

BLACKFALDS AG SOCIETY
Minutes of October 20, 2015 AGM Meeting
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Attendance:

Sherrri Klam	Shera-Lee Karras	Kylie Sjare	Marney Kreutz
Eden Kreutz	Ray Olfert	Wayne Tutty	Paula Fairbrother
Larry Ellis	Victor Schweiger	Kevin Baughman	Carmen Petch
Trish Willis	Mat Reijnders		

14 Attendees in total

1. Call to order at 7:07 pm.

2. Elections

This item is moved to item 4.
 Agenda items 4 etc. will be renumbered starting with 5.

3. Introduction of Guest(s) & New Members:

The following four new members were introduced:
 Marney and Eden Kreutz; Ray Olfert and Paula Fairbrother.
 All attendees paid the yearly membership fee of \$1.00.

4. Election of Officers

4.1. Election of President

1st Call: Wayne nominates Sherrri Klam. Sherrri accepts the nomination.
 Kylie makes a motion to cease nominations.
 Sherrri Klam will be the acclaimed President for the 2015-2016 Year.

CARRIED

4.2. Election of Vice-President

1st Call: Trish nominates Wayne Tutti. Wayne accepts the nomination.
 Larry makes a motion to cease nominations.
 Wayne Tutti will be Vice-President for the 2015-2016 Year.

CARRIED

4.3. Election of Treasurer

1st Call: Mat nominates Shera-Lee Karras. Shera-Lee accepts the nomination.
 Victor makes a motion to cease nominations.
 Shera-Lee Karras will be Treasurer for the 2015-2016 Year.

CARRIED

4.4. Election of Secretary

1st Call: Kylie nominates Mat Reijnders. Mat accepts the nomination.
 Kevin makes a motion to cease nominations.
 Mat Reijnders will be Secretary for the 2015-2016 Year.

CARRIED

4.5. Election of Casino Coordinator

1st Call: Sherrri nominates Trish Willis. Trish accepts the nomination.
 Wayne makes a motion to cease nominations.
 Trish Willis will be Casino Coordinator for the 2015-2016 Year.

CARRIED

4.6. Directors

Three Year Directors

An election for one new Three Year Director is required to replace Maria Pais-Martins.
 Sherrri nominates Kylie Sjare. Kylie accepts the nomination.
 Larry makes a motion to cease nominations.

CARRIED

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Directors for 2015-2016 Year:

Victor nominates Larry Ellis. Larry accepts the nomination.
Kevin nominates Carmen Petch. Carmen accepts the nomination.
Trish makes a motion to cease nominations.

CARRIED

4.7. Signing Authorities

The following accounts will require the signature of 2 of 4 of the executive of the Blackfalds District Agricultural Society:

- | | | |
|--------------------------|---|--------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Blackfalds District Agricultural Society
Branch 31629-899 Member 1265880 | 600108328239 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Jim Hurley Memorial Trust
Branch 31629-899 Member 1265436 | 600107509581 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Blackfalds Agricultural Society Raffle
Branch 31629-899 Member 1265304 | 600300002774 |

The following account will require the signature of the Casino Coordinator and 1 of 4 of the executive of Blackfalds & District Ag Society:

- | | | |
|--------------------------|--|--------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Blackfalds District Agricultural Society Casino
Branch 31629-899 Member 1265342 | 600110016964 |
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The following account will require 2 of the following signatures: President, Vice-President, and Secretary:

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Blackfalds Farmers' Market
Branch 3169-899 Member 1265351 | 600100021089 |
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Since there are a few changes to the executive the signing authorities will have to be adjusted. Wayne makes a motion to approve the required changes regarding the signing authorities.

CARRIED

5. Approval of last Meeting Minutes – June 16, 2015

The September meeting did not have quorum therefore no minutes were recorded. The Minutes were circulated via email to the membership and hand-outs were made available at the start of the meeting. Trish makes a motion to accept the minutes as circulated.

CARRIED

6. Delegations

Not applicable.

7. Addresses and reports of Officers

7.1. Financials

The financial report was read by Sherri.
Larry makes a motion to approve the financial report.

CARRIED

8. Reports of Committees

8.1. Casino

The casino weekend went really well. Kylie signed the contract with Kathleen (Casino Coordinator) for the next casino weekend which will be held sometime in 2018.

8.2 Farmer's Market - Update on season & Christmas Market

The market ended a week earlier than anticipated. The whole season was fairly slow. There was a meeting at the end of the season to evaluate the season with vendors and Paula, Sherri and Larry representing the Ag Society. The vendors would like to see more Ag Society involvement and more advertisements to draw more customers. The farmer's market is visited by lots of Ag Society members but as customers.

