

The special meeting (10 days after the fair) of the Ross County Agricultural Society Board of Directors was conducted Monday, August 21, 2017 at the Ross County Fairgrounds, 344 Fairgrounds Road, Chillicothe, Ohio.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Bradford Cosenza.

Roll call revealed Clever and Whitten absent. All others present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Guests – Joy Carver representing Calf Scramble Committee, Tristan Carter representing the Swine Barn, Melody Walters, Jean Winters, Dan Winters, Chris Hooks, Shaun Boggs, Karlton Wheeler, Dannielle Amole, Katie Feldhues

Calf Scramble participants did not receive ribbons this year. Keith Chain will be the contact next year. The committee will send a reminder to confirm ribbons and awards are available. Katie Feldhues confirmed ribbons were provided this year.

Treasurer's Comments

Balance in account - \$467,126.21.

Daily attendance through the gates was up 465. Purchase of weekly wristbands was up 200.

S8-1-17: Corcoran moved, Bethel seconded to approve the July 2017 Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

4-H Report/Jr. Fair report

Jr. Fair went well for the fair. Every species needs addressed with either rules or personnel. The new schedule worked out well. There are open positions for superintendents. The next superintendent meeting will be September 26 at 6:00 p.m. at the Service Center.

Tristan Carter reported that the Facebook page for the swine barn is suspended. Katie Feldhues will put together a disclaimer that will be placed on specie pages saying the pages are not a product of the Ross County Agricultural Society and Junior Fair board.

Jr. Fair Sales Committee

Jean Winters reported the sale brought in over \$800,000.00 this year. They had 114 new buyers. Credit card payments totaled over \$15,000.00. Over 14,000 transactions were put into the computer on Saturday, August 12.

The invoices are in the mail.

Chris Hooks will talk with the auctioneer next year to announce the procedure of the sale regarding add-ons for the animals sold.

Caretaker Report

The skid steer needs serviced. Bobcat will be contacted for an estimate.

McNeal will look into buying a used truck for the fairgrounds.
Some new wooden barricades are needed for the grounds.

S8-2-17: Prater moved, Gearhart seconded to spend up to \$600.00 on a new paint sprayer and attachments. Motion carried.

S8-3-17: Haubeil moved, McCorkle seconded to buy 60 new locks and a portable air tank. Motion carried.

S8-4-17: McCorkle moved, Prater seconded to give Karlton Wheeler a \$500.00 bonus for working the fair. Motion carried.

S8-5-17: Corcoran moved, Clary seconded to have Jeremy Forcum replace the 3 water hydrants that are leaking in camping row S1-89. Motion carried.

New hand dryers are needed for the restrooms. Four new baby changing tables are needed for the restrooms. Lowe's is interested in sponsorship opportunities.

Camping

Hurtt reported that 100 people are on the moving list and 150 are on the waiting list for next year.

S8-6-17: Hill moved, Haubeil, Jr. seconded to go into Executive session at 8:44 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. Katie Feldhues and Chris Hooks were invited to attend. Motion carried.

S8-7-17: Haubeil moved, McCorkle seconded to come out of Executive session at 9:06 p.m. Motion carried.

S8-8-17: Prater moved, Haubeil seconded to go into regular session at 9:06 p.m. Motion carried.

S8-9-17: Hurtt moved, Chrisman seconded to eliminate the barn superintendent position in the rabbit and poultry barn. Motion carried.

S8-10-17: Hill moved, Bethel seconded to give Lorri Stewart a plaque. Motion failed.

S8-11-17: Hill moved, Corcoran seconded to adjourn at 9:42 p.m. Motion carried.

WITNESSED BY:

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED:

BRADFORD M. COSENZA
PRESIDENT RCAS

CYNTHIA D. UHRIG
SECRETARY