

Franklin County Agricultural Society Minutes for January 17, 2017 Meeting

President David Fleshman called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. The following members were present: Kathy McNutt, Shirley Russell, Beth Boomershine, Chuck Buck, Emily Gabriel, Gary Fellure, Kevin, Wiley, Dan Conkright, Jim Krebs, Cameron Krebs, Jim Witteman, Heath Fleshman, Rita Bausch, Debbie Johnson, Becky Applegett, Rachel Bausch, David Fleshman, Denise Buerger, Stan Willis, and Abby Bates. Ron Garnett, Fair Manager, and David Hickman were also present.

David Fleshman led the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Secretary's Minutes from the December 20, 2016, meeting were reviewed. Kathy McNutt motioned to approve the minutes as written and Kevin Wiley seconded. Motion passed to accept the minutes.

The Treasurer's Report for the month was reviewed. Cameron Krebs made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Rachel Bausch seconded. Motion passed to accept the report. Chuck Buck motioned to approve and resubmit final financial report and Gary Fellure seconded. Motion passed. Jim Witteman made a motion to pay the monthly bills and Chuck seconded. Motion passed.

Rod Garnett presented the Fair Managers' Report outlining the activities completed during the past month. Kevin motioned to accept the report and Abby Bates seconded. Motion passed. Rod explained that the City of Hilliard has a plan exam fee of \$257.50 which has to be paid in order to receive the permits for moving the portable classrooms. Emily Gabriel motioned to pay the fee and Kevin seconded. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

PR – Abby presented the financial outlay for PR: Kids Link \$1100, Stephanie with Simply PR \$7000, and I Heart Media \$4230 which includes 40 spots on WCOL, print guide and digital flyers. Kevin motioned to accept this proposal and Shirley Russel seconded. Motion passed.

Entertainment – This was already approved at a previous meeting, but Shirley shared that the Grandstand fee will be \$5 and ages 2 and under will be free.

Jr. Fair – Kathy reported that 32 youth attended the OFMA for the Saturday sessions. Also 10% was saved on the ribbon order by placing order by 1/31. This includes the 100th fair special ribbons.

Contracts – Denise presented the Buckeye Rodeo contract for \$12,500 which includes our name on the liability policy. Chuck Buck made the motion to accept the contract and Gary Fellure

seconded. Motion passed. The NTPA contract was also presented. Abby motioned to accept the contract and Cameron seconded. Motion passed.

4-H – Beth Boomershine shared that her office will be moving to W. Spring Street on February 13. The online club enrollment will use the same user names and passwords as before.

Old Business

David Hickman was recognized at OFMA for being an Outstanding Fair Supporter. We also thanked him for letting us borrow his snowbox for the skid steer, even though it hasn't snowed much so far!

New Business

Drew and Karen Bates are retiring after the 2017 season. We received a letter from Eric Bates and family, Bates Bros. Amusement Co, who will be taking over the family business and will take over our contract after the 2017 fair.

4th of July Parade – Abby has the proposal ready to submit to City Council. She would like to develop a website for online registration. The city wants a four year deal. Chuck motioned to submit our proposal and Dan Conkright seconded. Motion passed.

Chuck reported that there are four documents that we need to adopt: Conflict of Interest Policy, Conflict of Interest Statement, Confidentiality Agreement, and General Policies and Procedures. Chuck motioned to adopt these documents and Dan seconded. Motion passed.

Chuck and Dave Hickman met with the USO and recommend that we add them to our Military Day on Thursday. They provide static displays, climbing wall, precision parachute jumping team and recruiters on the grounds. They have contacted all of the military organizations and there is much interest. We would give 300 tickets form them to give out. They will have a gala fundraiser in March.

Special Preview Party of the 100th Franklin County Fair Display on Wednesday, April 12, 2017, 6:00-7:30 PM, is for Fair Board Members and a guest. This event will be held at the Historical Village Museum at Weaver Park.

Heath Fleshman motioned to adjourn the meeting and Jim Witteman seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Denise Buerger, Secretary