**Tomahawk & District Sports Agra Society**

**February 28, 2017**

**In attendance**: Ashley Kendall Ayla Kendall Shawna McGinn Christa Nicholson Kathy Strocher Chris Goerz Wilma Bell Jean Bolen Joyce Goerz Eric Pischke Clint Schwalbe Warren Strocher Kara Andre Val Goertz Chantel Goerz Leigh-Ann Bierkos Diane Case Paul St. Arnaud

**Meeting called to order:** Kara called the meeting to order at 7:03pm

**Reading of the minutes:** Kara sent out the minutes beforehand.

**Errors & Omissions:** None

**Motion to accept minutes as read:** Wilma Bell **2nd by:** Diane Case

**New Memberships:**

**Additions to Agenda:**

1. Tree Grant/Canada Post Grant (Kara) 2. Booking Policy (Kathy/Val) 3. Paul with Parkland County

**Motion to accept additions to agenda:** Chris Goerz **2nd by:** Kathy Strocher

**New Business:**

1. Tree Grant/Canada Post Grant (Kara) – There is a Tree Grant for Canadas 150th. Have applied for the grant in collaboration with the school. You can get up to $5000.00 worth of trees. Kara will keep us posted if we receive this grant. We applied for the Canada Post Grant last year and received $1500.00, we used the funds for Farm Days 2016. Kara has applied for this grant again.
2. Booking Policy (Kathy/Val) – Please ensure ALL bookings, or booking related questions are going through Kathy & Val only.
3. Paul with Parkland County – We will be seeing either Paul or Cindy at our meetings. Went over available grants, please forward any information on upcoming events to them so they can advertise for us, and he brought along the new Leisure guides.
4. Strocher Memorial Ball Tournament (Warren) – July 7-9, 2017. Will be doing the food truck for concession, has approached the Ukrainian Food Catering to cater the supper this year. They are planning on planting the grass around the playground this spring, and working on the diamonds.
5. Mother’s Day/Father’s Day Pancake Breakfast (Warren/Melissa) – Flyers are printed. If interested in volunteering please contact Melissa.
6. CP Clothing Bin (Val) – The hall has been approached about putting a Cerebral Palsy Association clothing donation bin at the Agra. Christa will contact them in regards to putting it at the school instead as there are people at the school every day. We don’t want the bin to turn into a place for people to dump their garbage, and want to ensure that the items are going to be picked up on a regular basis.
7. January Monthly Meeting (Kara) – Would like to break up the Annual meeting, and regular monthly meeting in January to help shorten up the February meeting as we go almost 2 months without a meeting. Will put the question forward in an email along with the February meeting minutes to see what members think.
8. Volunteer Lunch (Amber) – Tabled. Would like to do something for our Volunteers to show our appreciation for everything they do. Drayton Valley has a Volunteer Appreciation night on April 27th (Will bring up at next meeting if we would like to book a table).
9. Co-Op Communities Grant (Kara) – Up to $100,000.00. Looked at applying for 2017, but we wouldn’t have enough time. Would like to get started on applying for the 2018 grant. They increase the amount of funding the give each year.
10. 5 Year Project Plan (Kara) – To go along with the Co-Op grant, Kara would like the hall to come up with a 5 year plan for renovations & improvements for the hall. This will help us find grants that would work best for what we want. Kara had talked with Cindy Davies. Cindy said the county can send out a survey to Tomahawk Residents where they could put input about what they would like to see happen in our community. Tomahawk School will host our first 5 Year Plan Committee Meeting on March 30th at 7pm.
11. Volunteer of the Year (Kara) – The event is at Clymont Hall on April 28th. Going forward we would like to do a secret ballot where people will nominate who they think is deserving of this award with a reason as to why. The executive board will take all nominations and decide.
12. Presidents Forum (Kara) – April 3rd at Magnolia Hall. Wilma, Kara & Chantel to attend.
13. Cleaning Committee Annual Update (Kara) – The cleaning committee met with Donna to discuss any concerns over the past year. In regards to the cleaning of the Range Hood, we will get a few people together to clean the hood a couple times a year. We have received Donnas’ new insurance.
14. Farm Days 2017 (Kara) – June 27, 2017. Confirmed most of the farms we will be attending this year. This year we will be taking Grade 1 – 3’s which will be approximately 40 students. They will be doing up goody bags, and having crafts/games/activates at each of the stops. Will be opening this up to any kids in the area that are in this age group & would like to attend.
15. AAAS Convention (Amber, Wilma, Kara & Shawna) – Won 4 awards – 1st in New Event under 100 people for Farm Days, 2nd in the same category for the Kids Retreat, 1st for our Newsletter, and 3rd for our Fair Book. It would be beneficial if we could find a way to send more members, and have the Agra better represented next year.
16. Donation from Quilting Group (Kara) – The Sewing ladies would like to donate their quilt they made this year to the Agra to raffle off. Will contact them to see when the quilt will be finished and set which day the draw will be made.
17. Donation from Seniors (Kara) – The seniors have donated $2500.00 to the Agra. Thank-you!

