Darke County Jr. Fair Dog Committee

September 26th, 2023 7:30pm

Attendance: Kathleen Ditmer, Asa DeMange, Sheyla Clark, Ellie Earwood, Micky Earwood, Sue Westfall

Secretary Report: No report

Treasurer Report: Checking account \$1,866.82. Edward Jones account \$32,637.00. March report was incorrect, no change should be in Edward Jones account. Motion to correct minutes made by Ellie, 2nd Sue.

Budget- went over estimated spending vs. actual spending

Senior Fairboard Report: No report

Jr. Fair Report: No report

OSU Extension Report: No report

Old Business:

Committees:

Fundraising: chicken/pork dinner continue next year? Discussed moving to the spring. Motion to continue made by Sue, 2nd Ellie. Motion passed. Will look into a date and decide later

Pavers: Has final order ready to ship, will ship when building has started to be built

Fun Match: Went well, would like to continue to have at Gem City Dog Club with other counties/Kristina Morgan. Motion to continue Fun Match at Gem City Dog Club made by Sue, 2nd Ellie, motion passed. Tentative date 6/22/2024, will double check dates with Kristina Morgan.

Skillathon: Went well, would like to keep Skillathon with other groups. Motion made by Asa, 2nd Sheyla. Motion passed

Judges: No concerns/complaints

Royalty: Discussed removing Skillathon/scrapbook requirement for royalty. Discussed replacing with 3-5 minute interview about their dog before handling. Jr. Fair will work on list of questions. Motion Ellie, 2nd Sheyla. Motion passed

New Business:

2023 Fair: Issues with aggression and dogs that were dismissed. If they are permitted to come back is a Sr. Fairboard decision.

2024 Rule Concerns/changes: Questions were asked about a few kids missing on Saturday, they were missing due to religious reasons, so no rule adjustments needed.

Update book with correct date for Skillathon.

Tear down will be happening on Sunday, skids will be present next year.

Rule change on prior organized trainings (pg 249) Needs to read 'obedience classes', as puppy class will not count as prior training. Change rule to read 'must go into B obedience class if dog has attended 5 organized obedience classes before April 1 of the current year' Motion made by Ellie, 2nd Sue. Motion passed

Ownership requierments need to be updated to reflect state fair rules. Dog must be owned by a family member and in direct care of the 4-H'er starting 4/1 of current year. Okay to be owned by grandparent/aunt/uncle/ect.

Crate Storage- fairboard would like the crates off the skid and on metal plates- will get price and report back at the next meeting. Will also look into new ring gate boxes for easier storage.

Fundraising- discussed Facebook raffle for giftbaskets in the comments- motion to accept made by Ellie, 2nd Asa

Motion to adjourn made by Sue, 2nd by Sheyla. Motion passed

Next meeting November 15th at 7pm- Extension Office