

Stark County Agricultural Society
Senior Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 8th, 2024

President: Bill Locker called the meeting to order at 7:01PM.

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, Travis Secrest, Amber Shoemaker,
Jill Sterling, David Stock, Dave Swartz, Russ Thorn, Debra Tournoux, Cindi Vickers,
Sarah Yungen

Secretary: Crystal Bean

Junior Fair Coordinator: Julie Pinter

Absent: Danny Schmucker, Bob Shahan

Guest: Heather Wise, Tricia Durkin, Gavin Milosevich

- Gavin Milosevich gave an update from the Jr Fair Board.

Secretaries Report:

-Minutes from Wednesday board meeting was presented.

Motion 24-63: Travis S motioned to approve the minutes from Wednesday, April 10, 2024, with corrections. Jill S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

-Treasurers report was presented to the board.

Motion 24-64: Travis S motioned to approve the April Treasurer's report as presented. Kevin K seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Office Report:

-Event Rentals: Future event rentals will need to put down a 10% deposit within 30 days of the event request to officially confirm their date. If a listed event does not show up, they will be charged the cleaning fee and 10% of their total rental cost.

Jr Fair Coordinator Report:

-Vitalant: Blood Drive

- Farm Credit: Stock the trailer programs.

- List of future events and requests for items in buildings.

Old Business:

- Nothing to report.

New Business:

- Nothing to report.

Committee Reports

Auditing:

- Met before meeting and went over tickets. They are ready to be sold now.

Budget:

- \$177,000 dollars short but will be receiving money from commissioners for projects.
- Buildings should be rented out.
- Budget yearly amount to date to be provided monthly, so we can know what account money is coming from and know how much is left and if it will be within budget.

Building & Grounds:

- Minutes from April 2024 meeting were presented.

Motion 24-65: Russ T motioned to allow the Building & Grounds committee to contract for projects that have been proposed to the Stark County Commissioners for improvement on the grounds. These areas are as follows: Poultry Barn, Swine Show arena, Exhibition Hall, Grange/Horticulture Hall, Art Hall, Fair Grounds exterior lighting & Fair Grounds Road paving. The requested total amount is \$179,750.00. Kevin K seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-66: Russ T motioned to contract with Lupe Koelble Ent LLC to shore up the west wall on the 4-H Building. Not to exceed \$7,450. Ron C seconded with all voting yes. Motion passed.

- Jobs for Ohio Graduates: looking for outside work for one of their students.

- BellStores sponsorship contract needs approved.

Motion 24-67: Kevin K motioned to approve the BellStores sponsorship contracts for Title Sponsor, Jr Fair & Show Arena sponsor. Ron F seconded, with all voting yes. Motion passed.

Motion 24-68: Kevin k motioned move forward with the BellStores Arena Addition. To approve the contract with Pole Barns Direct to build the addition and for Studer architects to pull the proper permits, not to exceed \$80,000 Jill S seconded with all voting yes.

Capital Campaign/Building Plans:

- Nothing to report.

Constitution & ByLaws:

- Nothing to report.

Junior Fair:

- Processors are lined up for fair.

PR & Advertising

- Nothing to report.

Privilege:

- Nothing to report.

Entertainment:

- Sponsorship for Band Show.
- Veterans Day - no parade.
- Beer Sponsorship, staying with Busch.
- Pig Costume needs updated – looking into a company out of Philadelphia, PA.

Speed Committee:

- Vet is ready to go.

Ticket Committee:

- Tickets have been audited and will be ready to sell on Friday.

Human Resources:

- Contracts signed and up to date.
- Grounds crew: have previous person ready to come back to help.

Superintendent Reports

Art Hall:

- Nothing to report.

Exhibition Hall:

- Informational Booth – New for this year 5'x 10'.
- Politicians want to move back to under Grandstand.

Grandstand Galleria:

- Working on getting it filled.

Agricultural Building (Farm Bureau):

- Hub-rail needs fixed.

Grange:

- Unhitched Brewery will be advertising to help grow the home brewers' entries.

4H Building:

- Discussed earlier.

Wildlife Building:

- Nothing to report.

Outside Food & Games:

- Nothing to report.

Commissary:

- Nothing to report.

Jr Fair Camping:

- First rows in the camping section will be for Jr Fair. Directors will be moved to the back row. (Please fill out contract with the office.)

Concession and Commercial Camping:

- Nothing to report.

Beef Cattle:

- Working on securing judges

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:

- Nothing to report.

Swine

- Nothing to report.

Gates:

- Meeting with Dueber Church - working on contract.

Parking

- Nothing to report.

Police:

- Nothing to report.

Jr Fair Horses:

- Nothing to report.

Truck & Tractor Pull:

- Nothing to report.

Background Checks:

- Have received a few to go over.

Landscape Enhancement:

- Nothing to report.

Rides:

- Good

Shuttles:

- Nothing to report.

Technology:

- Nothing to report.

Sponsorship & Fundraising:

- Barns available still to sponsor.
- Discussed earlier.

Fair Church Services:

- Many churches want to do it. Multi - denominational

Health & Safety (EMS):

- Looking into a company out of Youngstown for emergency services during fair.

BlueRibbon:

- Working on updating entries to match updates in Fair book.

Fair Book:

Motion 24-69: Russ T motioned to purchase 700 fair books. Books must be picked up from the office and are not to be mailed out. Earl R. Seconded with all voting yes.

Golf Cart:

- Nothing to report.

175th Anniversary:

- Website will be live after a few minor adjustments.

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

- Nothing

Motion 24-70: Kevin K motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dan F seconded the motion with all voting yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:23PM.

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.