**Old Business:**

1. 4H Update (Ayla) – The club is hosting a magic show fundraiser at Tomahawk School on March 17, there will be silent auction, 50/50 tickets and a concession. Tickets are $5/each, 3 & under are free. Virtual calf tours will be taking place on March 19th. All club members are to make a video of their calf. May 6th they are having a mini show & grooming clinic. May 29th is their Achievement day show that is held at the Drayton Valley Omni plex. Congratulations to Rylee Rogers, Wilson Bell, Jordynn Rogers & Logan Jesperson who had advanced to the District Communications that was held at the Buck Creek hall on February 18th.
2. Bingo (Donna) – Numbers have been increasing, and pots continue to grow.
3. Jamboree (Jean) – January Jamboree 50/50 was $95.50 & took in $312.00, expenses were $322.65. Made a profit of $84.85. February Jamboree 50/50 was $155.00 & took in $502.00, expenses were $360.71. Made a profit of $296.29. March Jamboree is March 17.
4. Events Committee (Chantel) – Easter Egg Hunt – April 2. Mother’s Day Craft Day – May 13. Father’s Day Birdhouse Build – June 17. Halloween Family Dance – October 28. Grinch Candy Cane Hunt – December 16. Diane Case makes the motion to give the Events Committee up to $1000.00 for their first event, the Easter Egg Hunt, seconded by Chris Goerz, all in favour, carried. Next events meeting is March 8th at 6:30PM.
5. Hall Bookings (Val/Kathy) – Lots of bookings.
6. Tomahawk Rural Crime Watch Update (June) – Annual meeting is this Thursday, March 2 at 7:00PM.
7. Change Table (Donna) – Tabled.
8. Wi-Fi (Chantel) – Tabled.
9. Canada Day 2017 (Kara) – Will be doing a show & shine this year. Coloring contest sheet is completed, and will be putting together a Canadas 150th coloring book. Donations are coming in.
10. Hall Sign (Kara) – Has been updated with the website & yoga. Kara will be keeping the sign as updated as possible.
11. White Board (Wilma) – White board is here, please feel free to use for any events at the Agra.
12. Mother’s Day Craft Day (Wilma) – May 13th, 10:00AM – 2:00PM. Wilma will be working on getting tickets printed this week. She has already sold 10 tickets. Will be selling 45-50 tickets. Cost is $70.00 for 4 smaller crafts, or $70.00 for one big craft. You are able to do both for $140.00.
13. Kids Retreat 2017 (Amber) – Brighter Futures is for sure taking over this event. Will be held July 10-14th. More details to come.
14. Furnace (Wilf) – Is fixed.

Correspondence: Canada 150th Grant. Tomahawk School Newsletter thanked the Agra for being able to use the hall for the Archery Tournament, and acknowledged our AAAS award for Farm Days. AAAS Certificate of Membership. Security Company Cost Increase Letter. Thank you Card from 4H.

**Treasurers' Report:**
Val Goertz made the motion to accept the treasurer’s report as read and pay all outstanding bills, Leigh-Ann Bierkos seconded, all in favour, Carried.

We will be moving our June meeting, to June 20th as the 27th is Farm Days.

**Adjournment:** Kara adjourned the meeting at 9:10pm.

**Next Meeting Date: March 28th, 2017**