Kiel FFA Alumni and Supporters Meeting November 28, 2022

PRESENT: Ross Westphalen, Scott Schweitzer, Jodi Kautzer, Ross Bender, Mike Joas, Abigail Winkel, David Mueller, Emmy Hastreiter, Nicole Wallender, Gavin Wallander and Emily Mueller

ABSENT: Zach Lensmire, Sam Lensmire and Jon Braun.

President Ross Westphalen called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

CONSENT AGENDA: The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were sent out prior to the meeting. Advisor's report given by Emmy Hastreiter. She reported that the annual FFA Pizza sale fundraiser started tonight as order forms will be handed out. The FFA National Convention went well. The Ag Mechanics team received a silver placing. They placed 29th out of 43 teams at the National competition. Tonight's FFA chapter meeting has a Thanksgiving theme. On December 19 Evan Mennen, Section 9 state officer, will be meeting with the chapter. The FFA will be showcased at the March 1 school board meeting, a presentation will be put together for the school board. Consent agenda approval made by Scott and seconded by Abigail. Consent agenda motion approved.

DISCUSSION AGENDA:

FFA REPORT-FFA OFFICER: Emily Mueller reported that the Trick or Charity activity on October 30 was held and went well. The life skill reviewed for the month of November was cursive writing. Members of the board brainstormed other ideas for life skill ideas. PALS was held with the elementary school students and activity revolved around cranberries. February 11, 2023 is scheduled for pizza making day. National Convention tours included Purdue College and Fastenal Company. Kiel FFA chapter received a 2-Star National Chapter award at The National Convention. Individual results for the CDE Ag Mechanics team included Ausen Vogel receiving a gold placing, Marshall Braun receiving a silver placing and Ethan Joas and Domonic Sheets, both receiving Bronze placings. Mike stated that all the boys from the Ag Mechanics team were offered numerous job opportunities at the National competition.

FFA CONVENTION: Overall the convention went well. Mike will get paid for mileage as approved in the August meeting. Mike reported that the total amount for the van rental, gas and parking came to \$1,120.04 as they were able to return the van a day early. The FFA alumni will pay ⅓ for the costs of expenses for members that met the requirements to receive help with expenses. Emmy reported that the total expense for the members to attend the National Convention was \$4,472.73.

NUT AND BOLT SALE: The fundraiser started as of today. Riders are set-up.

GREENHOUSE CLEAN-UP: Emmy reported that David came and helped on the scheduled clean-up day. Morgan Fischer is Emmy's educational aide this term and continues to help with clean-up in the greenhouse. There is an issue with the heater in the greenhouse, which Emmy stated that the school maintenance staff will look at. Also the greenhouse roof was fixed.

ALUMNI CONVENTION 2023: Is being held in Waukesha on February 3-5. Tours this year include the Mitchell Domes and American Family Field (Brewers Stadium). Workshops are scheduled for the weekend along with entertainment and auction. January 2 is the last day that a hotel can be booked and January 3 is when registration ends.

ALUMNI CONVENTION 2024: Is scheduled to be held at the Oshkosh Convention Center from February 9-10, which Sections 6,8 and 9 on the planning committee. Kiel chapter is scheduled to help with registration during the convention, which will include volunteers for Friday morning starting at 10 am and Saturday morning.

FUNDRAISERS FOR 2023: Brat Fry, which Scott will check to see if it can be held at the Ace Hardware Parking Lot and also look at dates. Golf Outing possibly be held in June in conjunction with Spring Auction. Mum sale will be held on September 9th. On-Line auction discussion to continue. Nut and Bolt sale starts the 2nd week after Thanksgiving.

ALUMNI GATHERINGS: Abigail will continue to look for a Sunday afternoon date in January or February for bowling activity.

OTHER BUSINESS: Enclosed trailer is currently being stored by David Friend. Ongoing storage and storage unit will be discussed at the next meeting. Cheryl Steinbach would like new officer positions. Clothing order, Abigail continues to work with Jamie Dahmer on getting order forms together. Nicole, section representative, asked for a sponsorship for herself for the 2023 FFA Alumni Convention. Motion was made by Scott and seconded by Ross B. to pay ½ of the Saturday price. Amount of sponsorship approved is \$120. Ross B. reported that \$515 was made from the on-line auction this past fall.

NEXT MEETING DATE: December 19, 2022 at 7pm at Kiel High School

Motion made by Nicole and seconded by Abigail to adjourn meeting at 8:28 pm.