

**Stark County Agricultural Society**  
**Senior Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, March 8 , 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, Jill McNeil, Ron Neff, Julie Nicholas, Earl Rohn, Danny Schmucker, Travis Secrest, Jill Sterling, David Stock, Dave Swartz, Russ Thorn, Debra Tournoux

Secretary: Crystal Bean

Junior Fair Coordinator: Julie Pinter

Absent: George Maier, (approved), Rebecca Reed (approved), Robert Shahan, Cindi Vickers (approved)

Secretaries Report:

-Minutes from Wednesday February 8<sup>th</sup>'s Board meeting were presented.

**Motion 23-039:** Travis Secrest motioned to approve the minutes from 2/8/23 with corrections. Kevin King seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

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

**Motion 23-040:** Travis Secrest motioned to approve February's Treasurers report as presented. Jill McNeil seconded the motion with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Office Report:

- District 5 & 9 Spring Meeting: Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at The Lodge of New Russia (Oberlin, OH) 11AM Business Meeting / 12:30PM Lunch / 1PM Full Meeting \$25 per person

**Motion 23-041:** Dave Swartz motioned to approve payment up to \$350 for board members who would like to attend the Spring District Meeting. Debra Tournoux seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Jr. Fair Coordinator:

- Theme for fair is "Stark County Junior Fair Salutes the Red, White & Blue".

Old Business:

- Incident from last year's fair was discussed:

We do not have a policy that states what happens if a student violates the 4-H Code of Conduct. We need to establish that policy so going forward 4-H members know what to expect. We need a stricter policy on Golf Carts. For any future incidents we should get any police reports and meet with the families involved. Should also get a written statement from the 4-H member and any other parties involved about what happened.

**Motion 23-042:** Kevin King motioned to send a letter to the parties involved in last year's incident. This letter is to state "per new policy, they are on probation for 2023 and no further action will be taken at this time". Earl Rohn seconded the motion. A ballot vote was taken: 12 Yes, 3 No, 1 Abstain. Motion Passed.

New Business:

- Nothing to report

Committee Reports

Auditing:

- Working with Bev Fisher, OFMA, for help with Audit concerns.

Budget:

- Nothing to report.

Building & Grounds:

- Notes from the meeting were presented.

**Motion 23-043:** Kevin King motioned to approve Building and Grounds meeting notes as presented. Ron seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed

**Motion 23-044:** Bryan Griffin motioned to approve the purchase of mowing equipment up to \$35,000. Earl Rohn seconded, with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

**Motion 23-045:** Bryan Griffin motioned to approve Spotless Cleaning contract as proposed (Includes Fair but not the Grandstand). Russ Thorn seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

**Motion 23-046:** Bryan Griffin motioned to move forward with Beaver Excavating Phase 2 (Beaver to place 25,000 cubic yards of fill dirt in west parking lot. Earl Rohn seconded with 16 yes and 1 abstain. Motion Passed.

**Motion 23-047:** Bryan Griffin motion to allow the Stark County Sheriff's Department to use the Exhibition Hall at no charge for their Trunk-N-Treat on October 24, 2023. Debra Tournoux seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

**Motion 23-048:** Bryan Griffin motioned to let Destefano / Kissel's use the Art Hall on April 30 at a cost of a \$400 donation. Dan Farnham seconded the motion with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Capitol Campaign / Building Plans:

-Nothing to report

Constitution and Bylaws:

- Nothing to report

Junior Fair:

- Minutes from the Jr Fair Meeting were presented.

**Motion 23-049:** Jill McNeil motioned to remove Jesse Huddleston as signer on the Stark County Jr. Fair Auction/Promotions Checking Account at Consumers National Bank. Travis Secrest seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed

PR & Advertising:

**Motion 23-050:** Kevin King motioned to spend up to \$300 on Facebook Ads to promote sponsorship opportunities. Travis Secrest seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Privilege:

- Nothing to report.

Entertainment & Programs:

- Discussion regarding contracts for acts and for beer sponsorship.

Speed Committee:

- Nothing to report.

Ticket Committee:

**Motion 23-051:** Kevin King motioned to approve ticket pricing, fair times, general information, and updated ticket policy information for the 2023 Fair. Dan Farnham seconded the motion with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Human Resources:

- Currently looking for part time office help and grounds help for fair.

Superintendent Reports

Art Hall:

- Nothing to report.

Exhibition Hall:

- Nothing to report.

Grandstand Galleria:

- Will be meeting.

Agricultural Building:

- Nothing to report.

Grange:

- Looking into pricing for showcases.

4H Building:

-Walls need to be looked at.

Wildlife Building:

- Nothing to report.

Outside Food & Games:

- Previous vendors have until March 31 to respond. Will be looking over new vendor applications.

Commissary:

- Nothing to report.

Jr Fair Camping:

- Nothing to report.

Concession and Commercial Camping:

- Nothing to report.

Beef & Dairy Cattle:

- Nothing to report.

Goats:

-Need to finish putting pens up, will be looking for sponsors for it.

Ponies:

-Secured a judge.

Draft Horses:

-Nothing to report

Poultry:

- Nothing to report.

Rabbits:

-Nothing to report

Sheep:

-Nothing to report

Swine

-Secured a judge.

Gates:

-Nothing to report

Parking

- Nothing to report.

Police:

-Nothing to report

Jr Fair Horses:

- Nothing to report.

Truck & Tractor Pull:

- Nothing to report.

Background Checks:

- Minutes from the Feb 22 meeting were presented.

**Motion 23-052:** Jill McNeil motioned to approve the Feb 22 Background meeting minutes as presented. Debra Tournoux seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Landscape Enhancement:

- Nothing to report.

Rides:

- Will be having a Senior Day and Kids Day during the fair.

Shuttles:

-Nothing to report

Technology:

- Nothing to report.

Blue Ribbon:

- Nothing to report.

Sponsorship & Fundraising:

- Nothing to report.

Covid & Health:

-Nothing to report

Fair Book:

- Departments need to notify the office of any updates to the fairbook.

Golf Cart:

- Will be revising the policy.

-Ribbon Orders need to be turned in as soon as possible.

-Donate an auction basket for the Jr Fair Square Dance.

**Motion 23-053:** Kevin King motioned to spend up to \$100 for a gift basket for the Jr Fair Square Dance. Danny Schmucker seconded the motion with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

**Motion 23-054:** Jill Sterling motioned to adjourn meeting. Kevin King seconded the motion with all voting yes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:32 PM.

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William Locker      *Board President*

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Crystal Bean *Board Secretary*

Approved on \_\_\_\_\_