

The regular meeting of the Ross County Agricultural Society Board of Directors was conducted Monday, November 2, 2015 at the Ross County Fairgrounds, 344 Fairgrounds Road, Chillicothe, Ohio.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Bradford Cosenza.

Roll call revealed Corcoran, Dixon, Duncan, McCorkle & Whitten absent. All others present.

Guests – Scott Chenault, Karen Chenault, Katie Feldhues, Alexandra Stewart, Chris Corcoran, Jim Stewart, Tom Cryder, Taylor Clarkson, Kylie Jordan, Nathaniel Lamb Melody Walters, Chris Hooks, Dan Winters, Jean Winters

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Notary, Peggy Gray, swore in the three new Directors for 3-year terms; Carlen Jayme Cantrell – Franklin Twp, Keith Chain – Union Twp, Jeremy Gearhart – Green Twp.

#### Election of Officers

McDonald moved, Clever seconded to hire Cynthia Uhrig as Secretary. Prater moved, Ginther seconded to close nominations. Motion carried.

Clary moved, J. Pickerrell seconded to hire Peggy Gray as Treasurer. Prater moved, Ginther seconded to close nominations. Motion carried.

Bethel moved, McDonald seconded to nominate Barry Haubeil as Vice President. Prater moved, Clary seconded to close nominations. Barry Haubeil elected Vice President by acclamation.

Clary moved, Haubeil seconded to nominate Brad Cosenza as President. Prater moved, Clever seconded to close nominations. Brad Cosenza elected President by acclamation.

A proposal regarding goats was presented to the board. Haubeil moved to table the proposal until he and J. Pickerrell can talk with Superintendents and 4-H Extension Educator, Katie Feldhues.

Chris Corcoran presented a proposal to have llamas as projects and exhibit at the 2016 fair. This was tabled until further review.

Haubeil moved, B. Pickerrell seconded to approve the minutes of October 5 & 24, 2015. Motion carried.

Clary moved, B. Pickerrell seconded to approve the October 2015 Treasurer's report. \$340,00.00 is outstanding for the loan on the Sheep and Goat building. Motion carried.

11-1-15: Clever moved, Hurtt seconded to pay the bills to date. Motion carried. \$34,007.09 had been received from Easyriders for electric, water, damages and supplies from their event.

Katie Feldhues reported Jr. Fair will be presenting two sessions at the OFMA Convention; 'Dress for Success' and 'Can You Pack Your Grandstand?'

11-2-15: Hurtt moved, Ginther seconded to approve \$10.00 for each 4-H member and advisor attending the 2016 Convention. Motion carried.

The Sale Committee reported all but \$3358.00 has been collected from the sale. Treasurer Winters is holding 12 checks until payments have been made.

11-3-15: Bethel moved, Clary seconded to accept Jeremy Forcum's proposal for expansion of motocross track. Motion and second withdrawn.

Ginther out.

11-4-15: Clary moved, Hurtt seconded to approve a 3-year contract with ChillitownMX and Jeremy Forcum for \$5000.00 per year with opt out after 2 years. Motion carried. One nay.

11-5-15: Clary moved, Bethel seconded to remodel the bathroom in the Caretaker's house. Motion carried.

The water was turned off November 3. Trash barrels will be purchased in the spring. Storage is full except in 4-H building and for boats. The electric at the food booths has been disconnected until spring. Steer weigh-in is December 5 from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Free storage is available to Commissioners, Scott's 5 helpers from the fair and the fair board directors only.

11-6-15: Prater moved, Hurtt seconded to approve the 3-year Triple Treat Contract with note: no ATM permitted and weekly ride bracelets wanted. Motion carried. One nay.

11-7-15: Clever moved, Prater seconded to go into Executive Session at 8:32 p.m. to review personnel contracts. Motion carried.

11-8-15: Clary moved, Hill seconded to come out of Executive session at 9:05 p.m. Motion carried.

11-9-15: Prater moved, Hurtt seconded to go back into regular session at 9:05 p.m. Motion carried.

11-10-15: Prater moved, Clary seconded to give 3% increases in salary to Caretaker, Caretaker Assistant, Treasurer and Secretary effective December 1, 2015. Motion carried.

11-11-15: Clever moved, Hill seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 p.m. Motion carried.

WITNESSED BY:

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED:

BRADFORD M. COSENZA  
PRESIDENT RCAS

CYNTHIA D. UHRIG  
SECRETARY