

Stark County Agricultural Society
Senior Board Meeting
Wednesday, Nov. 13th, 2024

President: Jill Sterling called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Everyone stood for the pledge and the prayer led by Jill Sterling.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

Ron Chambers, Justin Durkin, Mikayala Durkin, Dan Farnham, Bryan Griffin, Kevin King,
Drew Kissel, Bill Locker, Jill McNeil, Julie Nicholas, Danny Schmucker, Travis Secrest,
Amber Shoemaker, Jill Sterling, David Stock, Russ Thorn, Debra Tournoux, Cindi Vickers,
Sarah Yungen

Secretary: Crystal Bean

Junior Fair Coordinator: Julie Pinter

Absent: Earl Rohn

- Board Secretary and notary, Crystal Bean, administered oath to new board director, Drew Kissel.

Guest:

- Nick Kennedy (Stark County Farm Bureau): Needed changes for 2025 contract to update when they can be in it.

- Chris Vincent (Farm Bureau President): Needed updates to building.

- Aaron Green (Project Live) - Presented the board with different options for concerts during the 2025 fair.

- Bryan Miller (Jr Fair Auction Committee / Beef Committee): Auction committee would like to see a solution towards checks coming in, that they do not get cashed into the wrong account (the society's account not into the auction account).

Secretaries Report:

-Minutes from Wednesday October 9th's board meeting were presented.

Motion 24-180: Dave St motioned to approve the minutes from Wednesday, October 9, 2024. Bill L seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

-Minutes from Saturday, Nov 2 Re-Org Meeting were presented.

Motion 24-181: Travis S motioned to approve the minutes from the November 2 Re-Org meeting with corrections. Danny S Seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

- Octobers Treasurers report was presented to the board.

Motion 24-182: Travis S motioned to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Dave St seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-183: Travis S motioned to remove Frank Dale Klick, Dale Wells and Jesse Huddleston as signers on the Consumers Bank accounts ending in xx5115 (Beaver) and xx3851(Capitol Improvement). Danny S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-184: Travis S motioned to approve the following signers on Consumers Bank accounts ending in xx5115 (Beaver), xx1253 (Waterline Project) & xx3851 (Capitol Improvement): William Locker, Bryan Griffin, Russell Thorn and Cynthia Vickers. Ron C seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-185: Travis S motioned to non-renew CD's ending in xx8200 and xx3845 that are up for renewal on Nov. 5, 2024. Monies are to be deposited into a KeyBank checking account. Bill L seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-186: Danny S motioned to approve the following signers for the KeyBank checking account: Russell Thorn, Bryan Griffin, Cynthia Vickers and William Locker. Cindi V seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-187: Cindi V motioned to non-renew CD's at KeyBank and return monies to SCAs restricted funds under Swartz Memorial. Travis S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-188: Cindi V motioned to remove David Swartz as a signer on accounts at Consumers & Citizens Bank. Danny S seconded with 1 Abstain and 17 voting Yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-189: Cindi V motioned to give the Swartz Memorial monies to the Swartz Family to distribute. Bill L seconded.

Discussion on motion.

Motion withdrawn by Cindi V.

- The Nimishillen Grange would like to donate \$1,000 towards the purchase of 2 new card readers to be used during fair for gate admissions.

Motion 24-190: Bill L motioned to accept the donation from Nimishillen Grange and purchase 2 card readers. Travis S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Office Report:

- The election results were presented.

Motion 24-191: Bill L motioned to approve the 2024 SCAS election report. Justin D seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-192: Bill L motioned to destroy ballots from the Nov 1 SCAS election. Justin D seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-193: Bill L motioned to destroy the ballots from the SCAS re-org meeting, officer election. Justin D seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

- OFMA convention updates.

- The office will be closed on Thursday, Nov 28 and Friday Nov 29 for Thanksgiving.

Jr Fair Coordinator Report:

- Will be having a Christmas Party at the December meeting.
- Donated \$5000 to the advisory committee.
- The proceeds from the champions row banner auction will go towards next years stock the trailer.
- No January meeting due to convention.

Old Business:

- Letter sent to Latisha Camp regarding the grievance filed during fair.
- Directors Book: a handy manual for all directors.

New Business:

- Fraud Training: Directors need to complete the 7-minute fraud training and turn in certificates to the office by next board meeting.

Committee Reports

Auditing:

- Nothing to report.

Budget:

- The 2025 budget was presented.

Motion 24-194: Kevin K motioned to approve the 2025 Budget with changes. Danny S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Building & Grounds:

- Minutes from Novembers committee meeting were presented.

