

Stark County Agricultural Society  
Senior Board Meeting  
August 9th, 2023

President: Bill Locker called the meeting to order at 7:00 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, Dan Farnham, Bryan Griffin, Kevin King, Bill Locker, George Maier,  
Jill McNeil, Julie Nicholas, Rebecca Reed, Earl Rohn, Jill Sterling, David Stock, Dave Swartz, Russ Thorn,  
Debra Tournoux, Cindi Vickers, Danny Schmucker, Robert Shahan

Secretary: Crystal Bean

Junior Fair Coordinator: Julie Pinter

Absent: Ron Neff (approved), Travis Secrest (approved)

Guests: Staci Miller (Dairy & Market Goat Committee)

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**Motion 23-158:** Cinidi V motioned to suspend regular meeting for guest. Dave Swartz seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

- Staci Miller from the Dairy & Goat Committee: Committee has been working hard to get pens paid for but they have seen an increase in goat projects this year and will need more room. They are asking if the Sr Fair Board will pay the left-over amount for the pens.

-The Board thanked Staci for coming and will discuss this later in the meeting.

**Motion 23-159:** Danny S motioned to return to regular meeting. David Stock seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

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Secretaries Report:

-Minutes from Wednesday July 26<sup>th</sup>'s board meeting was presented.

**Motion 23-160:** Kevin King motioned to approve the minutes from 7/26/23 with corrections.  
Robert Shahan seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

- The Treasurer's report from July was presented.

**Motion 23-161:** Kevin K motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Dan F seconded with all voting yes.

- 5013C status has been approved.

- Hall of Fame parking recap: 2,923 cars / After deductions our share from parking is: \$19,730.00

Office Report:

- Name Badges are in.

Jr Fair Coordinator Report:

- Going good, we will need a tent at the Beef barn again.

Old Business:

**Motion 23-162:** Cindi V motioned to pay \$100 per grounds employee as a bonus for working all shifts as scheduled during August 29 – September 4. Jill M seconded with all voting yes.  
Motion Passed.

New Business:

**Motion 23-163:** Danny S motioned to pay the balance remaining for the purchase of pens needed for the Goat Barn. Not to exceed \$6,163.78. Kevin K seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Committee Reports

Auditing:

- Nothing to report.

Budget:

- Nothing to report.

Building & Grounds:

- Waterline Project update.
- Building & Grounds will be meeting this Wednesday, August 16.

Capitol Campaign / Building Plans:

- Nothing to report

Constitution and Bylaws:

- Nothing to report

Entertainment & Programs:

**Motion 23-164:** Jill Sterling motioned to give a donation of \$500 to Steve Tooney (Operation Flags of Freedom). Kevin K seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

- Meeting with Canton Repository for a write-up of the fair.

Human Resources:

- Discussed under Old Business.

Junior Fair:

- Will be going over the 8 scholarship applications and picking 2 winners.

PR & Advertising:

- Nothing to Report

Privilege:

- Concessioners need the food vouchers explained, some did not take them last year. (A voided example of a food voucher will be put in their packets.)

Speed Committee:

- Will be needing 3 picnic tables at the Speed Office.

Ticket Committee:

- Good, already selling memberships, youth & exhibitor passes along with presale tickets

Superintendent Reports

4H Building:

- Nothing to report.

Agricultural Building (Farm Bureau):

-Good, it is full.

Art Hall:

- This Wednesday and Thursday (8/16 & 8/17) is drop off for entries.

Background Checks:

- Nothing to report.

Beef Cattle:

**Motion 23-165:** Danny S motioned to pay judges for Open Class Beef, not to exceed \$750. Ron C seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Commissary:

- Nothing to report

Concession and Commercial Camping:

- Good

Dairy Cattle:

- Nothing to report.

Draft Horses:

**Motion 23-166:** Earl R motioned to pay table help for the Draft Horse Show, not to exceed \$80. Cindi V seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Exhibition Hall:

- Looks good and is filling up. Have a good mix of vendors and informational booths.

Fairbook:

-Nothing to report.

Gates:

- Looking for 2 more people to work the gates.

Goats:

**Motion 23-167:** Jill M motioned to approve the following judges for Jr Fair & Open Class: Goat Judges \$1,000.00 / Sheep Judges \$800.00 / Poultry Judges \$800.00 / Carcass Judges \$1,200.00. In total not to exceed \$3,800.00. Kevin K seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Golf Cart:

- Order is in.

Grandstand Galleria:

- Coming along. We will be putting sponsors under there to set up booths.

Grange:

- We have 2 granges coming to set up displays.

Jr Fair Camping:

- August 15<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for final payment.

Jr Fair Horses:

- Look into putting outlet on the poles where the outside "arena" is.

Landscape Enhancement:

- Thank you to Cindy Pettiti-Walton & Envirosapes for their donations to help with the landscape.

Outside Food & Games:

- Good, we are full.

Parking

- Nothing to report

Police:

- Nothing to report.

Ponies:

- Good.

Poultry:

- Good, we will have a good display of different breeds.

Rabbits:

- Good

Rides:

- The contract with Kissel goes up this year.
- Kissel Cares headcount is 108 kids.

Sheep:

- We have some Alpacas coming.

Shuttles:

- Nothing to report.

Sponsorship & Fundraising:

- Nothing to report.

Swine:

-Nothing to report.

Technology:

**Motion 23-168:** Cindi V motioned to increase the amount of upgrading and moving the switch for the Grandstand by \$1,000.00 The total amount not to exceed \$3,500.00. Jill S seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed. (Refer to Motion 23-145)

Truck & Tractor Pull:

**Motion 23-169:** Danny S motioned to spend up to \$250 to advertise our events on social media. Justin D seconded with all voting yes. Motion Passed.

Wildlife Building:

- Good

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

-Nothing

**Motion 23-170:** Jill Sterling motioned to adjourn the meeting. Cindi Vickers seconded the motion with all voting yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.

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William Locker *Board President*

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Crystal Bean

*Board Secretary*

Approved on \_\_\_\_\_

\* The meeting agenda, contracts, meeting reports, and paperwork presented at this board meeting can be found within the 2023 Minutes book located at the fairground's office.