

Home Ec/BBQ/Food Stand Committee Meeting June 9, 2021 at 6 pm at the Fairgrounds

In attendance: Marisa Wasinger-GH, Pam Montgomery-BJF, John Weisenborn-GJ, Charlene Nichols-GJ, Amy Jensen-Food Stand Manager, Sheena Klaus-BJF, Amy Wasinger-GH, Donna Maskus-GJ, Mattie Rossi-Summer Program Assistant, Berny Unruh-agent, Susan Schlichting- agent

Marisa called the meeting to order. The Safety guidance for food stands was reviewed. Thoughts on use of masks were shared. The best practices from KSRE are recommendations only and we are to check with the local government and use the rules and regulations for our area. The committee wants to ask Jason Kennedy, ECHD about local situations and his recommendations.

Menus – all agreed to stick with the same menu minus a few things that did not sell last year (ex. no frozen lemonade). Food prices are a little crazy so there may need to be some increase in prices. Will continue with porkburgers on Wednesday night and Burgers, fries, chicken strips and wraps for daily sales. Will also keep frozen grapes since they are easy to prepare. Will consider loaded fries with toppings like cheese, chili, bacon, etc.

Scheduling –Not open on Monday. Will open with Tuesday exhibitor breakfast at the foodstand. Breakfast will be served 7-11 am, lunch served from 11 am – 2 pm, 2-4 drinks only, 4 - 10 pm evening meal. Committee recommends that Clubs be assigned to a shift and there will be open shifts so individuals can sign up (if they cannot work during their assigned club shift). Evening shift will need more people.

Marketing – Hays Post – Social Media – work with Christina Janney – Radio Station with Theresa Trapp – Food Stand and Ambassadors.

Facilities and Equipment – got a new freezer donated. Will also ask Hometown Brand Center for use of a freezer to store ice in.

Food stand manager report– some food and paper goods prices are higher, so maybe will need to raise prices a little. Discussed asking 4-H families to donate locally raised beef. Will put in the newsletter to let the Extension Office know if you have beef to donate by July 1st.

Discussion about use of Square for credit / debit card sales. Brandon Purdy will allow us to use his equipment and will go with Amy to the Extension Board and explain the procedure. One benefit is that it is really good for inventory. Committee would like to pursue using Square. It was suggested that one window be used for Square purchases and one window for cash and check. Someone can enter the cash and check orders into the iPad when things are not busy.

We will still continue to sell punch cards.

For this year, we will continue to use the Pepsi Coolers in the food stand and Pepsi will fill the coolers with product.

Elizabeth Noble will make the report to 4-H Council.

Sheena moved we adjourn the meeting. It was seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

Berny Unruh, Recorder