

The regular meeting of the Ross County Agricultural Society Board of Directors was conducted February 7, 2022, at the Ross County Fairgrounds, 344 Fairgrounds Road, Chillicothe, Ohio.

The meeting was called to order by President Brad Cosenza at 6:02 pm.

Roll Call revealed that Bethel, Boggs, Gray, and Hill were absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Cosenza.

Guests – Chris Hooks, Katie Wells, Ryan Kline, Shianna Roll, Kailee Adkins, Sadra Swepston, Brad Putnam, and Heath Colburn.

Colburn has requested an appeal with Ohio Department of Agriculture concerning the testing of his daughter's swine project during the 2021 Ross County Fair. The RCAS will not decide on this matter until the appeal process has been complete.

Larry Zonner spoke on behalf of the Jackson County Steer & Heifer Club concerning their request to have their Steer & Heifer Show on October 2, 2022, the day after the Ross County Steer & Heifer Classic Show. Jackson County has a small budget and are asking for consideration of a lower rental price.

2-1-22: Whitten moved, Chrisman seconded to charge \$500.00 plus insurance and cleanup to Jackson County Steer & Heifer Club for Show on October 2, 2022. Motion carried.

Wells is conducting 4-H enrollment and training. There is a new 4-H app that should make everything easier. She asked for approval of the individual pictures of 4-H seniors that would be sold for \$5.00 each and then would be hung in the barns for this year.

2-2-22: Free moved, Whitten seconded to approve the selling and placing 4-H senior's pictures in the barns. Motion carried.

Ryan Kline introduced himself, he is the new 4-H Educator.

Members of the Jr Fair Board, Kailee Adkins, Shianna Roll, and Sadra Swepston reported that they are working on the 4-H rules and new programs and wanted to thank the Sr. Fair Board for providing their lunches at the OFMA Convention.

2-3-22: Clever moved, Haubeil seconded to approve the January 11, 2022, Minutes. Motion carried.

2-4-22: Corcoran moved, McCorkle seconded to approve the Treasurer Report. Motion carried.

2-5-22: McCorkle moved, Prater seconded to approve the payment of January 12-31, 2022, bills totaling \$13,902.35 and February 1-7, 2022, bills totaling \$16,514.25. Motion carried.

Bethel arrived at 6:28 pm.

2-6-22: Clifton moved, Free seconded to sign a one-year contract with the Champion Electric Company at the rate of \$0.0734 per kilo watt hour. Motion carried.

N. Clary would like clarification printed in the fair book on the amount of money that is paid to groups setting up displays at the fair, school, FCLA, FFA, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts.

The new Director's shirts are ready for pickup. Director bios were handed out to update the website. The Conflict-of-Interest forms were handed out to be completed. Membership tickets are on sale.

Cosenza received an email from Steve Davis expressing his interest in the Lions permanent food booth if they sell it back to the RCAS. A discussion on how to charge Davis and Bell Farms was held.

2-7-22: Whitten moved, Haubeil seconded to approve to sign the contract with Dr. Davis for \$4,500.00 covering the dates of August 6 – 13, 2022, for the on-call veterinary during the fair. Motion carried.

2-8-22: Bethel moved, McCorkle seconded to accept the Ross County Fairgrounds Emergency Response Plan as written. Motion carried.

Ken Wheeler with the Generals Baseball & Softball Club will not be holding their bingo at the fairgrounds, there was a problem with the bingo boards.

Clary reported that the Grandstand schedule for fair week is complete.

Hill has the following acts booked during the week.

Dog Show, World of Wonders, Blacksmith, John Cooper is Abraham Lincoln, Rufus the Dufus, B & B Magic & Balloons, John Louis The Ministry. Band Stand Highlights, Wednesday, Lori Comedy, Thursday Jess Kellie Adams, Friday The Blue Leaf's.

2-9-22: Bethel moved, Prater seconded to approve Hill's proposed events for the fair. Motion carried.

Clary's Grandstand schedule for the fair is as follows.

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday am - Antique Tractor Pulls and pm - Modified Tractor & Diesel Pull

Sunday Harness Racing and Queen & King Contest

Monday Concert - Murphy

Tuesday - Jr. Fair Night

Wednesday - Motocross

Thursday - Autocross

Friday - Autocross

Saturday - Demo Derby

2-10-22: Clever moved, Clifton seconded to approve Clary's proposed events for the Grandstand. Motion carried.

2-11-22: Prater moved, Bethel seconded to charge the Forest Rally \$200.00 for the use of Area #1 parking lot June 7-10, 2022, to stage trailers and park cars overnight. Motion carried.

2-12-22: Haubeil Jr. moved, Chrisman seconded to approve the prices for Jeep Fest, \$30.00 per day camping, \$30.00 weekend pass, \$20.00 Saturday & Sunday

pass, \$10.00 daily pass, \$25.00 for obstacle course, the Saturday concert will be Jimmy Mowery. Motion carried.

Nelson is working with campstop.com setting up the system, contracts will be mailed out to campers this year.

2-13-22: Haubeil moved, Elliott seconded to approve \$2,800.00 to update water connections at the motocross track. Motion carried.

Free reported that she has the daily sponsors for the fair. She has not found a pickup for Wheeler.

Pickerrell met with the sponsors for the Horse Barn construction. Sunrush has the plans for the Horse Barn and will be giving a rough estimate.

Haubeil Jr reported that the Halloween campout will be October 22-23, 2022.

2-14-22: Bethel moved, Prater seconded to purchase the pictures for the Senior 4-H members at the cost of \$5.00 per picture. Motion carried.

2-15-22: Haubeil moved, Chain seconded to purchase a new computer for Wheeler's use. Motion carried.

2-16-22: Nelson moved, Clever seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 pm. Motion carried.

WITNESSED BY:

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED BY:

BRADFORD COSENZA  
RCAS PRESIDENT

MARY LUDWICK  
RCAS SECRETARY

