

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 by Vice President Steve Clever.

Roll call revealed Bethel, Corcoran, Hill, McCorkle, Nelson, Prater, and Uhrig were absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chip Chrisman.

Bethel arrived at 7:09.

Guests – Sandy Free, Chris Hooks, Katie Feldhues, Emily Jones, Jesse Baxter and Karlton Wheeler.

9-1-18: Hurtt moved, Clever seconded to approve August 2, 2018 and August 20, 2018 minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

9-2-18: Pickerrell moved, Chrisman seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

Whitten delivered a \$1,000.00 donation to the Ross County Fair Board to be used as needed from Ross County Steer and Heifer Classic.

The RCAS received a check from Easy Rider's Rodeo in the amount of \$52,284.00 for payment of their event.

There were 900 withdraws from the ATM machines during the Rodeo, for a profit of \$2,250.00.

Trader Days still owes a \$3,086.96 balance from their April event.

9-3-18: Cosenza moved, Whitten seconded to pay the monthly bills. Motion passed.

Jr Fair Report / 4-H Report

Emily Jones and Jesse Baxter reported that they have received fifty applications for Jr. Fair Board. They will start interviewing on October 1, 2018.

Katie Feldhues handed out wristbands to Senior Fair Board members that had requested them for the 4-H Halloween Campout.

Jr. Fair Sales Committee Report

Chris Hooks reported that the money from the livestock sales is coming in very well. The Buyer's Appreciation Dinner is being held on September 11, 2018.

Secretary's Report

Kelcie Pierce has inquired to see if the Senior Fair Board would consider helping with expenses for the Ross County Fair Queen and Court on their visits to other county fairs and parades.

9-4-18: Cosenza moved, Clever seconded to give \$50.00 per trip up to ten trips for a total of \$500.00 to the Jr. Fair Board to disperse to the Queen and Court for expenses. Motion passed.

9-5-18: Gray moved, Boggs seconded to approve to pay for OFMA reservations and expenses for the Board and the Queen. 1 opposed. Motion passed.

Caretaker's Report

The floor in the Multipurpose Building will need to be cleaned and buffed from the Rodeo.

9-6-18: Cosenza moved, Gray seconded to hire First Capital Enterprises to clean and buff the floor in the Multipurpose Building, the bill will be sent to the Easy Rider's Rodeo for payment. Motion passed.

First Capital Enterprises has given Wheeler a quote of \$285.00 to buff the floor on a quarterly basis.

Motion tabled on hiring First Capital Enterprises on buffing the floor quarterly.

Wheeler requested that a member of each 4-H club be responsible for setting out and picking up the trash cans for the Halloween Campout. Katie Feldhues said that could be done.

The lawn mowers are both in the repair shop. Discussion of which mower and when it should be purchased was held.

Camper storage rates will remain the same this year as they were last year, \$200.00 plus \$10.00 per foot above 20 foot.

Committee Reports

Pickerrell reported that the office trailer that was rented for the harness racing has not been picked up.

Clary proposed to investigate building a new horse arena that would be under roof. He will be checking prices for this project.

Clever reported that there were \$2,800.00 of damage to electrical wires during the rodeo.

The Easy Rider's Rodeo let campers onto the parking lots of the fairgrounds 36 hours earlier than is stated in their contract without informing the RCAS.

9-7-18: Boggs moved, Whitten seconded to charge Easy Rider's Rodeo \$12,500.00 for the extra two days of camping. Motion passed.

Brad Silcott updated the board during the meeting of the clean up of the fairgrounds. The cleaning should be completed by Thursday evening (9-13-18).

Motion S8-9-18 stating that the Home Arts Building would not be available to rented from the August 20, 2018 meeting was discussed. There were already contracts with the building being rented.

9-8-18: Cosenza moved, Hurtt seconded to contact Miller's Swap Meet to see if the Home Arts Building with the glass cases in place and not to be moved would be sufficient for him to rent, if so it is approved that he can rent the Home Arts Building. Motion passed.

In the future contracts need to be adjusted to include free passes to events for RCAS Board Members.

9-9-18: Gray moved, Haubeil seconded to have electric shut off to the permanent food booths from October 1st thru April 1st. Motion passed.

Haubeil Jr. will be investigating new ticket company with chip readers for credit cards.

The Fall Meeting date will be September 29, 2018 at 9:00 am at the fairgrounds.

The 2019 Ross County Fair dates will be requested as August 3, 2019 thru August 10, 2019.

9-10-18: Clever moved, Whitten seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 pm.

WITNESSED BY:

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED BY:

BRYAN BETHEL
PRESIDENT RCAS

MARY LUDWICK
SECRETARY RCAS