

Darrtown Reunion Committee Meeting  
Monday, July 10 2017 6:30 pm at E-Dot Park

Committee Members Present: Fred Lindley, Angie Gillespie, Paul Gillespie, Don Beckett  
Duane Clark, Dianna Leuthold, John Newman.  
Guests: Rick Martin and Mark Leuthold

Angie called the meeting to order. Dianna read the minutes from the last meeting. Fred moved and Don seconded to approve the minutes. Committee approved with an "aye" vote.

John reported the financial balance. There is \$ 9,150.13 in the bank. We also have a balance of \$3,903.05 with the Oxford Community Foundation.

Angie submitted a \$2,000.00 donation from McDonald's and a \$500.00 donation from LaRosa's of Oxford. McDonald's also donated a gift basket and gift cards. There was a discussion about seeking donations from individuals that committee members may know. Fred has 20 people he plans to contact. He is also working to secure a donation from Lykins Energy Solutions, through his connection with Greg Elam. Angie has sought a donation from Kroger. Duane will pursue a donation from the beer distributor that serves the Fall Festival beer garden. Fred provided a form letter, with the Reunion Committee letterhead that committee members may use when seeking donations from potential donors. The letter included a tax ID number that donors could use for tax deduction purposes.

Don presented the flyers for the car and tractor shows. He personally paid for the flyers and extra printing at Bethart. Don also reported he has donations to cover the newspaper ad costs.

Don also reported on the cost of the Rumpke port-o-lets. The committee decided on 5 and one handicapped. Also, 10 trash containers. The pot-o-lets are to be pumped Sunday morning, September 10. Don will proceed with making those arrangements. Fred asked Paul to arrange for the township to clean and deodorize the permanent outdoor restrooms at E-Dot Park; Paul agreed.

Don also reported Greg Haskins will take care of signage, the John Deere Gator is all set. Golf carts will be handled by Lance Broshear.

Angie reported on the difficulty she encountered when trying to find bands to play at the Festival. She has contacted Ryan Broshear from Oxford, who is an up and coming country music artist. Fred added that Ryan has performed in Nashville, Tennessee during the 2017 Country Music Fest. Ryan agreed to perform for about 2 hours at a cost of \$2000.00.

Wurzelbacher's would build a stage and tear it down at a cost of \$1,400.00. Paul moved and Duane seconded to pursue getting Ryan Broshear for Saturday evening entertainment. "Ayes" carried the unanimous vote. Fred moved and Dianna seconded to let Angie proceed in securing Ryan's performance and to work with Wurzelbacher's. Unanimous "ayes" carried the vote. Fred will handle publicity.

Angie has two other bands that will play before Ryan Broshear's performance.

Duane will cut back the tent size, from 100x40 to 60x40, as an outdoor stage, with cover, will be set up by Wurzelbacher's. We had previously planned to rent the 100x40' tent to accommodate a homemade performance platform, inside the larger tent. "Ayes" carried this vote.

The competition part of the parade will be voted on by parade spectators, at the welcome tent.

We will have the "Darrtown's Got Talent" show. Fred will handle getting someone to run it and he will also promote it.

There was discussion about securing a plaque to honor George Luegers, who passed away. George was a great volunteer and contributor to the Festival. The committee approved plans to proceed. Fred and Don will work on this together. The plaque will be presented to George's wife during the 2017 Festival.

A meeting for the Task Managers was set for Monday, July 31 at 6:30 pm at E-Dot Park.