



MINUTES

April 2021 Board Meeting
Delaware County, OH

I	Call to Order by President David Drake.	Thursday, April 13, 2021 at 11 a.m.
	Pledge of Allegiance <i>Doug Guinsler.</i>	
II	Present: <i>David Drake, Randy Kissel, Russell Clements, Bill Sterling, Mike Tedrick, Drew Kissel, Jasmine Otterbacher, Brian Linville, Karen Chicketti, Lori Freiling, Jennifer Ramsey, Jeromie Garn, Doug Guinsler, Eric German, & Brandy Daniels.</i> Absent: <i>Tim Lisko.</i> Guests: <i>Matt Freiling.</i>	
	Motion to approve minutes of February 2021 meeting by Drew Kissel.	Second: <i>Jeromie Garn.</i> Motion Passes.
III	Correspondence: <i>The secretary shared a thank you letter from scholarship recipient Chase Albanese, and a thank you for support in the 2021 season from the Ohio Fair Manager's Association.</i>	
IV	Motion to approve current financial reports of February & March by Lori Freiling.	Second: <i>Jasmine Otterbacher.</i> Motion Passes.
V	New Members	
	Motion to approve new members LeAnna Wasmund, Dann Whittaker, & Ohio Harness Horsemen's Assoc. by Doug Guinsler.	Second: <i>Mike Tedrick.</i> Motion Passes.
VI	Legislative Report: <i>The GOSA is watching legislation that is pending to assist on vehicle registrations that were expired during the pandemic. Legislative report: https://mygosa.net/legislative-issues/.</i>	
VII	Ohio Department of Agriculture: <i>David Drake gave an update on the status of the department at this time.</i>	
VIII	Ohio Fair Manager's Association: <i>Doug Guinsler reiterated appreciation for GOSA support of fairs.</i>	
VIII	Committee Reports	
	A Budget & Audit – <i>Mike Tedrick reported that the investments through March are worth over \$60,000.</i>	
	B Convention – <i>Randy Kissel reported that next year's dates are January 6-9, 2022; start thinking about presentation topics. Eric German would like to offer crisis management. Mike Tedrick will do person in charge and recommends a "pandemic in review" presentation. Bill Sterling recommends having Phil Teague speak on a topic on Saturday. GOSA would like to have sessions scheduled at different times so our members can attend.</i>	
	C Events & Outings – <i>Jasmine Otterbacher requested follow up on dates for jamborees in 2021. She would also like to move the bowling outing to the day following the Hit the Road party in the future. Eric German recommended looking at a new location for the safety conference combining with this weekend. Doug Guinsler recommends at least having the regular March meeting Saturday afternoon, then party and bowling.</i>	
	D Fall Round Up – <i>This will be at the Elks Lodge in October 2021 the Monday before Circleville Pumpkin Show.</i>	
	E Flowers & News – <i>Doug Guinsler shared that there were no reported life events news in since the last meeting.</i>	
	F Games – <i>Bill Sterling will provide a full update on games before the season at the May 2021 meeting.</i>	
	G Health & Sanitation – <i>Mike Tedrick continues to provide ServSafe classes throughout the state of Ohio.</i>	
	H Membership – <i>Lori Freiling and Karen Chicketti met with Eric and created a membership recruitment and retention five-year plan. The committee will bring a talking points card back to the May meeting. Send suggestions for talking points to Eric ASAP, as well as recommendations for area membership ambassadors.</i>	
	I Nominating & Awards – <i>Russell Clements asked everyone to keep an eye open for new nominees this year.</i>	
	J Past Presidents – <i>Doug Guinsler shared that the past presidents stand ready to offer advice and wisdom.</i>	
	K Policies & Procedures -- <i>Mike Tedrick request all committees review, update, and send their documents.</i>	
	L Publications – <i>The newsletter deadline, as always is 5 p.m. the Friday after the board meeting.</i>	
	Motion to purchase a \$100 gift card for Katie Linville to acknowledge her assistance with the newsletter by Drew Kissel.	Second: <i>Lori Freiling</i> Motion Passes.

M	Ride Safety – Randy Kissel reminded everyone to get their itineraries in so inspections can be scheduled.
N	Scholarship – The scholarship committee will take applications and updates from current recipients all year.
O	Sponsorship – Eric German is working on this as part of his efforts in marketing to members and vendors.
P	Tickets – Jasmine Otterbacher reported that the GOSA will purchase new tickets for 2021 the gala super raffle. The 2020 Fall Round Up tickets will be reused in 2021 to save on that fundraising effort.
Q	Trade Shows – Drew Kissel would like to purchase a door prize for approximately \$250 and provide sponsorship to the OFEA convention. They would like new membership video for the television at the booth.
IX	Old Business
A	Board Meetings – The next board meeting is May 4, 2021 in Delaware at 11 a.m. THIS ITEM IS CLOSED.
B	Cleveland Indians Baseball Outing – Randy Kissel reported that the outing will be June 15, 2021, 7:10 p.m.
C	New Lobbyist Contract – At the February meeting the board approved a new contract through December 2022 and one-time bonus. Negotiations on new contract will begin fall of 2022. THIS ITEM IS CLOSED.
D	Update to Bylaws – Jennifer Ramsey agrees with live streaming annual meetings for membership but not monthly board meetings. Members would need to send proxies for voting but cannot vote if not in person. This item will be tabled to the November meeting to give the individuals time to research and give a presentation.
E	2021 Committee Assignments – The 2021 committees list has been finalized. THIS ITEM IS CLOSED.
F	Auction of Personalized Bottles – Randy Kissel reported that the sponsored bottles were ready. Raffle tickets will be sold starting in May. The drawing would be at the OFMA Convention in 2022.
G	Spring Dinners – Over \$4,000 was raised for the PAC at the spring meetings. THIS ITEM IS CLOSED.
X	New Business
A	<p>Membership Dues – David Drake believes that it is necessary to raise dues back to \$100 per year to sustain the organization and maintain and improve the quality for membership. He and the secretary created a five-year cash flow forecast showing that raising dues makes a tremendous difference in the long run financial health of the organization while we continue to work on membership initiatives and find other ways to raise funds in the future.</p> <p>Motion to raise membership dues to \$100 beginning with the 2022 membership year by Karen Chicketti. This constitution change must be presented to the membership in a special meeting. This meeting will be determined, and membership notified to attend and vote according to the GOSA bylaws and constitution.</p>
	<p>Second: Drew Kissel.</p> <p>Motion Passes.</p>
B	<p>New GOSA Tablecloth/Banner – Jennifer Ramsey presented the board a couple of options for replacing the current gold and blue GOSA banner that is used at convention and other meetings of the organization.</p> <p>Motion to approve purchase of 10-foot tablecloth banner combination with new GOSA logo by Doug Guinsler.</p>
	<p>Second: Karen Chicketti</p> <p>Motion Passes.</p>
C	Donation to OABA
	<p>Motion to donate \$1000 to OABA for support of H2-B visa efforts by Randy Kissel.</p>
	<p>Second: Doug Guinsler</p> <p>Motion Passes.</p>
XI	<p>Motion to adjourn at 2:20 p.m. by Jeromie Garn.</p> <p>Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 11 a.m.</p> <p>Clydesdale Stonehaus 5200 US-42, Delaware, OH</p>
	<p>Second: Jennifer Ramsey.</p> <p>Motion Passes.</p>