

Kiel FFA Alumni and Supporters Meeting April 24, 2023

PRESENT: Scott Schweitzer, Mike Joas, Sam Lensmire, Jodi Kautzer, Ross Bender, Abigail Winkel, David Mueller, Emmy Hastreiter, Ross Westphalen, Nicole Wallander, and Gavin Wallander

ABSENT: Jon Braun and Zach Lensmire

President Scott Schweitzer called the meeting to order at 7:03pm

CONSENT AGENDA: The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were sent out prior to the meeting. The Secretary's report needs to be updated to March 27, 2023. Sam reported that another \$700 was received in sponsorships for the FFA Chapter Banquet, which brings the total amount received in sponsorships to \$3,660 that will be given to the Chapter Banquet expenses. The Advisor's report was given by Emmy Hastreiter. Emmy reported that the State CDE's will be held this week and 4 teams will be competing, including Wildlife, Dairy Foods, Poultry and Agronomy. Friday April 28 is the local Chapter Banquet, which will start with light appetizers at 5pm and ceremony to start at 6pm. Section LDE's results include Parliamentary Procedure receiving 1st and will be competing at state. Life Skills for last month was a visit from the St. Nazianz fire department on fire safety and how to properly use a fire extinguisher. Adopt-a-Highway will be held on May 6 at 8am, 1 adult per 6 kids are needed, which Emmy stated that 2.5 adults are needed from the kids that are signed up. Ross W. and Ross B. volunteered to attend. Emmy reported that May 12 is drive your tractor to school day and a parade is being organized past Zielanis and the Middle School. The PALS activity for Zielanis students was on pollination. Consent agenda approval motion made by Ross B. and seconded by Nicole. Consent agenda approved.

DISCUSSION AGENDA:

GOALS FOR 2023: Goals were included in agenda material. It was decided to move the scholarship program to improved communications, otherwise all goals will be left as listed.

STATEMENT FOR THE ALUMNI TO ADHERE TO: During Alumni and Supporters meetings, the following topics will not be discussed in front of active students: budgets, contracts, and personal review of staff and students. Scott asked if anyone had any questions or if the statement needed more discussion, no questions or discussion from the board.

ALUMNI CONVENTION 2024-February 9th and 10th-OSHKOSH: No update.

SECTION 9 MEETING, UPDATE: Nicole reported that the proceeds from the Section 9 Auction will be used to fund a registration scholarship for Section 9 registrants for the Alumni Convention and FFA chapter requests. Nicole also stated that the State Alumni are also setting up a convention scholarship with preference given to new attendees and attendees under the age of 35. The Fall meeting will be held in Brillion and date to TBD. David also attended the meeting.

FUNDRAISERS FOR 2023: It was decided to merge the brat fry and mum sale together on September 16, 2023. Discussion to continue.

GOLF OUTING: Sponsorship letters are being sent out. It was discussed to make a volunteer sign-up.

FFA CHAPTER BANQUET-APRIL 28th, 2023: Bucket raffles will be held at the banquet, students will run the raffle. It was also discussed that there are 2 applicants for the FFA Alumni and Supporters Scholarship, Ross B, Scott and Emmy will look over applicants and decide on which scholarships they will receive.

CHOCOLATE MILK GIVEAWAYS: Emmy continues to work on this. Looking at starting this at the beginning of next school year.

MEMBERSHIP CONTACT: Scott discussed that each board member would take some of the membership list and try to make contact with members to get current contact and if they want to continue membership. Nicole stated that members need to go to FFA.org to update their membership information.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY, MAY 6: It was discussed with Emmy's advisor's report.

WEB DESIGNER: It was discussed that a new web designer will be needed, discussion to continue

OTHER BUSINESS: None

NEXT MEETING DATE: May 22, 2023 at 7pm at Kiel High School

Motion made by Ross B. and seconded by Emmy to adjourn meeting at 8:41 pm.