

The annual meeting of the Ross County Agricultural Society Board of Directors was conducted Monday, December 10, 2018 at the Ross County Fairgrounds, 344 Fairgrounds Road, Chillicothe, Ohio.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice President Steve Clever.

Roll call revealed that Bethel, Chrisman, Corcoran, Gearhart, and Uhrig were absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Clever.

Guests – Chris Hooks, Katie Feldhues and Karlton Wheeler.

Sales Committee

All checks have been issued to 4-H members from the Jr. Livestock Sale. There are three buyers that have still not paid their invoices from the sale totally \$1,000.00.

12-1-18: Cosenza moved, McCorkle seconded to accept November 5, 2018 minutes. Motion carried.

12-2-18: Hill moved, Cosenza seconded to accept Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

12-3-18: Cosenza moved, Hill seconded to approve the payment of November and December's bills to date. Motion carried.

4-H Report

55 animals were tagged in beef. Jr. Fair Board has met several times preparing for the OFMA Convention.

12-4-18: Hurtt moved, Prater seconded to approve payment of \$10.00 per person for lunch for the 33 Jr. Fair Board members and 5 advisors attending the OFMA Convention. Motion carried.

12-5-18: Pickerrell moved, Boggs seconded for the 4-H Horse clubs to hold their Horse Tack Swap in the JVS and Multi-Purpose Buildings. Motion carried.

12-6-18: Boggs moved, Hurtt seconded to accept the Annual Financial Report of the RCAS that will be sent to the ODA in January. Motion carried.

A date needs to be selected in January for the Contract Committee to meet on several contracts for the 2019 year. Boggs will be contacting Josh Younge with the PRJV School on their Emergency Plan.

12-7-18: Cosenza moved, McCorkle seconded to hire Corky Que for the RCAS Christmas Dinner at \$11.50 per person. Motion carried.

The tickets for the OFMA Convention have been turned in. Schedules for the convention were handed out.

Caretaker's Report

The schedule for the fairgrounds rentals is now on Google Calendars. A mobile pressure washing trailer is being worked on. The new chairs that were purchased have arrived, and the missing chairs have been located.

12-8-18: Pickerrell moved, Free seconded to pay Karlton Wheeler his one week of vacation before Christmas. Motion carried.

12-9-18: McCorkle moved, Whitten seconded to hire Detillion Fence Co. to build and install a gate in between the Flower Building and the north side of the Rabbit Barn for \$1,198.00. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Pickerrell would like to advertise the contract service specs for the 2019 fair to the public.

McCorkle is going to contact the electric company that parks on the back side of the fairgrounds about the issue of paying rent for this service.

Gray handed out pages for the 2019 fair book for updating. The Gazette will not be publishing our fair book this year. We will be looking into options for this service at the convention.

Clary has spoken to Jeremy Forcum and he doesn't think having the Autocross for 2 nights at the fair will be profitable. Clary is looking into county music acts.

12-10-18: Clary moved, Hill seconded to have a meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 4, 2019 at the OFMA Convention on the 3rd floor Ball Room. Motion carried.

12-11-18: Hill moved, Haubeil Jr. seconded to approve grandstand entertainment for the 2019 fair as follows; Thursday Rodeo, Friday Autocross, Saturday Demolition Derby. Motion carried.

Haubeil would like to talk to the Ross County Engineer's office about their grater that the fairgrounds use.

12-12-18: Hill moved, Cosenza seconded to approve payment to Directors, Treasurer and Secretary attending the OFMA Convention per diem as \$250.00 for 3 nights, \$170.00 for 2 nights and \$85.00 for 1 night. Motion carried.

12-13-18: Hurtt moved, Prater seconded to make a change in the Policies and Procedures Handbook under the Budget Policy where it states that the yearly budget will be presented at the annual meeting in December, it will be changed to the November meeting. Motion carried.

12-14-18: Hurtt moved, Free seconded to go into an Executive Session at 8:22 p.m. to consider the compensation of an employee. Motion carried.

12-15-18: Cosenza moved, McCorkle seconded to resume regular meeting. Motion carried.

12-16-18: Haubeil moved, Whitten seconded to award a 3% wage increase to Karlton Wheeler, the fairgrounds manager effective December 27, 2018. Motion carried.

12-17-18: Whitten moved, Nelson seconded to increase the Secretary's, Mary Ludwick, salary by \$100.00 a month effective January 1, 2019. Motion carried.

12-18-18: Cosenza moved, Prater seconded to increase the Treasurer's, Nan Clary, salary by \$100.00 a month effective January 1, 2019. Motion carried. Dave Clary abstained.

12-19-18: Cosenza moved, Hill seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 p.m. Motion carried.

WITNESSED BY:

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED BY:

STEVEN CLEVER
VICE PRESIDENT RCAS

MARY LUDWICK
SECRETARY RCAS