General Membership Meeting
2/27/2016

President Simmons calls the general membership meeting to order and gives the invocation
At this time we will pass out the ballots to allow you vote for the judges for Spring Celebration.

While the votes are being counted we will move onto the next item on our agenda, that is approving our minutes they have been passed out on the tables in front of you if you will look over them now please.

Greg Johnston makes a motion to approve the minutes
Tonya Parsons seconds the motion, Motion carries

Mrs. Darlene Harris gave us the treasurer's report

Last year if you remember our bottom line was $57,000 in the negative this year we have pulled off a profit of about $18,000.

Our changes came mainly on our income side Stall rental, and exhibitor show awards. We cut the budget by $20,000. Our Gold Championship Circle and sponsorship participation were up.

Dewey Hannon made a motion to accept the treasures report
Charlie Brown, Seconds , Motion carries

President Simmons moved on to the committee reports

Ricky Parker made a motion to forgo the Committee reports
Dewey Hannon Seconds the motion, Motion carries

New business:

One Night Show Pass:
The board has decided and voted, there will be a one night show pass.
These one night show cards will work only with one night shows not spring or fall celebration, so for $5 someone can purchase the show card and show only that night.

Member: Who would be responsible for selling these passes?

President Simmons: The entry office would be responsible, when they collect the other fees they will collect the $5 for the passes and send a list of people who purchased them and the money they collected back to the office with their paperwork.

Member: Will we get a form to for them to fill out

Melisa Taylor: Yes when you receive your show packet you will get all the forms and information you need.

President Simmons: We are doing this for show managers and small shows to allow people to show, in return we would like it if you would please make sure everything is completely filled out because we would like to reach out to these people and see if we can get them to become members.

We are addressing our Rule Book, it is going to take a long time to get this done but we are working on it, in its entirety the Articles of Incorporation, the By Laws and the Rules. We will separate all three of these things so there is no confusion in what you are reading and where it belongs. we have been working for the past two days straight to get everything started.

I want to say a special thank you to Mrs. Mary Alice she has worked very hard to help with this project as well.

Those are just a few things we are excited about another is we have a lot of new shows on the board this year. One of our number one complaints in the past was we don't have anywhere to go show. That is changing, we have to support these shows or they will go away and we really won't have anywhere to go.

Member: Is there a place for us to go to see what shows are available?

President Simmons: Yes as soon as we get them in our office they are posting them to the website. One more thing if you as a member go out and get a new member someone who has not been a member before they will receive two free tickets to Spring Celebration and two free tickets to fall celebration.

Member: Something that seems to trouble us going into the fall celebration every year is sponsorship money. I brought up something that the WH former CEO did and that is, if he went out of town the association would pay for his room up to $70 or something if he landed the sponsorship they would reimburse air fare and the first year they sponsored he retained 30% the second year 20% and the third year 10%, he had residual income because of this. Is this a possibility for our membership to help create incentive for us to sell sponsorships?

President Simmons: That is something we would need more information on, I think I understand everything your saying but it is definitely something the Board would have to meet and discuss.

President Simmons announced the Spring Celebration Judges
Mary Alice Bohannon
Gerald Campbell
Roger Byrd
Danny Musick

This concludes what we have to do today for the meeting. Do I hear a motion to adjourn?

Mary Alice Bohannon: Made a motion to adjourn

Greg Johnston: Seconds the motion, Motion carries