

The regular meeting of the Ross County Agricultural Society Board of Directors was conducted Monday February 4, 2019 at the Ross County Fairgrounds 344 Fairgrounds Road, Chillicothe, Ohio.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Bryan Bethel.

Roll call revealed that McCorkle and Prater were absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bryan Bethel.

Guests – Karlton Wheeler, William Hopkins, Kathy Young, Angie Lochbaum, Chris Hooks, Terri Cory, Dan Riddle, Katie Feldhues, Johnathon Cokonougher and Anna Ackley.

Haubeil Jr. reported on Etix verses 168tickets. Etix can't add multiple items with one transaction fee. Etix say that they can fix most of the problems that occurred last year. 168tickets say that they can do what we have asked. Transaction fees need adjusted on either company. Whichever company that will be used communication with all departments of the fair is a must. Haubeil Jr. recommends that will use 168tickets.

2-1-19: Clary moved, Haubeil Jr. seconded to sign a contract with 168tickets for one year. Motion carried. Three opposed.

Haubeil Jr. left at 7:30 p.m.

Guests

Terri Cory representing The Ross County Farm Bureau wants to hold an Agricultural Career Fair on November 25, 2019 at the fairgrounds using two buildings, hopefully at a reduced rental cost. The board will be back in touch with Ms. Cory.

Jr. Fair Report

Angie Lochbaum thanked the Senior Fair Board for sponsoring the Advisor Banquet, they used The Poor House for catering.

Johnathon Cokonougher explained the process of a new event during Jr. Fair Night, The Round Bale Roll. It will follow the Outhouse Race.

Anna Ackley reported that the 4-H Booths are being redesigned.

Katie Feldhues reported that the first practice for the Livestock Judging will be in March.

Every species will have their own web page this year.

Market vouchers will be handled differently this year.

Mental health training will be mandatory for advisors and teen advisors, and anyone else that would like to attend can do so. The training will be to help spotting and dealing with children with suicidal thoughts.

2-2-19: Hill moved, Clever seconded to approve the January 7, 2019 minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

2-3-19: Clever moved, Free seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

2-4-19: Chrisman moved, Pickerrell seconded to approve the payment of the monthly bills. Motion carried.

2-5-19: Nelson moved, Hill seconded to approve payment of extra parking at the OFMA Convention. Motion carried.

2-6-19: Hurtt moved, Boggs seconded to adjust payroll period to Saturday thru Sunday. Motion carried.

2-7-19: Haubeil moved, Corcoran seconded to approve renewal of software for office computers. Motion carried.

2-8-19: Boggs moved, Free seconded to hire Whited Seigneur Sams & Rahe Certified Public Accountants to prepare the 990-tax form. Motion carried.

President's Report

There will be a Monster Truck event renting the fairgrounds in June 2019.

Sports Car Club of America will be having three national events at the fairgrounds this year.

2-9-19: Clary moved, Hill seconded to charge Chillicothe Trader Day's \$9,000.00 for the first event only and there after \$10,000.00 per event. Motion carried.

2-10-19: Uhrig moved, Boggs seconded to allow The Ross County Soil and Water to use the gravel area behind the race track for free on June 3, 2019 for their milkweed plug sale. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report

RCAS membership tickets are now on sale. The Director's pictures will be taken at the March 4, 2019 meeting, everyone should wear their red shirts.

Caretaker's Report

The fair office has been painted. The water leak in the JVS Building has been repaired, it will have to be painted. The sink in the bathroom at the Grandstand is being repaired. It was damaged during the Easyrider Rodeo.

Committee Reports

Uhrig has loaded the electronic sign thru May. Wilson Sign Company needs to be called to correct the time-temp-date display.

The website needs to be updated.

The Ladies Auxiliary has judge's books. All judge's books need to be kept for auditing purposes.

Printex can print the fair book. It will be in black and white at the cost of \$2.30 per book. A publisher is still being looked for.

2-11-19: Clary moved, Nelson seconded to buy back any permanent food booths for \$5,000.00. motion carried.

Clever reported that the water upgrade is over budget. To finish the electrical upgrade another \$8,000.00 is needed, but there will be approximately \$6,000.00 of returned materials to offset this amount.

2-12-19: Hill moved, Chrisman seconded to approve an increase to the budget on the electric and water upgrades by \$30,000.00. Motion carried.

2-13-19: Clary moved, Whitten seconded to use True Quality at \$2,322.00 for spraying the fairgrounds. Motion carried.

Contract Service quotes will be decided at the March meeting.

Haubeil reported that the bucket truck needs recertified this year.

Veterans Helping Veterans are wanting to use the Bandstand Area on July 13, 2019.

Free bought old pictures of the fair to share with the Board.

2-14-19: Boggs moved, Hill seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m.
Motion carried.

WITNESS BY:

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED BY:

BRYAN BETHEL
PRESIDENT RCAS

MARY LUDWICK
SECRETARY RCAS