

PYFA Board Meeting Minutes
Hampton Inn Manheim
2764 Lebanon Road Manheim, PA 17545
February 4, 2020

Meeting called to order at 8:15am by PYFA President Lizzie Bailey.

Those in attendance were Lizzie Bailey, Ken Sanner, Jason Rentzel, Ed Zug, Deb Zug, Jen Balmer, Betsy Huber, Steve Kline, Denise Sanner, Becky Nas

Steve Kline led the opening prayer.

Ed Zug moved a motion to approve the December board meeting minutes as printed. Ken Sanner seconded, motion carried. Steve advised that there does not need to be a motion-hearing no additions or corrections, minutes can be approved as printed/read.

Betsy Huber shared her Executive Secretary report. Betsy was on the most recent NYFEA conference call held on January 6. Betsy states there is not much to report. \$6,000 was raised through the live auction at the NYFEA Institute in Lancaster. Institute financials are not yet finalized.

Ed Zug reviewed his Treasurer's report. Ed stated that he received \$2977.00 of Fair Fund money. This amount is down from the previous years amount of \$3387.00 due to not having as many awards being distributed. Ed has paid the PA Council of Farm Organizations membership as well as the Treasurer's Bond. Treasurer's report filed for audit.

Deb Zug shared her Membership report. Deb has sent all 2020 dues packets. Her recent report can be found on page 35 and 37 of the convention booklet.

Jen Balmer reported for Public Relations. Jen stated that there are five spokesperson contestants, 1 application for Young Farmer over 30, 2 applications for Community Service and 1 Agribusiness application.

Steve Kline reported as the Northern VP. Steve distributed Mifflinburg's Program of Work for 2020.

Ken Sanner reported as the Eastern VP. Kutztown has been holding weekly meetings. Their annual Valentines Day banquet is quickly approaching, they also held a CPR course.

Lizzie Bailey reported from South Central. Things have been quieter since Christmas. They are organizing a gathering with Grange, FFA, and some other local groups.

Ed Zug reported that Solanco is holding a sprayer meeting on February 20.

Old Business

Betsy and Lizzie have met with the York Convention and Visitors Bureau to move forward with planning our 2021 PYFA Convention. They have received a proposal from the Wyndham Garden Inn, 2000 Loucks Road York, PA. The CVB is working to locate buses and help provide tour options. They also have a grant program that might help offset some costs for PYFA. Room rates at hotel are \$99/night for a King room or \$109/night for a 2 Queen room. There would need to be a 40 room block booked to honor those rates, as well as a \$500/day meeting room space fee for Tuesday and Wednesday. Off Site meals might affect the meeting room rate. Betsy noted that Gabby Wentworth lives near Red Lion and is willing to help with hosting/planning the convention. Currently they are looking at tours at Harley-Davidson, Martins Potato Chips, Walk-Lee Holsteins, Ag Museum, Farmers Market, Perry Dell, and possibly Groff NA. Ken Sanner moved to accept the hotel contract, Jason Rentzel seconded, motion carried.

Ken Sanner reported from the Name Change Committee. Ken stated that there was a conference call that 10 people participated in. Those on the call were divided on the question of changing the name of the Pennsylvania Young Farmers Association and that more discussion should take place at the delegate meeting. In addition to the conference call, Ken contacted chapters and is compiling the feedback to present at the delegate meeting. The motion will be brought off the table at the delegate session.

Lizzie will be following up with the Department of Ag and Ed to get updates to pursue getting a contact in either of those departments.

Jason and Ken need to audit Ed's treasurers book and Debs membership book.

New Business

2020 Officer Candidates are as follows: President- Ken Sanner, Past President- Lizzie Bailey, President Elect- Becky Nas, Treasurer- Ed Zug, Membership- Deb Zug, Public Relations- Jennie Balmer, Executive Secretary- Betsy Huber, Secretary- Becky Nas, Northern VP- Michelle Dietrich, Eastern VP-, SouthCentral VP- Jason Rentzel, Western VP-.

Future convention sites- 2021- York, PA; 2022 and 2023- Gettysburg, Penns Valley, State College?

NYFEA updates were shared by Denise Sanner and Betsy Huber. Betsy shared her desire to discuss reimbursement of NYFEA registration for the Pennsylvania NYFEA Institute Planning Committee. The board had a discussion to get a tally of the committee members. There were 18 full registrations and 1 one day registration. Denise Sanner stated that there was discussion that in the past, committee chairs were reimbursed for their Institute registration. Betsy noted that the leftover money is in the control of the PYFA board and suggests the decision be made on how it

will be handled. Ken moved a motion to disburse (18) full registrations at \$325 each, and (1) one day registration of \$120 to total \$5970. Steve Kline seconded, motion carried.

Denise shared updates from the recent NYFEA conference call. Pennsylvania should receive \$93 from each Institute registration, totaling \$16,671.72. An additional \$1781.69 should also be paid to PA from the Schaeffer Oil sponsorship. Total due to Pennsylvania is \$18,453.41. Denise also noted the Channel Seed sponsorship. \$400 was put on Dan Wilkinsons credit card. This money should be coming from national to reimburse Dan. A donation should be sent to the state of Indiana to contribute to the 2020 Institute. Denise Sanner has the address of where this should be sent.

Our next PYFA meeting will be on March 15 at 12:30pm. The meeting will be held at Kauffman's BBQ in Bethel, PA. Please RSVP to Ken Sanner.

Please note an Eastern region meeting planned for June 26th that we are all invited to.

Ed Zug moved to adjourn at 9:25am, no further discussion, meeting adjourned.

Minutes prepared by PYFA Secretary Becky Nas.