

Stark County Agricultural Society

Senior Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

President: Bill Locker called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Everyone stood for the pledge and the prayer led by Bill Locker.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

Ronald Chambers, Justin Durkin, Daniel Farnham, Bryan Griffin, Kevin King, Bill Locker, George Maier, Ron Neff, Rebecca Reed, Danny Schmucker, Jill Sterling, Dave Swartz, Russ Thorn, Debra Tournoux, Cynthia Vickers

**The following people were present for roll call but sworn in as members during this meeting:*

Travis Secrest, David Stock, Julie Nicholas

Secretaries: Crystal Bean

Junior Fair Coordinator: Julie Pinter

Absent: Jill McNeil

-Potential Board Members

- Jill Sterling presented Julie Nicholas (Massillon City) to the board as a potential board member. She has been involved in the fair growing up and currently helps her children in the 4-H program.

- Discussion was had among the current board members. No objections were heard.

- Board President, Bill Locker appointed Julie Nicholas to the board.

- Notary, Becky Reed, swore in Travis Secrest, David Stock, Julie Nicholas as SCAS Board Members.

Secretaries Report:

-Minutes from Wednesday December 14th Board meeting were presented to the board.

Motion 23-018: Dave Swartz motioned to approve the minutes from 12/14/2022 as presented.

Travis Secrest seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report: (Cindi V)

- Presented the board with December's treasurer report.

Motion 23-019: Danny Schmucker motioned to approve the Decembers Treasurers report as presented. Jill

Sterling seconded the motion with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Office Report: (Crystal B)

- Blue Ribbon (Martech) is up for renewal. This handles the fair entries and our membership list.

Motion 23-020: George Maier motioned renew the Blue Ribbon software for \$407 . Kevin King seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

- Presented the board with costs and information for the secretary to get a notary license. It is a 3 hour online class with testing, a new background check with notary code must be done, and then file the necessary information with the State of Ohio. Total cost is \$145.

Motion 23-021: Kevin King motioned for the Secretary to take the required classes and steps needed to get her notary license at the total of \$145. Jill Sterling seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Jr. Fair Coordinator: Julie P presented.

- 28 people (kids and chaperones) will be attending OFMA.
- Will be needing a renewal of software for fair entry of \$750.

Old Business:

- Cindi Vickers presented the board with a motion to rescind Motion 22-272 regarding the invoice and letter to Ohio Ice.
 - Discussion was had regarding this motion.

Motion 23-022: Cindi Vickers motioned to rescind Motion 22-272 regarding the invoice and letter to Ohio Ice. Dave Swartz Seconded. Ballot Vote was taken(Yes to Rescind / No to leave motion as is).
Vote: 11 Yes / 3 No / 4 Abstain
Motion Passed

New Business:

- The fairgrounds might have the possibility to upgrade internet and communications to a fiber optic line. The county is looking to upgrade and create a county wide network system for emergency use and government officials. The fairground might fall under that category since we have the Sheriff's Outpost and the grounds are used for emergency management.

Committee Reports

Junior Fair:

- Jr Fair Committee Minutes from 12/22/22 were presented.

Motion 23-023: Kevin King motioned to accept the JR Fair committee minutes. Cindi Vickers seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Auditing:

- Nothing to report.

Budget:

- Looking into possibly amending some amounts. Will present the board with those later.

Building & Grounds:

- Commissioners approved the bid and change order for the Water Line project.
- Looking into a project for the Grange building that Perry Grange can sponsor.
- There may be a Trade Expo at the fairgrounds in October for area schools.
- Looking into getting bids for mowing contracts.
- Commendation to Bill Locker & Bryan Griffin for their hard work towards the water line project.

Capitol Campaign / Building Plans:

- Nothing to report

Constitution and Bylaws:

- Nothing to report

PR & Advertising:

-Nothing to report

Privilege:

- Contracts and applications have been sent out.

Entertainment & Programs:

- One offer that was submitted for grandstand entertainment was accepted. The other offer is still in negotiation.

- A budget issue has been made known regarding grandstand entertainment. Truck & Tractor Pulls have previously been paid from 7340 (Contractual Entertainment) budget, according to the ODA chart of accounts this should be in 9220(Contest Premiums, Trophies & Ribbons) . With the recent offer accepted we are needing funds for the Pulls.

Discussion: Do we pull money from the 7340 budget or from general funds? Can we rescind the 2nd grandstand offer?

Motion 22-024: Dave Swartz motioned to pull the Scott McCreery offer and look for another act to allow more funds to be used for the Truck & Tractor Pulls. Bryan Griffin seconded the motion.

Ballot vote was taken: 1st Vote 9 Yes / 9/ No 2nd Vote: 9 Yes 9 No

Board president's vote was needed to split the tie.

Motion Passed.

Speed Committee:

- **Motion 22-025:** Becky Reed motioned to keep the horse racing dates the same for this years fair (Wednesday & Thursday). Earl Rohn seconded the motion with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Ticket Committee:

- Will be meeting to discuss ticket prices for fair.

Human Resources:

- Nothing to report.

Superintendent Reports

Art Hall:

- Fair book section is completed, just working on formatting.

Exhibition Hall:

-Nothing to report

Grandstand Galleria:

- A letter from the Whitetail Deer Farmers of Ohio was presented to the board. They will not be returning and doing the Sportsman's Hide Away for 2023.

- Discussion: We should try to reach out and address their issues. We need to plan on what we will be putting in there if they will not be returning.

Agricultural Building:

-Contract is close to renewal.

Grange:

- Nothing to report.

4H Building:

-Nothing to report

Wildlife Building:

- May not be returning.

Outside Food & Games:

- Was discussed previously.

Commissary:

- Nothing to report.

Jr Fair Camping:

-Issue regarding membership tickets and QuickBooks has been resolved.

Concession and Commercial Camping:

-Nothing to report.

Beef & Dairy Cattle:

- Nothing to report.

Goats:

-Nothing to report

Ponies:

-Looking at cutting some of the classes.

Draft Horses:

-Nothing to report

Poultry:

- Nothing to report.

Rabbits:

-Nothing to report

Sheep:

-Nothing to report

Swine

-Nothing to report

Gates:

-Nothing to report

Parking

- Working with Russ Thorn in obtaining a quote from Malone for parking.

Police:

-Nothing to report

Jr Fair Horses:

- Nothing to report.

Truck & Tractor Pull:

-Will be meeting Friday at the convention.

Background Checks:

- Working on getting background checks completed.

Landscape Enhancement:

- Nothing to report.

Rides:

- Nothing to report.

Shuttles:

-Nothing to report

Technology:

- Nothing to report.

Blue Ribbon:

- Was discussed earlier.

Sponsorship & Fundraising:

- Nothing to report.

Covid & Health:

-Nothing to report

Fair Book:

- Want to have Fairbook done and to the printer by the first of April.

Golf Cart:

- Nothing to report.

-Jr Fair will meet with Building & Grounds to discuss Ice for the fair.

Motion 23-026: Kevin King motioned to adjourn meeting. Jill Sterling seconded the motion with all voting yes.
Meeting adjourned at 9:24 PM.

William Locker *Board President*

Crystal Bean *Board Secretary*

Approved on _____