

Stark County Agricultural Society
Senior Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 22, 2026

President: Jill Sterling called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Everyone stood for the pledge and the prayer led by Jill Sterling.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

Justin Durkin, Dan Farnham, Bryan Griffin, Kevin King, Bill Locker, Daniel McCracken,
Jill McNeil, Julie Nicholas, Earl Rohn, Ashley Royer, Danny Schmucker, Amber Shoemaker,
Travis Secrest, Jill Sterling, David Stock, Dave Swartz, Russ Thorn, Cindi Vickers,
Sarah Yungen

Secretary: Crystal Bean

Junior Fair Coordinator: Julie Pinter

Absent: Mikayla Durkin, Drew Kissel,

Guest: Bill Smith, Tyler Parker

Office Report:

- Office hours for fair
- Comp request for tickets need to be turned in by August 17.
- Board Meeting time for fair: Tuesday through Sunday 3PM, Monday at 7PM

Treasurer's Report:

- Check request forms explanation

Jr Fair Coordinator Report:

- Skillathon is coming up
- Royalty interviews
- Advisory meeting

New Business:

Motion 26-140: Cindi V motioned to contract with Tab's Pest Control Services for pest treatment during the 2026 Stark County Fair, not to exceed \$4,205.00. Travis S seconded the motion, with all directors present voting yes.

-Bill Smith (Stark County Commissioner) talked about using a "Go Program" to send out surveys to those who had previously dealings with the fair. The survey would include questions like "What would you like to see done to the grounds to improve it?" Their idea is to use these surveys to help reimagine the fair grounds.

Motion 26-141: Bill L motioned to approve using Go Grow (Strategic Results) to move forward with the survey, not to exceed \$15,500. Funds will be used from the Water Line Replacement Project. Danny S seconded with all directors present voting yes. Motion Passed.

Committee Reports

Building & Grounds:

- Infield water line project is underway.
- Broken water hydrants were fixed.

Motion 26-142: Russ T motioned for a change order for work being done on Horse Barn #1, Motion to accept change order to replace 12" of existing barn siding on 2 sides and rear of barn and remove bottom two rows of existing rotted skirt boards, add treated 2x4 scab on intermediate support posts, install 2 rows of 2x8 treated skirt boards covered by CDX plywood where siding was removed. The change order amount from Yoder Quality Construction is \$4,680.00. Bill L seconded the motion with all directors present voting yes. Motion Passed.

Junior Fair:

Motion 26-143: Jill M motioned to use the rules that were posted in January about changes to outside fitters. All applications must be turned in to the Sr Fair Board office. Julie N seconded the motion, with all directors present voting yes. Motion Passed.

Entertainment:

Motion 26-144: Kevin K motioned to order 10,000 trifolds, not to exceed \$2,000. Dan F seconded with all directors present voting yes. Motioned passed.

Motion 26-145: Travis S motioned to hire two Public Announcers (Daniel Givens & Alaynah Kendrick) for the week of the fair at \$15/hr. Cindi V seconded the motion with all directors present voting yes. Motion Passed.

Superintendent Reports

4H Building:

- Needs paint and supplies for upcoming cleaning day.

Junior Fair Camping:

Motion 26-146: Sarah motioned to rescind Motion 26-136, Bill L seconded. All directors present voted yes, Motion Passed.

Dairy Cattle:

Motion 26-147: Justin D motioned to hire 3 dairy cattle judges, not to exceed \$1,500. Earl R seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Sponsorship & Fundraising:

Motion 26-148: Travis motioned to have Kingsway Signs provide banners and signs for sponsors, not to exceed \$8,000. Danny S seconded the motion with 18 directors voting yes and 1 abstain (Kevin King). Motion Passed.

Motion 26-149: Dan F motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dave Sw seconded the motion with all directors present voting yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06PM.

Jill E Sterling *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 2026 Minutes book located at the fairground's office.