

Stark County Agricultural Society
Senior Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 10, 2024

President: Bill Locker called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM.

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,
Amber Shoemaker, Jill Sterling, David Stock, Russ Thorn, Debra Tournoux, Cindi Vickers,
Sarah Yungen

Secretary: Crystal Bean

Junior Fair Coordinator: Julie Pinter

Absent: Bob Shahan (approved), Dave Swartz

Guest: Gavin Milosevich

Secretaries Report:

-Minutes from Wednesday board meeting were presented.

Motion 24-54: Travis S motioned to approve the minutes from Wednesday, March 13, 2024, with corrections. Cindi V seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

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

Motion 24-55: Travis S motioned to approve the March's Treasurer's report as presented. Danny S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-56: Kevin K motioned to make the treasurer the sole administrator for QuickBooks. Debra T seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-57: Danny S motioned to name Cynthia V as the authorized representative for USPS. Travis S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Office Report:

- A GroupMe group for the Fair Board has been made to allow easier communication within the board.
- Storage Pick up is this month.
- Due to our eclipse event being cancelled, we decided to sell them on the day of the eclipse. Our total profit was \$3,055.53.

Jr Fair Coordinator Report:

- Swine QA is this coming Monday.
- Leaks in building (weather cap is missing)
- Hills fixed the condenser for cooler.

Old Business:

- Jr Fair & Open Class horse stall arrangements discussion.

Motion 24-58: Mikayla D motioned to move the 4H horses, (4H exhibitors and those affiliated with 4H) to the Coliseum. Those not affiliated or in 4H, will move to block barn. Travis S seconded the motion.

Discussion on the motion.

Motion amended by Mikayla D: Motion to move the 4H horse exhibitors to the Coliseum and the open class horse exhibitors to the Block barn with the mini's to take priority over tack stalls.

Ballot Vote was called:

Ron C: Yes	Justin D: Yes	Mikayla D: Yes	Dan F: Yes
Bryan G: Yes	Kevin K: Yes	Jill M: Yes	Julie N: Abstain
Earl R: Yes	Danny S: Yes	Travis S: Yes	Amber S: Yes
Jill S: No	David St: No	Russ T: No	Debra T: Yes
Cindi V: No	Sarah Y: Yes		

Ballot Vote: 13 YES / 4 NO / 1 Abstain. Motion Passed.

New Business:

- Jill S presented the Spring district 5 & 9 meeting recap. (See minutes book for sheet.)
- The board asked for the secretary to reserve 15 rooms at the Hyatt for the 2024 OFMA convention as soon as possible. The earliest date to reserve rooms for the convention is September 20th.

Motion 24-59: Ron C motioned to increase the parking budget to \$13,000 from the \$10,000 we previously paid and sign a 2-year contract with Malone for parking. Travis S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Committee Reports

Auditing:

- Nothing to report.

Budget:

- Nothing to report.

Building & Grounds:

- Minutes from April's meeting were presented.

Capital Campaign & Strategic Future Building Plans:

- Nothing to report.

Constitution & ByLaws:

- Nothing to report.

Junior Fair:

- Nothing to report.

PR & Advertising:

- We will be announcing the artists for the concerts on April 16. Tickets will go on sale April 18th.

Privilege:

- Returning vendor contracts are coming in. Looking over new vendor applications as well.

Entertainment:

- Mullet Contest: will not be an added as a class entry in the fairbook. It will have its own entry form and fee separate from fairbook entries.

Speed Committee:

- Nothing to report.

Ticket Committee:

- All tickets and passes have been ordered.

Human Resources:

- Will be discussing when to hire ground crew help.

Superintendent Reports

Art Hall:

- Nothing to report.

Exhibition Hall:

- Applications are coming in.

Grandstand Galleria:

- Working on coordination with the Elk Conservation Group.

Agricultural Building:

- Nothing to report.

Grange:

- Working on getting donations for the building.

4H Building:

- Bids for electric

Wildlife Building:

- The contract for the building has been sent.

Outside Food & Games:

- Deadline for returning vendors was March 31. We are looking over new applications.

Commissary:

- Nothing to report.

Jr Fair Camping:

- Letter and contracts went out. Had some issues with emails not being received but they have been resolved.

Concession and Commercial Camping:

- Nothing to report.

Beef Cattle:

- Nothing to report.

Dairy Cattle:

- Nothing to report.

Goats:

- Nothing to report.

Ponies:

-Discussed earlier

Draft Horses:

- Nothing to report.

Poultry:

- Nothing to report.

Rabbits:

- No changes will be made to this year's fairbook section.

Sheep:

- Nothing to report.

Swine

- Nothing to report.

Gates:

- Will be meeting with the Dueber church before the next meeting.

Parking

- Was discussed earlier

Police:

- Nothing to report.

Jr Fair Horses:

- Was discussed earlier.

Truck & Tractor Pull:

- Fairbook pages are done.

-We will be adding classes to the Saturday morning pull's. We are also bringing back street legal semi's.

Background Checks:

- Still working on getting them completed.

Landscape Enhancement:

- We will be doing all of our own mowing and trimming this year, anyone who can help please reach out to either Russ or Bryan.

Rides:

- Kissel Cares program will be coming back this year.

Shuttles:

- Nothing to report.

Technology:

- Nothing to report.

Sponsorship & Fundraising:

- We have secured a sponsor for the Title Sponsorship.

Church Services:

- Nothing to report.

Health & Safety (EMS):

- Nothing to report.

Blue Ribbon:

- We need to purchase the yearly update for Blue Ribbon.

Motion 24-60: Cindi V motioned to purchase the BlueRibbon upgrade with the online entries option and purchase 6 boxes of entry tags for a total of \$602 (not including shipping costs). Ron C seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Fair Book:

- Changes for any department need to be submitted no later than Friday, April 12.

Golf Cart:

- Have a tentative amount reserved for us.

175th Anniversary:

-Working on getting the merchandise website up and running.

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

- Secretary asked if the board would approve the purchase of new office chairs using the profit from the solar eclipse glasses.

Motion 24-61: Jill S motioned to purchase office chairs with the total not to exceed \$2000. Ron C seconded with all voting yes. Motion passed.

Motion 24-62: Travis S motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dan F seconded with all voting yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11PM.

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.