

Stark County Agricultural Society
Senior Board Meeting
Wednesday, December 13th, 2023

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

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

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

Ron Chambers, Justin Durkin, Dan Farnham, Bryan Griffin, Kevin King, Bill Locker, Jill McNeil,
Julie Nicholas, Earl Rohn, Danny Schmucker, Travis Secrest, Amber Shoemaker, Jill Sterling,
David Stock, Dave Swartz, Russ Thorn, Debra Tornoux, Cindi Vickers, Sarah Yungen

Secretary: Crystal Bean

Junior Fair Coordinator: Julie Pinter

Guests: Mikayla Durkin, Tricia Durkin, Bob Shahan

New Board Members: Bob Shahan and Mikayla Durkin were sworn in as board members by Board Secretary & Notary, Crystal Bean.

Secretaries Report:

-Minutes from Wednesday, November 8th's board meeting was presented.

Motion 24-1: Travis S motioned to approve the minutes from 11/8/2023 as presented.

Jill M seconded with all voting yes.

Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

- November Treasurers report was presented to the board.

Motion 24-2: Kevin King motioned to approve November Treasurers report as presented.

Travis S seconded the motion with all voting yes.

Motion Passed.

Office Report:

-Storage drop-off went well, and we have 70 items being stored.

Jr Fair Coordinator Report:

- We are ready for the convention in January.

- The Jr. Fair kids adopted a family for Christmas.

-Currently working on the 2024 rules.

Old Business:

-Nothing to report.

New Business:

Motion 24-3: Debra T motioned that the Senior Fair Board pays for the Jr Fair kids' dinner at the OFMA convention. Not to exceed \$1,500. Jill S seconded with all voting yes.

Motion Passed.

-The 2023 Annual Financial Report was presented to the board.

Motion 24-4: Kevin K motion to approve the 2023 Financial Report. Debra T seconded with all voting yes.

Motion passed.

Committee Reports

Auditing:

-Nothing to report.

Budget:

-Nothing to report.

Building & Grounds:

-Minutes from the 12/6/23 B&G meeting were presented.

Motion 24-5: Russ T motioned to hire Young Brothers to vacuum leaf piles at the cost of no more than \$500. Ron c seconded with all voting yes.

Motion Passed.

Motion 24-6: Russ T motioned to purchase limestone for the race track for \$2,000. Kevin K seconded the motion with all voting yes.

Motion Passed.

Capitol Campaign / Building Plans:

-Nothing to report

Constitution and Bylaws:

-Nothing to report

Junior Fair:

-Reviewing rules for 2024.

PR & Advertising:

-Nothing to report

Privilege:

-Nothing to report

Entertainment & Programs:

-Minutes from the December Entertainment meeting was presented.

Motion 24-7: Kevin K motioned to approve December's entertainment report minutes as presented. Danny S seconded with all voting yes.

Motion Passed.

Speed Committee:

- Applied for a grant from the OHHA.

Ticket Committee:

-Looking into raising ticket prices for 2024.

Human Resources:

-Staff's wages and contracts were discussed.

Motion 24-8: Jill M motioned to set employee wages as follows:

Jr. Fair Coordinator (Julie Pinter) at \$15.50/hr - \$23.25 OT/hr

Grounds Supervisor (Dave Bichel) at \$15.50/hr - \$23.25 OT/hr

Grounds Help (Ernie Bichel) at \$14.00/hr - \$21.00 OT/hr

Fair Grounds Help \$13.50/hr

Office Assistant & Help \$14.50/hr - \$21.75 OT/hr

Travis S seconded the motion with all voting yes.

Motion Passed.

Motion 24-9: Jill M motioned to set the Treasurers salary at \$5,000/year and set the Secretary's wages at \$16.50/hr with overtime at time and a half (per contract), from December 1, 2023 through November 30, 2024. Jill S seconded with 20 voting yes and 1 abstain.

Motion Passed.

Superintendent Reports

Art Hall:

-Would like to finish the art hall fair book section so that it may go online early.

Exhibition Hall:

-Nothing to report

Grandstand Galleria:

-Nothing to report

Agricultural Building:

-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:

-Working on going over rules and entries for next year.

Draft Horses:

-Nothing to report

Poultry:

-Nothing to report

Rabbits:

-Nothing to report

Sheep:

-Now has a committee and officers. They are working on cleaning up the rules for 2024.

Swines:

-Nothing to report

Gates:

-Nothing to report

Parking:

-Nothing to report

Police:

-Nothing to report

Jr Fair Horses:

-9 kids from Stark County have been recognized by the state for their achievements.

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:

-In the process of going over sponsors: see who we have remaining and for how long.

Fair Book:

-Start working on your section now.

- Art Hall would like to have their section online ASAP. Many projects take time to work on.

Golf Cart:

-Nothing to report

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

-Nothing to report

Motion 24-10: Kevin K motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jill S seconded the motion with all voting yes.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:54PM.

William Locker

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.