

SUMMARY
DARRTOWN REUNION COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 22, 1:00 PM AT THE RON WILEY RESIDENCE

ATTENDANCE: All members present, except for Paul Gillespie

I. FINANCIAL REPORT: JOHN NEWMAN

John provided copies of a spreadsheet he developed. Items were arranged by components of the Fall Festival and managers (persons responsible). As of this date, we show an expected (and approximate) inflow of a \$14,500; an outflow of \$4,000; and a balance of \$10,000. However, we know that the outflow will increase – as we must (for example) rent the stage, purchase or rent a sound system, provide cash prizes, cover unanticipated expenses, etc.

II. ANCESTRY ANNUAL PAYMENT: FRED LINDLEY

Prior to this meeting, Fred distributed an email proposal to all Reunion Committee members that the Reunion Committee assume the cost of an annual membership at Ancestry.com, so that Fred could continue to maintain the (online) Darrtown Family Tree. The cost of this year's membership is \$189. Ron made a motion to approve Fred's proposal; Duane seconded the motion; and the committee unanimously approved the motion.

III. FESTIVAL EVENTS: JACK DANIELS

Jack reported on the following:

Music: Jack is still looking for bands; the challenge is to find bands that will play for free.

Tents: At this time, it seems that we can meet our needs by borrowing tents from various individuals and avoid the cost of renting or purchasing any tents.

Festival Signs: Jack is coordinating the provision of signs (in the village square and at the intersection of St. Rt. 130 and St. Rt. 177) by modifying signs we used in the past. The total cost is projected to be \$244. Ron made a motion to approve the cost of the signage; Duane seconded the motion; and the committee unanimously approved the motion.

Gate in ball diamond outfield fence: We are waiting for the Township to create a 20' gate in the centerfield fence at E-Dot Park. The stage rental company requires an opening of that width and we must provide a photo of such an opening by August 1.

Grand Marshal: After discussion, Betty made a motion to approve the selection of Ida Mae Lemmons; Joe seconded the motion; and the committee unanimously approved the motion.

Community Center storage: We are waiting for the Township to approve our request to store Darrtown Festival items in the Milford Township Community Center. Since Paul was not present, we did not take any further action.

IV. SKILLET TOSS AND TRACTOR TIRE FLIP: FRED LINDLEY

Fred sought the opinion of the committee regarding the idea of creating the same age-groups for both the skillet toss and tractor tire flip. The proposed age groups are: (15-29) (30-49) (50 and over) and (combination – this enables team to have members from more than one age group). The committee approved this idea by consensus.

V. ICE CREAM VENDOR, FEE WAIVER: FRED LINDLEY

Prior to this meeting, Fred distributed an email proposal to all Reunion Committee members that (1) cited the fact that the vendor who sold ice cream products at past Darrtown events retired from the vending business and (2) expressed a desire that we somehow provide for the sale of ice cream at the 2016 Festival. To fill that void, Fred volunteered to serve as a one-time, one-year vendor who would sell an ice

cream product at the Festival, as long as the Committee would waive the \$50 vendor fee. After discussion, the committee approved this idea by consensus.

VI. MEMORIAL PARK MARKER STATUS: RON WILEY

Ron reported that the additional engraving had been completed and reminded us that we agreed to pay for the cost of the additional engraving. We await the final bill.

VII. REQUEST FOR FUNDS FOR PARK: RON WILEY

Ron reported that the Oxford Community Foundation invited us to pay for part of the expenses associated with the improvement of playground equipment at E-Dot Park. After discussion, we decided to not contribute, as we anticipate that the cost will be covered by a grant that is being pursued by the McCullough-Hyde Memorial Hospital.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS:

Scavener Hunt: Fred proposed that the committee grant him permission to organize a “virtual” scavenger that would occur during the Fall Festival, within the confines of E-Dot Park. Participants would take photos of the listed items and upload them to the Darrtown Reunion Facebook page. The winner would receive \$50. The committee asked Fred to develop the specifics of the proposal; send the details to the committee by email; and proceed, if the proposal is subsequently approved by committee members.

T-Shirts: After discussion, we agreed, by consensus, that, in an effort to exhaust the existing supply of T-shirts (left-over from last year’s reunion) all shirts should be priced at \$5 each.

Gate-prize: After discussion, we agreed that, in an attempt to gather attendance information and to collect email addresses, we would offer a \$100 gate prize, which will go to the person whose name is randomly drawn from a pool of all who register in the Welcome Center/tent.

IX. NEXT MEETING:

We agreed to meet at the Wiley residence at 1 PM, on Thursday, August 11.