

The regular meeting of the Ross County Agricultural Society Board of Directors was held February 3, 2025, at the Ross County Fairgrounds, 344 Fairgrounds Road, Chillicothe, Ohio.

The meeting was called to order by President Bradford Cosenza at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call revealed that Boggs, Haubeil Jr., Kemper, VanHoose, and Wheeler were absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ludwick.

Guests – Brayden Hauswirth, Alyssa Brooks, Blake Hauswirth, Dustin Cottrill, Tom McWhorter, Kenton Richter, Ryan Kline, and Karl Gearhart.

Dustin Cottrill inquired if the PA system in the Show Arena would be working before their show on April 6, 2025. The Cattleman Fall Classic Show will be on October 11, 2025

2-1-25: Haubeil moved, Chain seconded to permit the Huntington-PRCTC FFA Chapter hold their 4<sup>th</sup> annual Agriculture 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Career Day in the Bandstand Area and Mid-way on April 25, 2025 from 8am – 2:15pm. Motion carried.

Kline went over the dates for the Horse Committee events and work-outs. There have been 31 applications submitted for Kate Wells position.

2-2-25: Hill moved, Bethel seconded to permit the Swine Futurity Show to be held on May 31, 2025. Motion carried.

A discussion took place on which butcher would be used for the Farm to Fork program.

2-3-25: Bethel moved, Hill seconded to use Just Meats for the Farm to Fork program for the 2025 fair. Motion carried. 15 Affirmative, 1 Opposed (Clever).

Bethel will take care of the donations for the Farm to Fork program.

Kline discussed the voucher program changes that took place during the 2024 fair. He will work on changes and present at a future meeting.

McWhorter – The Sales Committee has the weigh slips and ear tags for fair. Shaffer has been working on the Show Works program.

2-4-25: Prater moved, Free seconded to pay \$10.00 per Livestock Weighers to be certified, there will be 8-10 that will be certified. Motion carried.

2-5-25: Clever moved, Nelson seconded to approve the January 9, 2025 minutes. Motion carried.

2-6-25: Clever moved, Bethel seconded to approve the January Treasurer Report. Motion carries.

2-7-25: Bethel moved, McCorkle seconded to approve payment of the January 9-31, 2025 bills totaling \$99,140.62. Motion carried.

2-8-25: Clever moved, Haubeil seconded to approve payment of the February 1-3, 2025 bills totaling \$9,791.13. Motion carried.

Free reported that the Law & Public Safety students at the PRCTC and the McClain Cadet Court would like to be able to work the parking lots during the fair for a public service.

Cosenza appointed VanHoose to take over the Commercial Building Vendors during the 2025 fair.

Free received a donation of \$1,000.0 from Greenfield VFW for the Commercial Building.

Clary informed the Board about the Horse Protection Act, if more than 100 horses are on site for a show there has to be a Vet and Farrier on site.

Gray has contacted Post Printing about printing the Fair Book. The cost will be \$14,733.00 for 4000 books, and the Board will have to sell the ads for the book.

Haubeil – Camping row is done that was being upgraded.

2-9-25: Haubeil moved, Bethel seconded to purchase 6 precast lids for holding tanks for \$4,650.00. Motion carried.

Bethel will need 6 more vendor campsites, Haubeil will have a quote for this at the next meeting.

Kenworth Truck Parade will have to purchase a temporary camping permit or move from where they usually camp.

2-10-25: Hill moved, Clary seconded to go into executive session at 7:04pm. Motion carried.

2-11-25: Haubeil moved, Clever seconded to come out of executive session at 7:25pm. Motion carried.

2-12-25: Clever moved, Haubeil seconded to give Wheeler, Guthrie, and Ludwick a 4% raise. Motion carried.

Guy McCorkle tendered his resignation as Board Member effectively as of February 3, 2025.

2-13-25: McCorkle moved, Clever seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:34pm. Motion carried.

WITNESSED BY:

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED BY:

BRADFORD COSENZA  
RCAS PRESIDENT

MARY LUDWICK  
RCAS SECRETARY

