

Stark County Agricultural Society
Senior Board Meeting
Wednesday, October 8, 2025

President: Jill Sterling called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

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

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

Ron Chambers, Justin Durkin, Mikayla Durkin, Dan Farnham, Bryan Griffin,
Kevin King, Bill Locker, Jill McNeil, Julie Nicholas, Earl Rohn, Danny Schmucker,
Amber Shoemaker, Jill Sterling, David Stock, Russ Thorn, Cindi Vickers, Sarah Yungen

Secretary: Crystal Bean

Junior Fair Coordinator: Julie Pinter

Absent: Drew Kissel, Travis Secrest, Debra Tournoux

Guest:

- Mark Zimmerman, Dan & Alicia McCracken, Lesyle Downerd

Secretaries Report:

-Minutes from Sunday, August 31, 2025 Fair Week board meeting were presented.

Motion 25-162: Bill L motioned to approve board minutes from Sunday, August 31, 2025. Cindi V seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

-Minutes from Monday, September 1, 2025 Fair Week board meeting were presented.

Motion 25-163: Kevin K motioned to approve board minutes from Monday, September 1, 2025. Dan F seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

-Minutes from Wednesday, September 10, 2025 board meeting were presented.

Motion 25-164: Bill L motioned to approve board minutes from Wednesday, September 10, 2025. Julie N seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

- Septembers Treasurers report was presented to the board.

Motion 25-165: Bill L motioned to approve the Septembers Treasurers report as presented. Ron C seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 25-166: Bill L motioned to approve the checks for the month of August. Russ T seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 25-167: Bill L motioned to approve the checks for the month of September. Kevin K seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 25-168: Bill L motioned to move \$10,713.01 (Beer Fair Sales) to the KeyBank savings account. A \$6 check fee is to be withheld for a total of \$10,707.01. Dan F seconded the motion with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Office Report:

- The confirmed candidates for the Annual Election were presented to be put on the ballot.

Motion 25-169: Bill L motioned to approve the making of the ballots for the election. Dan F seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

-The election clerks and judges are to be: Bill Locker, Kevin King, Julie Nicholas, Leslye Downerd and Crystal Bean.

- The Re-Org meeting will be Saturday, Nov 8th at 8:30am.

Jr Fair Coordinator Report:

- Volunteer Banquet

Old Business:

- Discussion on putting a description for a Fair Manager is tabled until December meeting
- OFMA auction basket item: Each director was asked to bring something for the basket that represents their township or the county.
- Outstanding Fair Supporter: Kiko Auctioneers

New Business:

- Board Compensation Cindi / Bill

Motion 25-170: Cindi V motioned to pay current allowable compensation, which is \$40 per meeting, meals at \$15/day for 7 days, and mileage at the going rate. Bill L seconded and a roll call vote was taken.

Ron C - YES	Justin D - YES	Mikayla D - YES	Dan F - YES
Bryan G - YES	Kevin K - NO	Bill L - YES	Jill M - YES
Julie N - YES	Earl R - YES	Danny S - YES	Amber S - YES
Dave S - YES	Russ T - YES	Cindi V - YES	Sarah Y - YES

15 - YES and 1 - NO. Motion Passed

Committee Reports

Auditing:

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Budget:

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Building & Grounds:

- Minutes from Oct, 1, 2025 meeting were presented.

Capital Campaign/Building Plans:

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Constitution & ByLaws:

Motion 25-171: Bill L motioned that board room use will only be permitted for Farm Bureau and the 1849 Society related to SCAS business use only. There must be one current SCAS director present during the entire meeting. The lead representative will notify the office at least 72 hours prior to needing the room to confirm availability. Cindi V seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Junior Fair:

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PR & Advertising

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Privilege:

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Entertainment:

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Speed Committee:

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Ticket Committee:

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Human Resources:

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Superintendent Reports

Art Hall:

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Exhibition Hall:

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Grandstand Galleria:

Agricultural Building (Farm Bureau):

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Grange:

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4H Building:

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Wildlife Building:

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Outside Food & Games:

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Commissary:

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Jr Fair Camping:

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Concession and Commercial Camping:

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Beef Cattle:

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Dairy Cattle:

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Goats:

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Ponies:

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Draft Horses:

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Poultry:

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Rabbits:

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Sheep:

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Swine

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Gates:

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Parking

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Police:

- Our budget for next year should be \$95,000 - \$

Jr Fair Horses:

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Truck & Tractor Pull:

Motion 25-172: Danny S motioned to pay \$1,000.00 to WPI as a date deposit for Sept. 4-5, 2026. Money will go towards the 2026 event. Kevin K seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Background Checks:

- Minutes from Oct 1, 2025 meeting were presented.

Motion 25-173: Bill L motioned that it will be required by the Stark County Agricultural Society that board directors, volunteers, office staff and committee members be **approved** OSU extension **Program Volunteers** as of December 31, 2025. Those who are not completed by such date will not be listed on any rules or reports representing the society. No exceptions will be permitted going forward regardless of hours performing duties for the Ag. Society. Any candidate that does not pass the background check will be considered unqualified to serve at any level in the society. Justin D seconded the motion.

Motion amended: *Applications must be submitted by Dec 31, 2025. to replace as of December 31, 2025.*

All directors in attendance voted yes. Motion Passed.

Landscape Enhancement:

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Rides:

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Shuttles:

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Technology:

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Sponsorship & Fundraising:

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Church:

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Health & Safety (EMS):

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BlueRibbon:

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Fair Book:

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Golf Cart:

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SCAS Hall of Fame:

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

Motion 25-174: Danny S motioned to enter into Executive Session for the purchase of property for public purposes. Dan F seconded and a roll call vote was taken.

Ron C - YES	Justin D - YES	Mikayla D - YES	Dan F - YES
Bryan G - YES	Kevin K - NO	Bill L - YES	Jill M - YES
Julie N - YES	Earl R - YES	Danny S - YES	Amber S - YES
Dave S - YES	Russ T - YES	Cindi V - YES	Sarah Y - YES

16 - YES, Motion Passed.

Executive session ended with a motion to follow.

Motion 25-175: Danny S motioned that the executive committee is to meet with the society's attorney for legal advice and help regarding the matter discussed in executive session. With the attorneys help they will decide what action to take. Dan F seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Motion 25-176: Ron C motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dan F seconded the motion with all voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:58PM.

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 2025 Minutes book located at the fairground's office.