

## **Kiel FFA Alumni and Supporters Meeting August 21, 2023**

**PRESENT:** Scott Schweitzer, Sam Lensmire, Jodi Kautzer, Ross Bender, Abigail Winkel, David Mueller, Emmy Newberg and Ross Westphalen.

**ABSENT:** Mike Joas, Jon Braun and Zach Lensmire

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

**CONSENT AGENDA:** The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were sent out prior to the meeting. Sam reported that the checking account current balance is \$11,930.10 and not the amount listed on the treasurer's report. He also stated that the tentative golf outing profit is \$1,265.93. The Advisor's report was given by Emmy Newberg. Emmy reported that the profit from the Kiel picnic so far is \$8,064.30, but she is still waiting for the bill from the Kitchen and also the sale of the leftover food from the picnic. She also stated that goats and horses are being shown under Kiel FFA at the Manitowoc County Fair. An open house for the Kiel FFA is going to be held on November 14 from 4pm-8pm to showcase the FFA chapter and the FFA Alumni and Supporters chapter. Emmy is preparing for the start of the upcoming school year. The FFA Fall Convention is going to be held on September 26 at Random Lake High School. Culver's Fundraising Night with other local FFA chapters will be September 27 and the Kiel chapter will be helping with orders from 7pm-8pm that night. The Officer report will start in September. Consent agenda approval motion made by Abigail and seconded by Sam. Consent agenda approved.

### **DISCUSSION AGENDA:**

**ALUMNI CONVENTION 2024-February 9th and 10th-OSHKOSH:** Abigail stated that venue and date have changed to Feb 2nd and 3rd and will now be held at the KI Convention Center in Green Bay due to hotel renovations at the venue in Oshkosh.

**FUNDRAISERS FOR 2023:** Scott has buns ordered and most of the things needed. Zach and Abigail will work on getting ads in the newspaper 1 week before and the week of the brat fry and mum sale. Ross W stated that the cost for mums this year is \$28 for 3 mums, which comes to \$9.33/mum. It was decided to charge \$20/mum and no discount for purchase of multiple mums. On-Line Auction was tabled at this time. Golf Outing was discussed, which everyone felt for the first outing it went well. Zach and Abigail will look over the notes from the outing and look into changes from next year.

**GOLF OUTING:** Discussion in fundraisers and Treasurer's report.

**FFA ALUMNI AND SUPPORTERS BANQUET, OCTOBER 15, 2023 @12:00pm:** Millhome Supper Club is booked. It was discussed to charge \$20/person. Jodi will contact B Squared regarding ordering cupcakes for the banquet.

**CHOCOLATE MILK GIVEAWAYS:** Emmy is working with Steve Walsh from the high school about purchasing a cooler. They have a meeting set-up with Corrine Schneider from the school kitchen about the cost of the milk, as Julie Mauer does have donors for the program.

**WEB DESIGNER:** Cost estimates were discussed. Jodi will contact one of the vendors to send sample websites to look at. Discussion to continue

**ADVISORY BOARD:** Discussion to continue.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Mitchel Kautzer completed and passed the FVTC Tractor Safety Class, in which Ross W made a motion to reimburse Mitchel for his out of pocket expense for the class in the amount of \$73.85, David seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mike Joas had contacted Emmy about getting reimbursed for the cost of the van that was rented for the National Convention to take the AG Mechanic team due to the fact that the team competed and did not take the bus with the other students. Motion was made at a prior meeting that Mike would be reimbursed at IRS mileage rate, which is \$0.65/mile. Mike did not have the mileage, but the cost of van rental expense was \$1,120.04. Ross B, estimated that the total mileage round trip would be approx 700 miles, which would be approx \$455 for the reimbursement. It was discussed that Mike should talk to the Booster Club also about reimbursement for the difference. Emmy will follow-up with Mike regarding discussion.

Emmy reported that she is working with the high school principal, parents and interested students about starting a Kiel FFA Trap League team.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** September 25, 2023 at 7pm at Kiel High School

Motion made by Jodi and seconded by Ross W. to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm.