

Sale Committee

January 20, 2025

Attendees: Vickie Willcox, Grace Graf, Betsy Petitjean, Luann Mann, Dena Wuebker, Christoph Keller, Jacob Wuebker, Jim Dirksen, Emily Williams, Chuck Willcox, and Mollie Case

Meeting was called to order by Jim. The minutes were handed out. Treasurer report was read. Luann moved to approve the secretary and treasurer report. Chuck seconded the motion. Motion passed.

There were questions about why they moved to end the buyers breakfast. They said if junior fair board wants to do it they would reconsider.

There are 4 buyers who still have not paid. Luann said that she would call them.

Discussion was held on when to have the online portion of the sale open. There were buyers that didn't get done in time. Chuck made a motion to have the sale open Thursday at 8:00 p.m. (night of Celebration of Achievements) to midnight of the following Thursday. Grace seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Discussion was held as to when we are going to stuff envelopes with invoices. September 8th or September 15th? Last year Vickie and Jessica did it because they didn't have the invoices printed before the meeting. It was decided that we could revisit this at the next meeting.

Discussion was held that we need to look for a photographer for the Celebration of Achievements because the photographer that we had last year is not coming back. There were a few names suggested and Luann was going to reach out to see if they were interested.

Discussion was held about still charging the 4% for the sale committee to use to cover cost of software and operating expenses (envelopes, stamps, computer upgrades, accounting fees, etc.). Luann made a motion to keep it at 4% this year. Grace seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Discussion was held about the Celebration of Achievements that we need more benches and what type of flooring to use in front of the announcers' sound/auction block. Do we want carpet or colored shavings? It was decided that this decision can be made at a later meeting.

The committee asked Christoph about what was happening with the sound system since it was hard to hear last year. They only need sound in the cattle arena and not the cattle pavilion.

Dena asked if they would like to have Sam Custer back to be master of ceremony. Everyone agreed that they would like to ask him back.

It was agreed to ask Bill Roll and Brint Yingst to be the auctioneers again this year. We also asked them to bring speakers and microphones for the Celebration of Achievement.

Jacob made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Grace. Motion passed.

Next meeting March 17, 2025, at 7:00p.m. at Community Center