The vendors also would like to see more involvement from the Town but, as Trish explained, the Town has absolutely no role in the Farmer's Market. This event is completely sponsored by the

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Ag Society. The society is responsible for the rental of the hall and signs. The Ag Society puts out ads to advertise the market in the Town of Blackfalds fall and spring guides and several other newspapers. In the past we used radio commercials but this was costly and success was limited. The ads should indicate where the markets are being held. Apparently some customers had some difficulties trying to find the location. The vendors are responsible for their own advertisements. Also it was agreed to make no change to the Farmer's Market hours which are from 4 pm to 7:30 pm. The last market is to be held in September.

Sherri asked the membership to think about the future of the Farmer's Market, vendor responsibilities and Ag Society involvement. This item will be revisited at future meetings.

Also we will try to limit the amount of email votes because of the slow response by the membership. There were some issues this last season getting quick responses regarding some Farmer's Market matters.

The Christmas market is being held on December 11 from 4 pm to 7:30 pm. So far 25 vendors have committed to this market. Santa will make an appearance and a kid's tattoo artist will be present as well.

8.3 Blindman Light Horse 4H

The new representatives for the Blindman Light Horse 4H are Marney and Eden Kreutz.

Eden presented the latest update:

The September meeting included the election of officers and changes to the signing authorities. Also proposed budgets, grants, district activities and the calendar for the upcoming season were discussed. New this year is a program called Explore 4H to increase the membership and introduce new workshops such as small engine repair, wood working etc. These workshops will be taught by parents of the membership.

As a fundraiser a movie will be shown at the Ag-building in Lacombe on November 6.

The movie is called Hope. The entry fee is \$5 and there will be a silent auction and a concession with floats.

Also a Community Service Committee has been established with several events scheduled to help the community such as gift wrapping, snow shovelling etc.

9. Unfinished Business/

9.1. Town of Blackfalds

The Ag Society has not yet spend the casino funds earned from last time's casino weekend fund raiser. These funds can only be used towards items related to the Arena. The Town of Blackfalds has identified three items we can sponsor with these funds. They are listed below:

- a new sound system (\$10,000);
- ice scooters to assist in learning how to skate (\$2,000);
- a new overhead door for the Zamboni room (7,295).

Kylie makes a motion to approve the items as proposed by the Town of Blackfalds and pay for these items using the Casino funds.

CARRIED

All invoices will have to be send to the Ag Society directly. Trish will inform the Town of Blackfalds that the Ag Society will purchase these items.

10. New Business

10.1. Town of Blackfalds - Food Bank bin at Abbey Centre

The Food Bank bin has relocated and can be found at the Abbey Centre.

10.2. Brochures - Riley's

Sherri has completed the brochures and sent them to Riley's (Red Deer) to be printed. A new account at Riley's has been set up for this purpose.

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10.3. Blackfalds Minor Hockey

The Ag Society received a request from Blackfalds Minor Hockey looking for support to purchase rink dividers and nets for the upcoming 2015-2016 season. They are looking for sponsors to fund the total cost of 10,000 or a portion thereof.

Trish makes a motion to not support their request.

CARRIED

10.4. Town of Blackfalds - Amphitheatre

The Ag Society received an invoice for \$7,000 regarding the naming rights of the Amphitheatre located at the Abbey Centre.

10.5. Jim Hurley Free Skate

The Ag Society received a bill for \$3,071.38 for the Jim Hurley Free Skate until March 20, 2016. Wayne makes a motion to transfer \$3,000 from the General Account to the Jim Hurley Memorial Trust Account and to pay the invoice.

CARRIED

10.6. Town of Blackfalds Program Guide

The Ag Society received an invoice for \$136.50 regarding the cost for an ad in the Town of Blackfalds fall/winter guide.

Larry makes a motion to approve and pay this invoice.

CARRIED

11. Correspondence

The following correspondence was received by the Ag Society:

11.1. Thank You card from Blackfalds Figure Skating Club.

11.2. Thank You letters from kids attending ACCA camp, also Thank You card from ACCA for sponsoring their event.

11.3. Information regarding Regional Meeting dates.

11.4. AgAdvance Magazine.

11.5. Thank You card from the Town of Blackfalds regarding Blackfalds Days.

12. Payables

Payables include the following:

- Sherri Klam	Supper/supplies	\$ 225.14
- Shera-Lee Karras	Honorarium and expenses	\$2,605.07
- Ray Olfert	Honorarium	\$ 900.00
- Paula Fairbrother	Honorarium and expenses	\$1,114.33
- Trish Willis	Postage	\$ 13.55

Carmen makes a motion to pay all payables as listed above.

CARRIED

13. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Carmen at 8:03 pm.

CARRIED

14. Next meeting

Next meeting will be on November 17, 2015 at 7:00 pm in Ag Room.

END OF MEETING