

FR Meeting Minutes for June 4th special planning meeting – Submitted by Christy Hewitt

Conducted over Zoom

Present: Megan Cure, Mitch Maire, LeAnne Doose, Herson Castaneda, Dana Jelinek, Kristin Johnson, Christy Hewitt

Absent:

Excused:

Megan has combed through the CDC rules and shared with us those that she believes would be pertinent to our event. She read through the regulations for large crowds and for restaurants. To comply, we will have to make several changes such as not having contestants greet the attendees as they come in, we can't have a buffet, attendees will not be allowed to move around. We may have to have workers/volunteers prescreened as they enter to help with the event.

From Megan's question to the minister at E-Free, we have no definitive answer as to whether they will allow us to have the event at their church. From Brook's talk with the Central Nebraska Health District, we have no answers. Briefly...no one knows where we will be in September.

We may have to find another venue and Mitch suggested we reach out to property owners such as Ray O'Connor to see if there might be buildings where they would have room to house our event. Having the event elsewhere, we would have other issues such as how to keep the food cool, water for drinking and for coffee, areas that can be used for cleaning dishes, etc.

It was the consensus of the group that we want to make things as safe as possible for our attendees so they feel comfortable. We talked about pushing the date back a few weeks since we could get an idea from the state fair spread information in time to decide to continue or go to Plan B.

We discussed whether there would be a need to set a policy for refunds if the event is cancelled. We decided that we would be willing to refund the fees if they asked for them, we would rather have people donate their fees if they are so inclined.

We need to get word out about the event and Kristin will get that ready to roll out by the first of July.

We will keep up with the latest guidelines from the Health Department and plan accordingly.

FR Supplemental Report from office

On June 10, the 2020 Mr. Habitat contestants met for a socially distanced orientation with Dana and Kristin, as well as former Mr. Habitat contestants, Travis Powell and Jon Rosenlund. Each proposed businesses they are approaching so as not to solicit the same places.

Kristin has been working on promotional pieces and getting contestant information to help with their campaigns. The launch will follow Go Big Give.