

**Stark County Agricultural Society
Senior Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 13, 2024**

President: Bill Locker called the meeting to order at 7:02PM.

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, Mikayala Durkin, Dan Farnham, Bryan Griffin, Kevin King,
Bill Locker, Jill McNeil, Julie Nicholas, Earl Rohn, Danny Schmucker, Travis Secrest,
Bob Shahan, Amber Shoemaker, Jill Sterling, David Stock, Russ Thorn,
Debra Tournoux, Cynthia Vickers, Sarah Yungen

Secretary: Crystal Bean

Junior Fair Coordinator: Julie Pinter

Absent: David Swartz (approved)

Guest: Tricia Durkin, Kaitlyn Arbogast (VP of Jr. Fair Board), Caitlyn Arbogast (JFB Advisor), Jay Gainey (Jr Fair Beef Committee)

- Kaitlyn Arbogast: Informed the board of the newly elected officers for Jr. Fair and went over awards that they will give out. They are hoping to increase the amount of donations for stock the trailer. Thanked the board for letting them use the Art Hall and for their help in allowing the Jr Fair to go to the OFMA Conference in January. They have a sponsorship letter ready and will be sending those out.

Secretaries Report:

-Minutes from Wednesday, February 14th's board meeting were presented.

Motion 24-40: Travis S motioned to approve the minutes from February 14, 2024 with corrections.
Deb T seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

- February's Treasurers report was presented to the board.

Motion 24-41: Kevin K motioned to approve the February's Treasurer's report as presented.
Travis S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-42: Cindi V motioned to be named sole administrator for all online banking accounts at Citizens Bank and Consumers Bank for the Stark County Ag. Society Travis Seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Office Report:

- Thanked the board for bring back Heather Wise as an assistant part-time secretary.

- Went over upcoming events and office closings.

- Notified the board of new office hours starting April 2, going back to normal operating hours of 9AM - 4PM Monday through Friday.

- Provided each superintendent of a Fairbook department that ribbon orders and book changes need to be submitted no later than April 10.

- District 5 & 9 Spring Meeting:

Motion 24-43: Danny S motioned to pay for any director and guest who would like to go to the District 5 & 9 Spring Meeting, and to allow up to \$50 to be spent on a door prize to bring. Justin D seconded with all voting yes.

- Showed the board the eclipse glasses ordered and asked if we should still charge \$5 a pair.

Motion 24-44: Kevin K motioned to rescind part of previous Motion 24:27 regarding selling eclipse glasses, and to change the amount from \$5 to \$2 a pair. Debra T seconded with all voting yes.

Jr Fair Coordinator Report:

- 4H entries are due this Friday, March 15.

Old Business:

- Tabled discussion: Jr Fair & Open Class horse stall arrangements.

- Cindi V motioned that Jr Fair Horses can share the Coliseum with the open class horses. No second was found. Motion dropped.

- Discussion tabled once again until next meeting.

New Business:

- Nothing to report.

Committee Reports

Auditing:

- Nothing to report.

Budget:

- Will be setting up a meeting soon.

Building & Grounds:

- Minutes from March's meeting were presented.

Motion 24-45: Russ T motioned to purchase 12 - 3 packs (36 total) of Midland Radios for use during fair, not to exceed \$1200. Jill S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-46: Russ T motioned to contract with OD Miller to supply and install 120 LED - 400K ballast bypass bulbs in Exhibition Hall for the quoted price of \$2,150. Kevin K seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-47: Russ T motioned to contract with ANR electric to install primary metering pole for \$10,500. Earl R seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

- Workday this coming Saturday, March 16.

- Gave updated report on 4H building.

Capital Campaign/Building Plans:

- Nothing to report.

Constitution & ByLaws:

- Nothing to report.

Junior Fair:

Motion 24-48: Jill M motioned to for Sr. Fairboard approval of all Jr. Fair livestock rules as approved by the Jr. Fair committee on Feb 28 and post on Jr Fair webpage. Ron C seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

PR & Advertising

- Meeting with Project Live

Privilege:

- Nothing to report.

Entertainment:

- Pavilion is all scheduled, office is sending out contracts.
- Press release info given to office for Eclipse.
- Met with Veterans and changes will be coming to the Veteran program on Monday. It will be a simpler program.

Speed Committee:

- Moving along. Need to get sponsor letter out.

Ticket Committee:

- Will be ordering all tickets this month.

Human Resources:

- Nothing to report.

Superintendent Reports

Art Hall:

- Nothing to report.

Exhibition Hall:

- Nothing to report.

Grandstand Galleria:

- Made contact with Elk Conservation, working out the trucking arrangements and how much space they will be using underneath the Grandstand.

Farm Bureau (Agricultural Building):

- Nothing to report.

Grange:

- Book section is being proofread.

4H Building:

- Nothing to report.

Wildlife Building:

- Nothing to report.

Outside Food & Games:

- Intent to return letters are coming in and contracts are being sent out.

Commissary:

- Nothing to report.

Jr Fair Camping:

- Will be sending out a letter informing campers of new changes for 2024. Full payment for camping is due May 24.

Motion 24-49: Kevin K motioned to amend Motion 24-19 regarding price changes and to rescind Jr Fair Camping from the motion. Cindi V seconded with all voting yes.

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:

- Will be at the fair all week.

Rabbits:

- Nothing to report.

Sheep:

- Nothing to report.

Swine

- Working on updating the changes for the Fairbook.

Motion 24-50: Kevin K motioned to hire and pay for a showmanship judge to put on a showmanship clinic for Jr Fair. Jill S seconded the motion with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Gates:

- Meeting with Dueber Church in April.

Parking

- Nothing to report.

Police:

- Working with Capt. Carver regarding Eclipse event.

Jr Fair Horses:

- Previously discussed.

Truck & Tractor Pull:

- Finalizing fairbook pages.

Background Checks:

- Nothing to report.

Landscape Enhancement:

- Nothing to report.

Rides:

- Still planning on doing Kissel Care's for 2024 Fair.

Shuttles:

- Nothing to report.

Technology:

- Need an app for group texting.

Sponsorship & Fundraising:

- Meeting with Bell Stores to discuss continuing their sponsorship (3 year agreement ended last year).

Fair Book:

- Previously discussed.

Golf Cart:

- Nothing to report.

175th Anniversary:

- Possible sponsor to do Fireworks?
- Meet with local company Fully Promoted: they will do an online store for us and offered the best pricing overall.

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

- Need to address that Keith Krumm was appointed in by the board but has not responded.

Motion 24-51: Jill S motioned to withdraw the boards appointment of Keith Krumm due to lack of interest and no communication. Justin. D seconded with all voting yes.

- Project Live's event in June will be selling alcohol.

Motion 24-52: Jill S motioned to approve Project Live to sell alcohol during the June 1st, concert include them in our beer permit application. Motioned also to submit applications for alcohol permits for the buyer's appreciation dinner and fair. Justin D seconded with all voting yes.
Motion passed.

Motion 24-53: Earl R motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jill S seconded the motion with all voting yes.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 PM.

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.