

The regular meeting of the Ross County Agricultural Society Board of Directors was conducted Monday, April 3, 2017 at the Ross County Fairgrounds, 344 Fairgrounds Road, Chillicothe, Ohio.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President Bradford Cosenza.

Roll call revealed Hill, Prater absent. All others present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Guests – Scott Chenault, Karen Chenault, Rylee Putnam, Grace Jones, Brent Wing, Chris Hooks, Katie Feldhues

4-1-17: Corcoran moved, Duncan seconded to allow the Christian Motorcyclist Association to pray over the grounds before the Easyrider Rodeo. Motion carried.

Clever moved, Bethel seconded to approve the minutes of March 6 & 18, 2017. Motion carried.

Bethel moved, McNeal seconded to approve the March 2017 Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

4-2-17: Corcoran moved, Hurtt seconded to pay the following bills. Motion carried.

4-H Report – Enrollment in 4-H for 2017 is at 1739.
Sally Bluck is in and out of schools promoting 4-H.
Animal projects are down overall due to animals costing more, feed costing more, skillathon and more children participating in sports.
Jr. Fair – Some teens attended the National Youth Service Learning Conference.
The Extension office will have a summer intern. A fair kick off event is planned.

President's Report

The details of the electronic sign are still being worked out. Waiting to hear back about the clearance below the electric lines.
Notified Swap Days we need their contract, current insurance and window passes.

Secretary's Report

Currently taking tent requests, sign requests, information for the weekly schedule.
Met with Pepsi about sponsorship possibilities.

4-3-17: Corcoran moved, McNeal seconded to dispose of the old, splintered wooden benches that were donated by individuals. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Buildings – McCorkle is contacting Neil Miller with 40 & 8.

The vegetable/flower building is in need of repairs and air conditioning.

Fair Book – pages, corrections, additions are due now.

Utilities – The sound system repairs are going well. Sounds good on grounds.

4-4-17: Clary moved, Chrisman seconded to accept the Navy Petty Officers quote during the fair for:

\$2200.00 to furnish workers at the grandstand;

\$1425.00 to sell pit passes at the back gate and tunnel gate and sell admission tickets on Tuesday, Jr. Fair Night;

\$8000.00 to sell admission tickets, receive admission tickets, and to distribute schedules of events at four admission gates;

\$3200.00 to mark parking lot #1 for organized parking, direct vehicles to parking spots, and control traffic in parking lots;

\$4290.00 for additional personnel at admission gates, pit pass sales and south grandstand and including coverage at the track gate.

We also will provide the Navy Petty Officers with 4 golf carts (2 passenger carts and 2 utility carts) and 6 portable hand held two-way radios.

Motion carried.

4-5-17: Bethel moved, Whitten seconded to sponsor the Ross County Boer Goat Summer Showdown on July 1, 2017. Motion carried.

4-6-17: Clary moved, Haubeil seconded to hire Jeremy Forcum as the sole vendor for water line installation. Motion carried.

4-7-17: Bethel moved, Hurtt seconded to add 25 more vendor campsites at a cost of \$30,000.00. Motion carried.

A slogan for the 2017 fair was chosen from ten 4-H Club entries.

“Come be a part of a Country Dream at the Ross County Fair 2017” was submitted by the Frankfort Merry Workers 4-H Club.

Meet & Greet for the Jeep Fest on March 25th was very successful. A 3-minute video was made.

Jay Clements with Triple Treat Shows, Inc. will be on the grounds Friday, April 7th to look over the old campgrounds for ride placement.

The Sale Committee will buy 172 cubic yards of dry cedar mulch for the show arena @ \$18.50 per cubic yard for a total of \$3182.00. Clary Trucking will deliver at no cost. Jeremy Forcum will remove the old mulch from the show arena at no cost and move it to the motocross track.

Kevin Beery with Beck's Seeds wants to put a display on the grounds during the fair.

The 100-year celebration of Camp Sherman will be held in July 2017.

4-8-17: Clever moved, Chain seconded to adjourn at 8:46 p.m.
Motion carried.

WITNESSED BY:

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED:

BRADFORD M. COSENZA
PRESIDENT RCAS

CYNTHIA D. UHRIG
SECRETARY