

**Montgomery Township
Autumn Festival Committee
Meeting Minutes for May 9, 2012**



At 6:54 p.m., co-chair Ruth Hardin called the Autumn Festival meeting to order. Mary Alfarano, Ginny Bailey, Stacy Crandell, Sue Dessner, and Ruth Hardin were in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The April 2012 minutes were approved as distributed.

OLD BUSINESS

Amusement Confirmed

Sharon and Stacy met with Bette from Bette's Bounces at Windlestrae park and it was a very productive meeting. Bette was able to suggest inflatables that would work in the space and is able to provide inflatables for all age ranges. Stacy reviewed the inflatables that had been ordered and showed pictures of the new ones so the Committee could get an idea of what was ordered. Bette's Bounces also came in \$1000 under budget.

T-Shirts

Stacy presented the Committee with the options available for this year's T-shirts. The plain shirts were about \$6 in cost while the one-color tie dyed shirt would cost around \$14 and the multi-colored tie dyed shirt would cost around \$15. The Committee decided to go with a plain shirt in Hunter Green with the full-color Autumn Festival logo across the chest and white printing on the back.

NEW BUSINESS

Sponsor/Vendor Updates

Ginny reported that since the last meeting, two "pumpkin" sponsors came in at \$1000 each and two more "for-profit" vendors asked for tables. At present, there are no food vendors so the Committee was asked to solicit restaurants and other eateries for the Festival. The Committee was also encouraged to keep looking for sponsors.

North Wales Water Authority

Stacy reported that the NWWA would like to come to the Festival but not be charged the vendor fee. The Committee decided that since the NWWA provides free water, the vendor fee would be waived.

Band/Ticket Pricing

The Committee decided to keep the ticket pricing for the Festival the same as last year. Stacy said more old clothes were needed for the scarecrows. The goal this year is not to spend any money on old clothes.

Corn Maze – Planted

Stacy reported that Ray has planted the corn maze field again this year.

Volunteers

Stacy asked for suggestions of other groups that could be contacted to volunteer at the Festival. The Key Club and other youth groups have worked out in the past but it would be nice to get more adults involved. Ruth suggested that maybe the Rotary in North Wales or the Kiwanis in Lansdale could be contacted.

OTHER BUSINESS

First Responder Demonstrations

Stacy reported that the VSMC, FDMT and MTPD have all confirmed their participation in this year's Festival. Each of them are looking to provide more interactive activities. Stacy and Sharon will work with them to come up with something different.

Star Wars Toy Collection Boxes

The Star Wars characters that are coming collect toys for children's hospital and bins or some kind of collection boxes would be available. It was also clarified that the toys don't have to be Star Wars-type toys but any type of toy would be accepted.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.