

Oneida County Fairboard Meeting

January 2, 2025

Those attending:

Chairman, Ken Moss

Hugo Ramos

Todd Thomas

Eric Eliason

John Hardy

Shanae Blaisdell

Lacey Clark

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ken Moss.

The following business was discussed:

1. Todd Thomas moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Lacey Clark seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
2. The elementary school is allowing groups to come to the old elementary from January 6th to 11th to take whatever items might be helpful to their group. The Extension Office staff will be going there and will look for items for the fair.
3. Sawyer Fannesbeck was in attendance from the Extension Office. He would like to propose purchasing more bleachers. He will find costs for next meeting. John Hardy suggested reserving the east bleachers for strictly bidders at the auction.
4. Handicap Parking was discussed. Eric Eliason suggested marking parking by the wash rack for this. John Hardy seconded. All agreed.
5. The Fair schedule was discussed. The Extension Office suggested have some exhibits set up and judged in advance of the fair. They would like to move the horse show to Monday. All animal weigh-ins would be Monday.
6. The Extension Office would like to split the costs of the mailbox flyer again this year. The total cost would be \$2500. Kelly Sorenson will design and it will be presented at the February meeting.
7. The current budget was reviewed.
8. If the group plans to move forward with the steer barn extension, it will need to be bid out; therefore, bids will need to be put in the newspaper. Lacey Clark moved to move forward with construction of the steer barn addition. John Hardy seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The bid will need to ask for labor and then labor with materials.
9. The Lazer Tag/Mini Golf people have contacted Shanae Blaisdell and would like to come back for our fair. The cost would be the same. All agreed that we should bring them back.
10. Fair schedule was discussed. Todd Thomas will check with the Indian Relay Race people about coming during the races. Lacey Clark would like to see the potato race come back. All other events are scheduled, with the exception of Tuesday night. Ideas for that night will be discussed at the February meeting.

11. The group have projects that need to be completed. Gates for the arena will need to be purchased and hung before High School rodeo. The storage space needs to have the shelving hung and everything organized. The catwalk and bleachers need repaired. Todd Thomas suggested purchasing a second sound system that would be used only for the races. Sawyer Fannesbeck suggested purchasing new microphones.
12. The group would like the stock contractor bid ad to run for 2 more weeks.
13. EMS fees to pay for the races were discussed and tabled for now.
14. Lacey Clark gave an update on the Indoor Arena Committee.
15. Todd Thomas suggested finding another cause for the races this year. Last year was cancer awareness with the race for Misty Barthlome.
16. Lacey Clark moved to adjourn. John Hardy seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting will be February 6, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.