

NH Young Farmers

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2016 AT 7 P.M.

Location: Alan's of Boscawen, 133 N Main St, Rte 3, Boscawen, NH -UNAPPROVED MEETING MINUTES-

PRESENT:

Tyler Matteson of Hillsborough County

Shawn Bersaw, Jill Dumont, Jacob Kimball, Alicia Pedemonti, Jay Pritchard, Nate Robertson,

Si Robertson, & Landon Woodward of Merrimack County

Amy Matarozzo of Rockingham County

Tyler Allen & Ammy Rice of Strafford County

Staff: YF Co-Coordinators Leandra Pritchard & Josh Marshall

Amy Matarozzo, Chair brought the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

I. MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 & NOVEMBER 6, 2016 - YF MEETINGS

Alicia Pedemonti MOTIONED to approve both the September 15 and November 6, 2016 minutes as presented.

Jill Dumont SECONDED.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS FOR

II. OLD BUSINESS

1. Report of the Chair, Amy Matarozzo

She attended the NHFB Annual Meeting last week. The rest of her report will follow during the discussion.

Financials

No financials were presented to the group. Next meeting we will discuss fundraising and our financial status.

- 3. Project Reports
- Fundraising Review
 - Laconia Pumpkin Festival Net \$780
 - Grower's Dinner \$1281
 - "Kiss The Pig" Annual Meeting Fundraiser Net \$290

Unfortunately the weather for Pumpkin Festival was very rainy, so there was not as much traffic to our food booth as normal. Despite the rain, we served up delicious shepherd's pie and mac and cheese made with local ingredients from our farmers to our happy customers. We will revisit this fundraising opportunity at the next meeting and decide if we will continue in Laconia or try another event.

Grower's Dinner was a definite success this year, raising more money than we have in the past.

The Kiss the Pig fundraiser at the Annual Meeting was also well funded. Tony Viscusi of Farm Family had to kiss the pig.

4. FUSION Conference – February 10-13, 2017 in Pittsburgh, PA

Information about FUSION was passed out to the group. We have some money set aside in our budget to send members on our trip; it was also suggested that members can ask their counties to help fund their trip as well. The registration deadline for our group is December 16th. Members interested are Amy & Brian Matarozzo, maybe Tyler Matteson and Si Robertson.

5. Farm Credit AgEnhancement Program application due December 1

We plan to apply for a grant to help send some of our members to the FUSION conference. Amy Matarozzo and Tyler Matteson are willing to give their input via a conference call next week.

6. NE Dairy & Food Council – Communications Training

Josh reached out to them again and said that our group was interested in holding a training the end of January. Depending on the length of the training, we could hold it on a week night or if longer, on a weekend during the day. Once we hear back, we will let the group know of a date and location.

7. Other Old Business

None at this time.

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. Sign thank you cards

Thank you cards were sent around for donors for Pumpkin Festival and for Growers Dinner.

2. Next meeting – Christmas Party

Christina Murdock is willing to hold the annual Christmas Party at her home this year. Saturday, December 17 or Sunday, December 18 in the evening would work for most members. We will discuss with Christina which day works best for her. We will also have a Yankee Swap with a \$20 cap on gifts.

3. Other New Business

None at this time.

IV. ADJOURN

Alicia Pedemonti MOTIONED to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. and Tyler Matteson SECONDED.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS FOR

Respectfully Submitted, Leandra Pritchard, YF Co-Coordinator