

Franklin County Agricultural Society Minutes for June 19, 2018 Meeting

President David Fleshman called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM. The following members were present: Andy Rice, Shirley Russell, