subway or having pizza delivered if a food truck isn't available. Kathy will see if she can find other food vendors who will deliver, instead of pizza.

Sheep Event in February was discussed. Possible topic for the event will be how to better diversify your farm. What are people doing in addition to sheep/fiber?

Russ has a friend who sells lamb processed at the farmer's market. They may be interested in selling meat. They might be able to present at the sheep event on how the USDA process works.

The meeting adjourned 6:05.

Respectfully submitted, Margo Hanson, secretary