



## Fair Board Meeting

**Date:** September 15th, 2025

**Facilitated by** Joan Kutchin, President

**Recorded by** Megan Byrne, Asst Secretary

**Present:** Chad Horling, Seth Hulst, Kevin, Mike Wells, Grace Gavin, Maria Dunneback, Curtis Kruithoff, Joan Kutchin, Jon Monroe, Karla Potts, Andy Pike, Fred Karel, Teddy Omlor, Curt Visser, Brenden Visser, Ken Zahm, Lindsay Robach, Kristy Pike

**Absent:** Dylan Visser, Tom Killebrew, Rhiannon Finkler, Kevin Graftema

Topic	Discussion
1. Approval of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motion to approve made by Curtis Kruithoff second Randy VanManen. Motion passed.</li> </ul>
2. Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No correspondence.</li> </ul>
3. Raceway Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Raceway is not present. No report.</li> </ul>
4. Treasurers Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Banks are reconciled through September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025.</li> <li>Fair board meeting attendance checks have been handed out.</li> </ul>
5. Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Executive</b> – We will need to get insurance for the October 4<sup>th</sup> truck pulls – we will start the process on that. We should get our updated quote from Newaygo in the next month or so.</li> <li><b>Facilities</b> – Chad has had conversations with the raceway in passing recently, but no formal meetings. He has had conversations with one of the out fitters that utilize the track regarding possibly black topping some of the dirt track. He will continue to work with the out fitter and the raceway to see if they would like to make the improvements. Looking to have water lines blown out on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025.</li> </ul>

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	<p>Spoke to the raceway regarding some drainage in the pits. We are looking at working together on this process.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Commercial Vendors</b> – No report.</li> <li>• <b>Still Exhibits</b> – No report.</li> <li>• <b>Livestock</b> – Declarations will go out in the next week. Beef weigh in will be held December 13<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• <b>Winter Storage</b> – Reminder to utilize the sign-up genius for volunteers for the weekends.</li> <li>• <b>Parking</b> – No report.</li> <li>• <b>Adv &amp; Promotion</b> – We have flyers ready to go for the Oct 4<sup>th</sup> event. We want people to start spreading these out throughout neighboring communities.</li> <li>• <b>Entertainment</b> – Waiting for further details from Mike to confirm the bartending schedule for the October 4<sup>th</sup> pulls.</li> <li>• <b>Rodeo</b> – Working on scheduling a meeting with the new owners of the Twisted P Rodeo Co. Once we have this scheduled, we will receive our 2026 contract as well and will bring it back to the board.</li> <li>• <b>Grandstand</b> – No report.</li> <li>• <b>Horse</b> – Last rental date is October 9<sup>th</sup>. We will host our annual awards banquet in February.</li> <li>• <b>Camping</b> – No report.</li> <li>• <b>Social Media</b> – Continuing to push the October Truck/Tractor/Semi pulls.</li> </ul>
6. Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oct 4<sup>th</sup> Pulls - We will need additional volunteers – announcers note taker, money runners, gate workers, etc Chad will need some help prepping the ground prior to the event as well.</li> </ul>
7. New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open Beef Show – Planning on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Lindsay Robach and Kristy Pike will be the point of contact for this event.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We were awarded the Hunger Grant. We will be getting some hogs for under \$200, looking to do 2-3 to be able to donate to Coopersville Cares. Looking to get this done in Sept/Oct.</li> <li>• Randy discussed with Hudsonville how they handle property taxes. Some of this was done through rezoning. They said most fairs, if they are not in a county park or property, they do not pay property taxes.</li> </ul>
<b>8. Good of the Order</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seth – Kevin G had a suggestion to look into cementing the sheep barn. Possibly doing this as a sponsorship.</li> <li>• November 1<sup>st</sup> – benefit for Kevin Graftema, Chad has flyers with him if you'd like one. They are looking for some volunteers to assist with this.</li> </ul>

Next Meeting is Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7:00pm.

Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7:00pm.