

**KENT COUNTY YOUTH FAIR BOARD MEETING  
2006 ANNUAL MEETING**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Sr. & Jr. Directors Present:**

Bruce Doll, Kay Grinage, Dawn Haase, Kevin Haase, Jason Hofman, Gary Jonker, Rory Kidder, Jessica Marks, Nicki Patterson, Steve Vickers, Dave VanderBoon, Lindsay Bielema, Jim Crosby, Cara Haines, Morgan Olin, Trisha Wallington,

**Sr. & Jr. Directors Excused**

E.L. Phelps, Dave Bielema, Dennis Brown, Tom Pfaller

**Areas Represented:**

Beef, Cavy/Rabbit, Dairy, Dog, Goat, Horse, Swine, Poultry

**Areas Not Represented:**

Sheep

**Others Present:**

Diane Brown, Nancy Kidder, Sharon Jonker, Jim Steketee, Ron Wenger, Jeff Haase, Bill Bowers, Cathy Clover, Rob Vonk, Monica Burt, Mary Crosby, Sarah Crosby, Pat Mager, Dean Olin, David Pachulski, Terri Gordon, Ray Hawkins, Tom Grinage, Luci Shaffer, Terri Shaffer, Bob Wallington, Dave Simmonds, Maruszka Hufstader, Leon Timmers

**Call to Order**

The 2006 Annual meeting was called to order by President Jason Hofman at 7:30 PM in the King Memorial Youth Center.

**Roll Call**

16 Board Members Present, 4 Board Members excused.

**2006-II-1** It was moved by Kay Grinage and seconded by Morgan Olin to accept the minutes of the 2005 Meeting as presented. Motion carried.

**Vote on By-Law Changes approved by the board at the September 2006 meeting:**

Directors and Officers, #1, 1B, 2, and 9

1.) The board of directors shall consist of 15 Sr. Directors and 6 Jr. Members. Five adult members are to be elected each year for three year terms. Three Junior Directors are elected each year for a two year term.

New: The Board of Directors shall consist of 12 Sr. Directors and 4 Jr. Directors. Four Senior Directors are to be elected each year for 3 year terms. Two Junior Directors elected each year for two year terms. (See Addendum "C" )

Addition of Addendum C reads:

Reduction in the number of Fair Board Directors will be done by reducing the number of open Director seats each year. Four Senior Directors ( 3 year term) and 2 Junior Director (2 year term) to be elected each year.

30 voted in favor, 3 voted against, change passes.

1B.) A Junior Direct shall be of exhibitor age when elected to a term, they may fulfill their term if they become ineligible to exhibit during that time.

New: 1B.) A Junior Director shall be between 16 AND 20 years of age (consistent with exhibiting rules) when elected to a term, they may fulfill their term if they become ineligible to exhibit during that time.

35 voted in favor, 0 voted against, change passes.

2.) The Board of Directors shall elect from their membership a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. (Nomination/election Procedures – See Addendum A.)

New 2.) The Board of Directors shall elect from their membership a President, Vice President, [Recording Secretary](#), [Financial Secretary](#), and Treasurer. (Nomination/election Procedures – See Addendum A.)

37 voted in favor, 0 voted against, change passes.

9.) The President and Treasurer shall serve as a committee to authorize any and all expenditures not to exceed \$500.00 during operation of these Youth Programs.

New: 9.) The President, Treasurer, [and/or Financial Secretary](#) shall serve as a committee to authorize any and all expenditures not to exceed \$500.00 during operation of these Youth Programs. [This is only to be used when purchases need to be made to assist in the operations and maintenance of the fair or its grounds prior to the next regular board meeting.](#)

39 voted in favor, 0 against, change passes.

#### Membership Section, #1

1.) The Annual membership meeting will be held preceding the regular monthly meeting (second Wednesday of the month) in November of each calendar year. At this meeting, the positions of the Directors (whose terms expire) shall be filled. The Secretary and Treasurer shall give their reports, and such other business as may come before the association shall be transacted. Directors having their term expire and newly elected officers will have their duties terminate or become effective at the next regular Board Meeting.

New: 1.) The Annual membership meeting will be held [the third Wednesday of November](#) of each calendar year. At this meeting, the positions of the Directors (whose terms expire) shall be filled. The Secretary and Treasurer shall give their reports, and such other business as may come before the association shall be transacted. Directors having their term expire and newly elected officers will have their duties terminate or become effective at the next regular Board Meeting.

22 voted in favor, 10 voted against, change passes.

The following was an addition to #1 and will be marked as letter A under #1 in membership.

Add: [A.\) Board seats vacated mid term shall be filled at a regular meeting. These positions will be filled by appointment by the Board of Directors to finish the un-expired term. Filling these positions will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors. If the Board of Directors decides Not to fill a position it may be left vacant until the next annual meeting.](#)

34 voted in favor, 1 voted against, addition passes.

