## Valley Agricultural Society Board of Directors Meeting February 3, 2022 @ 7:00 pm Held in the Curling Club

**Present:** Brian Wiebe, Norm Gauthier, Chris Edel, Chris Hamblin, Donna Edel, Crystal Legary, Matt Hoffman, Tim Lewis, Stan Siemens, Andy Krahn, Kaylyn Edel, Cristine Edel

Absent: Mike Bellisle, Ryan Holness

**Call to Order:** Brian Wiebe called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

**Approval of Agenda:** Chris Edel made the motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Norm Gauthier. Carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** Crystal Legary made the motion to approve the minutes from January 6, 2022. Seconded by Chris Edel. Carried.

Correspondence: None

## Old Business:

- 125<sup>th</sup> Celebration: Brian Wiebe will talk to Cheryl Demarcke regarding the Stampede Kick off and what the Chamber has planned. Have more of a community feel- maybe ask fire department to BBQ steaks, street dance, entertainment 50/50 split with the Chamber? History boards should be displayed in the South Orange.
- Morris & District Centennial Museum: Brian Wiebe & Norm Gauthier will still meet together. Cristine Edel mentioned that a quote for insurance from Rempel Insurance is pending. She still hasn't received it.

**President:** We have to start work in the budget. Committee meetings need to start and Brian Wiebe would like to be included.

**Financial**: Budget needs to be circulated and looked at. Need to start work on grants & sponsorship Discussion was had regarding the Grandstand project funding.

**Fundraising**: Kaylyn Edel and Donna Edel are working on getting a mini merchandise sale going on social media. Details to come.

**Grants:** Brian Wiebe asked Cristine Edel to check into the provinces website to see if we can apply for funding.

## **New Business:**

There was a request to move the general store to a better more visible spot on the grounds. Discussed moving it to the gravel/grass area by the north orange building. Possible lights, flags, signs.

## Beer Gardens:

Discussed not having a \$5 cover charge for both Rumble in the Valley and Manitoba Stampede & Exhibition. Discussed not opening the beer gardens for Rumble in the Valley and just open Charlie's Place.

Discussion was had to raise the price of alcohol tokens.

Chris Edel made the motion to increase all liquor sales to \$6.00. Seconded by Andy Krahn. Carried.

Discussion was had about moving Stampede to 3 days instead of 4 days. Norm Gauthier made the motion to drop Thursdays show and go to a Friday - Sunday event. (3 days) Seconded by Chris Edel. Carried.

It was decided to keep concession/vendor prices the same.

Andy Krahn will be the director in charge of sponsorship.

Kaylyn Edel will be taking over the Ag-tivity Ranch and Children's Entertainment, with help from the office, from Andy Krahn.

Matt Hoffman will be in charge of Concessions

The Town of Morris Winter Carnival has been postponed.

Norm Gauthier had spoken to Angel Smoke regarding the Gathering of Nations.

Matt Hoffmann will take the big bill board to the colony to add signs approx. \$2,500.00. Cristine Edel to double check minutes from 2020 re: motion.

Office laptop needs new hardware. Brian Wiebe spoke with Brendon Heppner and the cost is \$150. Norm Gauthier made the motion to allow Brendon Heppner to install the new hardware. Seconded by Donna Edel. Carried.

Board meetings will continue to be the first Thursday of each month.

Crystal Legary made the motion to approve all reports. Seconded by Norm Gauthier. Carried.

**Next meeting:** March 3, 2022. Location to be determined.

**Adjournment:** Chris Edel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 pm. Seconded by Norm Gauthier. Carried