

NW PA MAPLE PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION MINUTES OF AUGUST 2013

The regular meeting was held at the home of Daryl Sheets on August 8th. Attending were: Bill and Marge Phillips, Dennis Northrop, Greg Walberg, Jim Bortles, Burton and Ruby Kimball, Chris Casbohm, Jason and Trisha Palmer, Bob and Bonnie Boylan, Daryl Sheets, and Lew Steckler.

President, Bill Phillips, called the meeting to order at 7pm. Minutes of July meeting were reviewed and corrected. Laura will chair a committee for the Jan. meeting. A written treasurer's report was passed out and reviewed. After corrections Jim made a motion to accept seconded by Jason and passed to approve the report. This included a current balance of \$36,139.77.

OLD BUSINESS: Trisha reported that fair work schedule for Crawford Co. Fair was complete. The new awning is not ready as extra supports are needed. Ruby reported that Wattsburg was ready and that all supplies have been ordered. Discussed milk shake machines.

Marge reported on Taste and Tour for next year. Bids were secured for printing the brochures, with low bid by Printing Concepts for \$1469.00. This is for 20,000 brochures with one half of them being folded. A check list of items for new producers on the tour was tabled.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion on maple royalty will be next month led by Laura. Daryl reported that LEME is progressing nicely with seminars on Friday and programs on Sat. Please note new format of our financial statement. A copy of the by-laws has been found. It was passed around for everyone to view.

General discussion items included : on-line exhibitor number for Pa. Farm Show, use of associations evaporator (possible use by Albion FFA). Repairs may be needed before it would be ready to make syrup, Cotton candy machine clean-up.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20. Next meeting October 10th at Bill and Marge Phillips home. Thank you Daryl for the refreshments.

Lew Steckler
Secretary