

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

President: Bill Locker called the meeting to order at 7:45PM.

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,
Bob Shahan, Amber Shoemaker, Jill Sterling, David Stock, Dave Swartz, Russ Thorn,
Debra Tournoux, Sarah Yungen

Secretary: Crystal Bean

Junior Fair Coordinator: Julie Pinter

Absent: Travis Secrest (approved), Cindi Vickers (approved)

Guest: Tricia Durkin, Melinda Hall (Jr fair Auction Comm.), Annie Miller (Jr Fair Auction Comm.), Jim Wenger

- Jim Wenger brings Draft horses to fair as an exhibit. He has concerns over the 4H horses being moved into the barn that was previously used for Open Class exhibitors. The concern is that the Draft horses will not fit in the building that they have been moved to, the ceiling is lower and could limit the air flow. His family has been bringing horses for a long time and this move would stop him from bringing horses this year.

- The board thanked Mr. Wenger for bringing forth his concerns. They are willing to meet with him at a later date at the barns to see if a solution can be found. As of this meeting the board's decision stands (Motion 24-58).

Secretaries Report:

-Minutes from Wednesday, June 12th's board meeting were presented.

Motion 24-82: Jill M motioned to approve the minutes from June 12th, 2024. Ron C seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

-Due to the Treasurer's injury and subsequent absence, June's report will be presented at the next meeting.

- Motions were presented on behalf of the Treasurer for approval.

Motion 24-83: Danny S motioned to purchase a 5th card reader for the gates at the price of \$500. Justin D seconded, with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-84: Kevin K motioned to rent a card reader for the 175th Anniversary merchandise table. Danny S seconded, with all voting yes. Motion passed.

Office Report:

- The Royal Hanneford Circus was not able to get a tent permit from the city, therefore their event was cancelled.

- Updated the Board with recent Buyers' Letters received.

- The Board received a thank you card from the Dave Bichsel family.
- The Horsemen have asked for a sign to be put on the inside of their gate. ("Pull up to activate gate")
- Hall of Fame Contract:

Motion 24-85: Kevin K motioned to approve this year's contract with the Hall of Fame regarding parking for their upcoming events. The Hall of Fame will charge \$30 per car with \$10 going to Sarta for shuttle service. The Hall of Fame will take \$18,000 off the top of the remaining proceeds, and then a 50-50 split on \$20 per car between SCAS the HoF. Jill S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Jr Fair Coordinator Report:

- Briefed the Board on upcoming events.
- The kids are working hard getting their projects ready for Fair.

Old Business:

- Mobile scooter rental - tabled until next meeting.
- SCAS Hall of Fame: could we do a historical wall in a building for the public to view during Fair?

New Business:

- Nothing to report

Committee Reports

Auditing:

- Nothing to report

Budget:

- Looking good

Building & Grounds:

- Minutes from July 3rd's meeting were presented.

Motion 24-86: Russ T motioned to contract with SCA sweeping at \$195/hour to clean the grounds Tuesday, August 27 - September 1 and again on Wednesday, September 4. Not to exceed \$2,730. Jill S seconded, with all voting yes Motion Passed.

Capital Campaign/Building Plans:

- Nothing to report.

Constitution & ByLaws:

- The Board is asked to look over the current Constitution and ByLaws for any updates that it might need.

Junior Fair:

- Nothing to report.

PR & Advertising

- Yards advertisement signs

Motion 24-87: Jill S motion to purchase one hundred (100) yard signs, not to exceed \$500. Mikayla D seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Privilege:

- Good, nothing to report.

Entertainment:

- Good, nothing new to report.

Speed Committee:

- Speed office needs some fresh paint.

Motion 24-88: Earl R motioned to pay 3 associates judges for Harness Racing at \$175 per judge. Russ T seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Ticket Committee:

- Getting packets for directors and groups ready.

Human Resources:

- Looking over the Grounds Supervisor qualifications.

Superintendent Reports

Art Hall:

- New garage doors and lights have been installed.

Exhibition Hall:

- Working on getting it filled.

Grandstand Galleria:

- Coming along.

Agricultural Building (Farm Bureau):

- Work day on Sunday.

Grange:

- Nothing to report.

4H Building:

- Getting worked on this coming weekend.

Wildlife Building:

- Nothing to report.

Outside Food & Games:

- Good

Commissary:

- Please let Dave know when the commissary will need to be started up.

Jr Fair Camping:

Motion 24-89: Dan F motioned to refund Jr Fair Camper, Nathan Lautzenheiser, \$225 due to not having active children in 4H this year. Jill S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-90: Dan F motioned to charge a \$25 late fee for Jr Fair Campers who have yet to register, increasing the total price to \$275. Jill S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Concession and Commercial Camping:

- Nothing to report.

Beef Cattle:

Motion 24-91: Amber S motioned to hire one qualified judge for the Beef Department for the Open Class Haul in Show, not to exceed \$600. Jill S seconded will all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-92: Amber S motioned to hire two qualified judges for the Beef Department to judge the Junior Fair cattle shows, not to exceed \$1,170. Ron C seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

- Secured 2 small sponsors for the show.

Dairy Cattle:

Motion 24-93: Justin D motioned to hire 3 judges, not to exceed \$1,500. Earl R seconded with all voting yes. Motion passed.

Goats:

- Nothing to report.

Ponies:

- Nothing to report.

Draft Horses:

Motion 24-94: Jill S motioned to hire a judge, ring steward, clerks and announcer for the Draft Show & Go, not to exceed \$800. Mikayla D seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 24-95: Jill S motioned to sanction Draft Show and Go classes to bring in more exhibitors, not to exceed \$200. Earl R seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Poultry:

- Nothing to report.

Rabbits:

- Nothing to report.

Sheep:

Motion 24-96: Dave S motioned to hire judges, not to exceed \$750. Earl R seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Swine

- The committee is requesting an extra printer to be used for printing off show materials.

Gates:

-Nothing to report.

Parking

- Nothing to report.

Police:

- Meeting with the Sheriff's Department this week.

Jr Fair Horses:

- Discussed earlier.

Truck & Tractor Pull:

- Nothing to report.

Background Checks:

- Need to do an audit.

Landscape Enhancement:

- The board thanked Russ for his work on making the grounds look good.

Rides:

- Nothing to report.

Shuttles:

- Nothing to report.

Technology:

- A motion was presented on behalf of the superintendent for approval.

Motion 24-97: Danny S motioned to purchase and install additional Wi-Fi access points for the Grandstands at the price of \$2,290 from LightSpeed Technologies. Debra T seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Sponsorship & Fundraising:

- Still working on securing more sponsors. Invoices and contracts have been sent to current sponsors.

Church:

- Nothing to report.

Health & Safety (EMS):

Motion 24-98: Russ T motioned to pay Safety Resources Company of Ohio \$1,118.50 for servicing 28 fire extinguishers, inspection of 77 fire extinguishers and purchasing 2 -20lb ABC extinguishers. Bryan G seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

BlueRibbon:

- Entries are now live online.

Fair Book:

- Are now in!

Golf Cart:

- Jr Fair lines need to be brighter.

175th Anniversary:

- Nothing to report.

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

- Trifolds: will work on getting those updated.
- SCAS Hall of Fame committee presented updated submission forms.

Motion 24-99: Kevin K motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jill S seconded the motion.
The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 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.