

January 15th Board Meeting

Attendance: Crystal Carrier, Briget Vezeau, Jeannette Pomerleau, Miranda Tizzard, Rob Lawson, Dave Tizzard, Iris Dort, Laverne Attfield

Guests: Darlene Benuik, Don Kossey

Meeting commenced at 7:18 pm. Chaired by Briget Vezeau

8 of 12 directors Present--quorum achieved.

Motion: Rob made the motion to approve agenda, 2nd by Dave. Carried

Motion: Rob made the motion to approve December 11th meeting minutes, 2nd by Crystal. Carried.

Housekeeping:

Code of Conduct was signed by all members present.

Volunteer hours need to be recorded. Briget handed out volunteer hours sheet for board members to fill out monthly hours and suggested that a sheet be available for volunteers at all events.

Financials:

Jeannette presented the financial statement. Discussion followed about the importance of budgets being followed for events.

Payment of projector was discussed. Iris made the motion to pay \$412.25 from the youth account for the projector. 2nd by Miranda. Carried

Discussion followed about payment for the dance at the horn show.

Iris made the motion to pay bills and approve financials as presented. 2nd by Rob. Carried.

Correspondence:

Rich Lake Ag Society was approved for C.F.E.P. Small Grant of \$125,000.

We were not approved for the C.F.E.P Large Grant.

A community member sent an article for a grant that we may qualify for. Briget will look into it and send a thank you note to the community member.

R.L.R.A.S received a thank you card from the Women's Rural Conference for our donation to their event.

Lac La Biche County Update:

Darlene Benuik was present. She stated that she is looking forward to working with the new board. She will continue to bring updates and news from Lac La Biche County.

Building Report:

The consulting agreement with Lac La Biche County and Modern Designs has been signed. We should have new design options in a couple of weeks. The County will work with G.A.P and R.L.R.A.S to design a space suitable for both groups. Hoping to present a design to Council at the beginning of March.

Sea cans have been delivered. A community clean up will be set to remove the items from the old facility.

Councillor Darlene Benuik brought up salvaging materials from the old facility.

(Metal roof to be used over the rink, the floor may be salvaged and sold or reused)

Rob will talk to company hired about the salvage agreement.

Grants:

CFEP Small Grant of \$125,000 will be set aside for flooring, rough-in plumbing, rough-in electrical, etc. Lac La Biche County should match the grant of \$125,000 as per previous agreement.

Discussion followed about applying for new grants.

Events:

Possible Valentine's Day Dance for the Youth, depending on rental cost for Craigend Hall. Darlene suggested someone from RLRAS meet with members of the Craigend board to discuss details. Crystal will contact the Craigend board to discuss rental.

Briget spoke to Mary Smyl from Goodridge Ag Society. They declined request to join in cost-sharing for a community youth dance.

Laverne mentioned soccer nets from Lac La Biche County as they had spoken of donating some to RLRAS a few years ago. Rob will ask Darrell, our County rep for any information about them. Discussion followed about basketball nets being set up in the skating rink.

Movie night in the Museum suggested for the youth.

Skating day to be organized at a later date.

Fundraising:

Board members need to sell tickets for the liquor basket raffle. Any donations can be dropped off with Briget.

Events:

Fish Derby set for February 18th (Nicole & Laverne have the details)

Gymkhana--Iris will contact Lakeland Gymkhana Association and ask for information and the possibly organize a date.

Barrel racing--3 dates booked for ABRA barrel racing jackpots--June 2nd, 16th, & 30th.

Discussion about team roping. Will contact Billy Smith and see if he would like to help organize them.

Discussion about utilizing free advertising via Lac La Biche County newsletter and AAA newsletter.

Discussion on planning and organizing binders for events and collecting volunteer hours.

New Business:

AAA conference--3 people will attend the conference.

Crystal made a motion stating the attendees write a report for the next meeting, regarding what was learned at the conference. 2nd by Miranda. Carried.

Discussion followed about what is sent via email, important information only as the Secretary has to keep track of the conversations to put it in the minutes.

A point made about the Facebook account being updated more frequently before events they the Society is hosting.

Round Table: Discussion followed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm.

Next meeting date is February 11th.