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Maryland Agricultural Fair Board Minutes February 17, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Diane Geary, Chairperson at 6:00 PM via zoom meeting.

Attendance

Board- Linda Brown, David Cavey, Diane Geary, Daniel Mast, James Moxley III, Connie Palmer, Hal Spielman, Rebecca Stem, Denise Streeter

Staff- Jessica O'Sullivan

Minutes of January, 2021

Motion to accept David Cavey and seconded by Daniel Mast to approve.
Motion Passed.

Reports by the Executive Secretary

The Secretary gave an update on the fairs that have turned in after activity reports and have been paid. Also we discussed the 2021 shows and fair brochure along with the process being performed to make the brochure and the decision to make the brochure virtual and not print copies due to the uncertainty of fairs and shows occurring. The information for the fairs and shows was sent to our designer from last year and a draft is being made. The fiscal department was contacted to ensure that all funds not used during FY21 will remain in the Fair Board account. It was also verified that there was a carryover of \$57,931.61. Next year's budget was also discussed and it is believed that we will receive around the same if not less than this year which was 1.2 million.

Updates

Each member discussed their regional meetings that occurred over the last month, what funds fairs requested and what has changed at each fair. The board also discussed what fairs are doing to prepare for the current COVID situation and if their fair and show will actually occur. Most fairs and shows are waiting for more guidelines and to see if restrictions are lifted before making their ultimate decision.

Upcoming Board Meetings

The next meeting will be April 14, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. via zoom where we will decide what funds will be given to each fair and show.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Rebecca Stem and seconded by Hal Spielman. Chairperson, Diane Geary adjourned the meeting at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Jessica O'Sullivan Executive Secretary



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