

DARRTOWN REUNION COMMITTEE
June 30, 2015 – 10:00 AM – E-Dot Park

In attendance:

- Committee members: Don Beckett, Tasha Cain, Betty Daniels, Jack Daniels, Paul Gillespie, Fred Lindley, and Joe Pater
- Guests: Bill Clark, George Leugers, and John Newman

Summary

1. FALL FESTIVAL

a. Reports:

- i. Ron – Financial – Ron was absent; however, prior to today's meeting, he provided a printed report. Fred distributed copies. Bottom line; the Reunion Committee balance currently stands at \$3,337.
- ii. Joe – vendors – So far, about 20 vendors who have expressed interest. Some have paid the \$50 fee; most have not. A few additional vendor names surfaced during discussion. Joe will contact/invite these possibilities.
- iii. Paul – electricity at E-Dot Park – Nothing new to report; Paul will contact Rick Gann regarding our desire for the electric to be installed by August 15. Paul reported that the new lines will be installed under ground and the existing poles will be removed.
- iv. Tasha – youth groups in parade? – Tasha is waiting on a response from the group leaders.
- v. Fred – Waiver form for Skillet Toss participants? – After discussion, Betty moved and Joe seconded a motion that all skillet toss participants will be required to sign a short waiver statement, which Fred had shared with committee members prior to today's meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
- vi. Fred – Publicity (timetable for news releases; content for possible flyers) – Fred reported that he has confirmed arrangements to publicize the Fall Festival in the following manner:

1. Three area newsletters (Butler Rural Electric, Southwest Water Association, and the Milford Township Trustees)
2. The Hamilton Journal News "Pulse" calendar
3. Feature stories by Bob Ratterman in the Sunday edition of the Hamilton Journal News
4. Electronic newsletters (Just So You Know and Darrtown Reunion)

The committee decided to NOT pay for newspaper advertising.

- vii. Jack & Betty – T-shirt sales – Betty reported that she and Jack secured pricing at a local print shop. She then displayed a Fall Festival logo that Fred designed. After discussion, Joe moved and Don seconded a motion that Betty and Jack place an order for 200 T-shirts in an amount that would not exceed \$1500. The motion passed unanimously.
- viii. Joe and John Newman – Parade – John reported that he has commitments from 17 persons and/or groups. Discussion generated some additional ideas, which John said he would investigate.

b. Duty Sheets:

- i. We conducted a line-by-line review of the Fall Festival Duty Sheets. Items seem to be covered.

c. Follow-up items from our last (June 18) meeting:

- i. Ron: Grant proposal – The Oxford Community Foundation donated \$1000 toward the committee's half of electrical costs at E-Dot Field. Ron is preparing another grant request to be submitted to another area resource.
- ii. All Committee Members: Parade marshal(s) – After discussion, the committee agreed to designate Dale Bufler as the Grand Marshal of the Fall Festival parade. We discussed ideas for recognizing other current or former Darrtown residents; however, no consensus was reached. We agreed to continue the conversation at future meetings.

- iii. All Committee members: Volunteers meeting – We discussed the scheduling of a Fall Festival volunteer meeting during the last week of July. Fred will check with Duane Clark to determine which nights/dates are available and report back to the committee via email.

2. OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- a. Ron – Stone marker for the Milford Twp. Memorial Park – No news to report.
- b. Ron – Benches in the village square – Ron submitted the message that will be engraved on the Lutheran church bench and he is waiting to hear from the person who is donating funds for the fourth bench.
- c. Next meeting – No meeting date was established. We will resolve the next meeting date via email.