#### Addendum A, Nomination/Election Board/Officers:

[Addition of Financial Secretary to list of officers.](#)

37 voted in favor, 0 voted against, change passes.

#### Fairboard Officers and Their Roles:

Under Treasurer:

Addition of: [FOR ACCOUNTING PURPOSES THE FISCAL YEAR WILL BEGIN NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> AND END OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup>.](#)

38 voted in favor, 0 voted against, change passes.

#### Fairboard Officers and Their Roles:

Addition of description for Financial Secretary:

[Assists the Treasurer in carrying out all Financial duties/responsibilities of the Fairboard and assumes the duties of the Treasurer in his/her absence. Also assists with all Business/Financial correspondence.](#)

38 voted in favor, 0 voted against, change passes

Executive Committee of the Fairboard:

Addition of who is to sign checks and receive bank statements:

All checks issued must be signed by TWO of the following that are authorized to sign checks:

The President, The Treasurer, The Financial Secretary, The Fair Manager

All bank statements will be sent to all of the following Officers:

The President, The Treasurer, The Financial Secretary

37 voted in favor, 0 voted against, change passes.

Change of Grounds Manager to Fair Manager and description:

#### **FAIR MANAGER**

The FAIR Manager is a paid position and is responsible for maintaining the Fairgrounds; its buildings, and equipment. He/She oversees the rental of buildings and grounds during the off-season. He/She is responsible for hiring and supervising employees during the employment period for the weeks before, during, and after the Fair and during other off-season events as necessary. The FAIR Manager is accountable to the Executive Committee of the Fair Board and works with the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

36 voted in favor, 0 voted against, change passes.

#### **Election of Board Members**

Terms expiring in 2006 are: Sr: Bruce Doll, Rory Kidder, Kay Grinage, Nicki Patterson, Dave VanderBoon. Rory Kidder and Dave VanderBoon will not be seeking re-election. Jr: Jim Crosby, Cara Haines, Patricia Wallington. Cara Haines will not be seeking re-election.

Kevin Haase conducted the elections.

Senior Director Nominations:

Kay Grinage

Patricia Wallington

Bruce Doll

Nicki Patterson

Dean Olin

Jeff Haase

Junior Director Nominees:

Jim Crosby

Luci Shaffer

2006-11-2 After additional nominations were solicited from those present at the meeting 3 times, it was moved by Ron Wenger and seconded by Lindsay Bielema to close nominations. Motion carried.

Each of the nominees were given an opportunity to introduce themselves and give a short reason for their interest in running for the board.

Ballots were distributed and secret ballots were cast. A panel of 3, were selected to count the votes.

Results are:

Senior Directors:

Kay Grinage

Bruce Doll

Nicki Patterson

Dean Olin

Junior Directors:

Jim Crosby

Luci Shaffer

Welcome to all those returning and new Board members. New member orientation will be announced at a later date.

2006-11-3 Moved by Morgan Olin and seconded by Jessica Marks to destroy the ballots. Motion carried.

**Other Business:**

Fair Manager Ron Wenger gave his comments regarding the 2006 Fair which were:

Thanked the By-Law Committee for all of their hard work.

Had a Great Fair. Figure about 50,000 plus came to the fair.

Lots of improvements were made around the grounds.

We won Rodeo of the Year for the Mid-States Rodeo Association.

The Farmers Market was a success and will be back in 2007.

Pat and Ted Mager won Volunteer of the Year at the annual 4-H Leaders Banquet.

**Matching Monies Resolution:**

Jessica Marks presented the matching monies resolution:

Capital Improvements	\$5000.00
Equipment, Rental	\$10,000.00
Grounds Improvements	\$10,000.00
Maintenance and Repair	<u>\$15,000.00</u>
	\$40,000.00

2006-11-4 Moved by Kay Grinage and seconded by Nicki Patterson to accept the matching monies resolution for the 2007 Fair year. Motion carried.

206-11-5 Moved by Jessica Marks and seconded by Morgan Olin to table the approval of the 2007 Budget until the December Fair Board Meeting. Motion carried.

We have a vacant position on the board that needs to be filled. There are still two years left on the term.

2006-11-6 Moved by Jessica Marks and seconded by Jim Crosby to table discussion on the vacant position until the December Fair Board Meeting. Motion Carried

2006-11-7 Moved by Rory Kidder and seconded by Morgan Olin to adjourn the Annual Meeting of the Kent County Youth Fair Board. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted

Nicki Patterson, Secretary

**NEXT ANNUAL MEETING:**

**Wednesday, November 21, 2007  
THIRD WEDNESDAY IN NOVEMBER  
King Memorial Youth Center**