February 6, 2024

The New London County 4-H Fair Board meeting came to order on February 6th, 2024, at 7:03 p.m. The pledges were stated. Introductions were done. The secretary’s report was amended to say that the treasurer’s report was “placed on file” rather than “accepted.” Lucy made a motion to accept the secretary’s report as amended, Padraig seconded, and the motion passed. There is a total of $14,948.20 in the treasury. Alissa made a motion to place the treasurer’s report on file, Natalie seconded, and the motion passed. There was no business report.

Old Business

* Presentation by a representative of the New London Farm Bureau regarding grants for agricultural purposes
* Reflection on officer and superintendent training day
* Review and final vote on budget
  + Discussion of Fair T-shirts
    - Natalie made a motion to allocate $1,000 for Fair T-shirts, Padraig seconded, and the motion passed.
    - Jeremiah made a motion to add T-shirt sales to the income budget at $560, Natalie seconded, and the motion passed.
  + Olivia moved to accept the 2024 budget as amended, Ivan seconded, and the motion passed.

New Business

* Discussion of Ad Campaign
  + Abby made a motion to put all sponsorships and ads over $100 on the back of Fair T-shirts, Padraig seconded, and the motion passed.
  + Discussion of digital payment options for Ad Campaign
    - Natalie made a motion to add Square as a digital payment option, which will be handled by the 4-H office, Jeremiah seconded, and the motion passed.
  + Padraig a motion to approve the Ad Campaign as amended, Olivia seconded, and the motion passed.
* Discussion of Fair Schedule
* Discussion of potential 4-H Spirit Award
* The Scarecrow Contest theme for this year was announced; the theme is superheroes

Other Business

* New London County 4-H Public Speaking Contest – Friday, February 23, 2024
* UConn 4-H Dairy & Beef Day – Saturday, March 9, 2024
* UConn 4-H Expressive Arts Day – Saturday, March 23, 2024
* UConn 4-H Goat Day – Saturday, April 6, 2024
* UConn 4-H Citizenship Day – Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Olivia made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m., Lilly seconded, and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Heydon.