

# Slow Boys News



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### Meeting Minutes February 2023

The Slow Boys Meeting was called to order by President Art Downs. About 25 members were present

**Secretary's Report:** Motion to approve by Russell Tjarks. Seconded by Lucas Kronos. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Matt Hall gave the Treasurer's Report. Checking account balance was \$1599.17 and the savings balance was \$4369.58. Motion to approve made by Allyn Kleinert seconded by Billie Conrad. Motion approved.

### Old Business:

**One Day Membership for Iroquois County Fair:** Greg Roeder spoke with Brenna regarding insurance and possibility of 1 day membership for the fair. We would be able to offer one, but it would increase our insurance fees for the year. More research into our policy is needed and the topic was tabled for further discussion after policy review.

**Barnyard Rules Meeting:** We had few changes here and there regarding classes that may be offered. Speed limit will be run at a few pulls. The new owners of the Mean Green sled were in attendance. A copy of the rules and pulling events will be posted on the club website once available.

**Board Meeting Update:** Meeting on Feb. 13th. Discussed merchandise, Super Saturday, and bylaws. Possible hats and totes were passed around for merchandise options. A cooler was also passed around as a potential raffle item for the county fair. Due to the cost of Super Saturday, no changes will be made to the event location or date. We will continue to partner with Gilman for the September event. Another item up for merchandise is the yearly calendar. Allyn Kleinert made the motion to create a calendar for July 2023 to June 2024 with roughly 72+ images and at around \$8 per calendar to purchase. Lucas Kronos seconded the motion. All but 1 member approved. Motion passed. Anyone with photos of past events throughout the years is encouraged to contact Adrienne or Corinne with any photos we can use for this year's calendar and any future calendars.

**Updated on By-Laws:** The club bylaws were changed back in 2015 during a full club meeting with member approval. The changes were never written or changed in the existing bylaws. The previously existing bylaws allowed us to update them as needed by vote and have now been updated to reflect the changes from 2015. The changes have already been in use since 2015, it is just now properly documented. A copy of the bylaws is available at meetings if anyone wishes to read through them.

### New Business:

**Tote Style Cooler:** Our hat supplier has donated 2 coolers with the club logo for us to use as raffle items for our events. We have 1 green tractor logo and 1 red tractor logo.

**Hats ordered:** A dozen summer hats were ordered for potential options. Cost was \$11 per hat. At our normal price it would give us \$4 profit per hat. Some camo options were available but the

price on them is still unknown. We will be looking into further purchasing for the fair.

**Talk to FFA Groups:** We discussed asking the FFA teacher sponsors about potentially having kids come in to do presentations for us. It was also discussed about having them potentially sell our raffle tickets in exchange for up to 25% of the profit of those sales. After discussion, we will talk with sponsors more but selling tickets was determined to be inadvisable at this time.

**Super Saturday Ideas:** Further discussion with the town board regarding this year's event is pending since it is unknown if it will be held this year with construction ongoing. If they do cancel it, we may see if we can hold our portion of the event anyway.

**Spring Ride:** Milford to Cissna Park and back. April 1st, 2023 from 10am to 3:30pm. Registration from 8:30am to 9:45am. Tractor & Driver Fee is \$30. Rider fee is \$15.00. Lunch will be provided. \$11.00 if you do not ride-Contact Corinne by March 27th.

**Butterfield Ride:** Will be held the 1st weekend of June and leave out of the Park in Iroquois. The ride will be about 65 miles.

**Oak Grove Pull:** The 1st annual pull to benefit Shriner's Children's Hospitals was held Feb. 23rd to 25th. There were 1153 hooks in 3 days with 25 states and Ontario represented. \$6,200 was raised by the event. Tentative dates for 2024 are Feb. 22nd thru 24th.

**Big Sales Upcoming:** Mecum's Spring Classic auction is March 24th & 25th and currently has about 500 tractors up for sale.

**Pontiac Tractor Pull:** It is the National Case show this year and a pull will be gained on Friday for the Antiques.

**Fair Pull:** As Sunday's ITPA pull was moved to Wednesday, the antiques' pull will have no time restriction currently. It is likely that some classes will be added.

**Sibley-Burr Oaks Drive:** Set for July 1st. Will be a new route SW of Fairbury. Registration is likely to start at 7:30am at lake Bar in Sibley. Lunch will be at the VFW again with a stop at the Country Store for Ice Cream and there is a raffle for a pedal tractor this year.

**Thank yous:** Thank yous received from Martinton Food Pantry, Leroy Ritzma, and Donovan's FFA Club.

**50/50 Drawing:** Ticket #2490 with \$37 to the Winner. Nancy Snedecor was the winner.

### Events:

- **Clifton Central FFA Auction:** March 18th

**Lunch Tonight:** Mike Buhrmester and Art Downs

**Lunch Next Month:** Greg and Adrienne Roeder

**Adjourn the meeting:** Motion made by Lucas Kronos, seconded by Russell Tjarks. Motion approved.

**Next Meeting -** March 27th at 7pm at Crescent City Community Center.

Secretary – Adrienne Roeder

### 2023 Officers:

President, Art Downs 815-471-6166 - Vice President, Mike Minor – Secretary, Adrienne Roeder – Treasurer, Matt Hall

Additional Board of Directors:

Mike Buhrmester, Leroy Ritzma, Dave Hall, Russell Schuler, Mike Minor, Milton Blume, and Allyn Kleinert