

The regular meeting of the Ross County Agricultural Society Board of Directors was conducted September 8, 2020 at the Ross County Fairgrounds, 344 Fairgrounds Road, Chillicothe, OH.

The meeting was called to order by Interim President Gary Prater at 7:10 pm.

Roll call revealed that Boggs, Clary, Clever, Corcoran, Gearhart, Haubeil Jr., Hill, and Whitten were absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Prater.

Guests – Jean Winters, Dan Winters, Kate Wells, Kailee Adkins, Aaron Swepston, and Chris Hooks.

Correspondence – Two thank you notes were received.

Kailee Adkins a member of Clover Bees 4-H Club and the Zane Trace FFA thanked the Senior Fair Board and all others that made the Jr Fair Livestock Show a success. She wanted to invite the SFB to the meetings taking place on September 15 & 16, 2020 with the public and superintendents and to the meetings with the superintendents on September 22 & 23, 2020. The purpose of these meetings are to discuss issues on each species.

Prater requested that at least 1 to 2 Directors attend the meetings.

Jr Fair Report

Wells is hoping that the superintendents meeting will be productive in solving issues with each species. She presented several ideas for the 2021 fair, multiple marketing options for species exhibition, carcass show, and farm to table marketing. These ideas will be discussed at the superintendent meetings.

Sales Committee Report

Jean Winters reported that the packer's bill is \$81,678.12, the add-ons are \$176,972.20, the general fund \$53,750.00. They have \$35,897.64 for their operating money. There were 640 exhibitors with market animal projects.

9-1-20: Hurtt moved, Haubeil seconded to approve the August 3, 2020 and the August 24, 2020 Minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report

9-2-20: Haubeil moved, Bethel seconded to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

9-3-20: Chrisman moved, McCorkle seconded to approve the payment of August 4-31, 2020 bills totaling \$147,616.54 and September 1-8, 2020 bills totaling \$14,315.63. Motion carried.

Kenworth sent an EFT to RCAS in the amount of \$13,200.00 that should have been sent to the Sales Committee.

9-4-20: Bethel moved, Nelson seconded to pay the Sales Committee the \$13,200.00 that Kenworth sent to RCAS by mistake. Motion carried.

Gator Jon's had to add porta jons during the fair that was not added to the invoice. They will be keeping the \$2.00 per camper pump and not adding the extra porta jons to the invoice.

Secretary Report

The OFMA survey on the convention was discussed, it will be sent on September 9, 2020. The RCAS Board of Directors will not be attending. Cosenza will be there and represent the RCAS.

Caretaker Report

The Church of Latter-Day Saints are donating their time to paint the Antique Building. Dana Cousins has a crew doing community work on the grounds. The weed control contractor did not spray all that was needed.

Chain reported that the Heifer and Steer Show is cancelled for October.

9-5-20: Haubeil moved, Chrisman seconded to officially cancel the 2020 Jeep Fest. Motion carried.

9-6-20: Pickerrell moved, Hurtt seconded to submit the application for 2021 Ohio Fairs Fund Money. Motion carried.

9-7-20: Free moved, Bethel seconded to request August 7-14, 2021 for the 2021 Ross County Fair dates. Motion carried.

The Board of Directors decided not to nominate anyone for the Hall of Fame Award this year. They also decided not to have a fall planning meeting.

9-8-20: Cosenza moved, Chain seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 pm. Motion carried.

WITNESSED BY:

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED BY:

GARY PRATER
INTERIM PRESIDENT

MARY LUDWICK
SECRETARY