Motion 24-195: Bill L motioned to accept the minutes from Novembers Building and Grounds meeting with corrections. Dan F seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-196: Russ T motioned to purchase 1 skid of 60lb bags of concrete mix, not to exceed \$300. Cindi V seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-197: Russ T motioned to hire Ziegler Tire Company to load rear tires of the John Deere Tractor with windshield washer fluid, not to exceed \$420. Ron C seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Capital Campaign/Building Plans:

- Nothing to report.

Constitution & ByLaws:

- Nothing to report.

Junior Fair:

- Minutes from the October Sr Fair - Jr Fair committee meeting were presented.

Motion 24-198: Bill L motioned to approve the October Sr Fair-Jr Fair minutes as presented. Kevin K seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

- Grace Kiko would like to apply as a Jr Fair committee volunteer. This needs board approval due to she was not approved to reapply to the Sheep committee in 2023 after the board re-organized the committee.

Motion 24-199: Kevin K motioned to approve Grace Kiko’s application as a Jr Fair committee volunteer. Travis S seconded and a roll call vote was taken.

Ron C - YES	Justin D - NO	Mikayla D - NO
Dan F - YES	Bryan G - YES	Kevin K - YES
Drew K - ABSTAIN	Bill L - YES	Jill M - YES
Julie N - ABSTAIN	Danny S - YES	Travs S - YES
Amber S - YES	Dave St. - YES	Russ T - YES
Debra T - ABSTAIN	Cindi V - ABSTAIN	Sarah Y - YES

12 - YES / 2 - NO / 4 - ABSTAIN, Motion Passed.

PR & Advertising

- Nothing to report.

Privilege:

- Nothing to report.

Entertainment:

- Will be meeting with ProjectLive next week to secure artists for 2025 Fair.

Speed Committee:

- Nothing to report.

Ticket Committee:

- Will be ordering 50 memberships until we find out if we are exempt from the Canton City admission tax.

Human Resources:

- Will be having an interview for the Grounds supervisor position this Friday.

- Meeting with employees to go over contracts.

Superintendent Reports

Art Hall:

- Nothing to report.

Exhibition Hall:

- Nothing to report.

Grandstand Galleria:

- Nothing to report.

Agricultural Building (Farm Bureau):

- Nothing to report.

Grange:

- Nothing to report.

4H Building:

- Nothing to report.

Wildlife Building:

- Nothing to report.

Outside Food & Games:

- Nothing to report.

Commissary:

- Nothing to report.

Jr Fair Camping:

- Nothing to report.

Concession and Commercial Camping:

- Nothing to report.

Beef Cattle:

- Nothing to report.

Dairy Cattle:

- Nothing to report.

Goats:

- Nothing to report.

Ponies:

- Nothing to report.

Draft Horses:

- Nothing to report.

Poultry:

- Nothing to report.

Rabbits:

- Nothing to report.

Sheep:

- The committee will be meeting this coming Wednesday and voting for officers.

Swine

- Nothing to report.

Gates:

- Discussed earlier.

Parking

- Nothing to report.

Police:

- Nothing to report.

Jr Fair Horses:

- Nothing to report.

Truck & Tractor Pull:

- Nothing to report.

Background Checks:

- Nothing to report.

Landscape Enhancement:

- Nothing to report.

Rides:

- Nothing to report.

Shuttles:

- Nothing to report.

Technology:

- Nothing to report.

Sponsorship & Fundraising:

- Nothing to report.

Church:

- Nothing to report.

Health & Safety (EMS):

- Nothing to report.

BlueRibbon: (Now Fair Entry

- BlueRibbon is going out of business and their software will no longer be supported. We will need to switch to Fair Entry. They are having a training seminar in January (3 day training event for Fair Entry \$750 per person)

Motion 24-200: Travis S motioned to approve up to 2 individuals for training and lodging for the Fair Entry training seminar, not to exceed \$2000. Danny S with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Fair Book:

-Please look over your sections, would like to have the book completed by March 1, 2025. 2024 Division entry totals are available upon request.

Golf Cart:

- Nothing to report.

Any Other Business for The Good of The Society or Fair:

Motion 24-201: Travis S motioned to adjourn the meeting. Kevin K seconded the motion with all voting yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:24PM.

Jill Sterling *Board President*

Crystal Bean *Board Secretary*

Approved on _____

* The meeting agenda, contracts, meeting reports, and paperwork presented at this board meeting can be found within the 2024 Minutes book located at the fairground's office.