

Franklin County Agricultural Society Meeting, January 18, 2022

The Franklin County Agricultural Society Meeting on January 18 was called to order by Gary Fellure, via Zoom. The following members were in attendance: Gary Fellure, Cassie Fellure, Emily Gabriel, Chuck Buck, Sharla House, Debbie Johnson, Rachel Bausch, Rita Bausch, Chris Johnson, Julie Krebs, Cameron Krebs, Jeff Gergal, Penelope Mishne, Kevin Wiley, Paige Wiley, Shirley Russel, Abby Bates, Dave Hickman and Dave Fleshman and Kathy McNutt. Fair Manager Rod Garnett, Fair Manager in Training Amy Fleshman, Beth Boomershire, Rachel Stoneburner, Bob Apel and Jim Jewel were also in attendance.

The Secretaries Minutes from December were approved as emailed by Kevin. Seconded by Jeff.

Treasurer's report was reviewed as emailed. Report was submitted for audit by Jeff.

Fair Managers report was approved as submitted by Jeff, seconded by Kevin.

Committee Reports:

Grounds/Maintenance: Jim Jewell, FCEO presented cost breakdown for 8 items (Paving under Annex, West Side Annex, Additional Handicapped Parking outside Gate 5, Cracks in Pavement/Midway, Message Board NW Parkway, Grandstand Kickwall, Replace Bathrooms behind Office, Install Gates at Rate Track. Chip/Seal Gravel hat was done last year (FCEO will do. Decisions These were referred to Grounds Committee for a decision.

Chuck moved to approve the needed electrical work at the outside storage to repair damaged lights and wiring. Dave F. seconded the motion, motion passes.

Kevin moved to accept the Committee recommendations for 2023 Rates. Dave F. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Horse: Becky Applegett supplied a form that will be used to release State Fair Horses, ½ hour after the fair closes. Kevin is in charge. Kevin moved to accept the form, Jeff seconded the notion, Motion carried.

Junior Fair: Sponsor letters are out. Ribbons will be ordered by the end of the month. Have a tentative schedule.

Open Livestock: Adding an Open Goat Market Goat Show.

Junior Fair Livestock/ Sale: Changing Outstanding Market Exhibitor to Premier Exhibitor to allow breeding projects to participate. On Sunday, an hour after fair closes, people can line up to be escorted into grounds to pick up animals. At 7:30, small animals can be walked out

Cameron moved to allow ractopamine, since we are not using larger packers. Dee F. 2nd the motions. Motion passes.

Home Fine Arts and Horticulture: Food classes are being added back in for 2022. Book is in the process of being updated. Sponsor letters and ribbon order will be finalized soon.

Parking and Gates: Emily moved to accept committee recommendation for 2022 Passes. Season Pass/Membership \$30, Gates \$10, Presale \$9, Advisors \$20, Junior Fair \$3, 2 and under free. They will not be offering an Exhibitor Pass. Chris seconded the motion. Motion passed by Roll Call vote

We need to gather more info before a decision can be made about E ticketing. Discussion was held about Parking Attendants, but hours need to be set first.

Entertainment: Co chairs are Shirley, Kevin and Julie. Schedule as of now is Harness Racing Sunday and Monday, Drag Racing Tuesday, Family Fun Day Events Wednesday, Truck and Tractor Pull Thursday, Monster Truck Friday, Demo Derby Saturday. Grounds Act as of now is David Anthony. Gathering info about other Grounds Acts and Farm to Table. Ribbon Cutting is at 10:30.

Contracts: Sharla moved to accept the Service Agreement and Judges Contract as corrected. Emily seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

Sponsorships: Recommendation is to move Sponsor of the Day rates to \$1500. Existing sponsors are grandfathered. In Kind Sponsors will be sent an invoice with a \$\$\$ amount to be added. Spread sheet to be distributed to board.

Old Business:

Job Descriptions for Staff : Kevin moved to accept as submitted. Chris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Original Deed has been located

Lawyers for will meet on 1/19 at the fairgrounds to gather information about the injured fairgoer.

New Business:

Tax Update: awaiting decision after filing paperwork

Chris moved to submit the Financial Report to ODA. Jeff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Franklin County Farm Bureau Membership was tabled until February

Kevin moved to purchase a new Ricoh Copier. Jeff 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

Kevin discussed Ohio Sunshine Laws . All committee meetings need to be put on a calendar for public access and minutes should be sent to Kathy. Julie suggested using Google Docs for storage of Centralized Documents. Amy to investigate.

OFMA highlights were shared with the board from members in attendance.

Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting February 15

Respectively Submitted, Kathy McNutt, Secretary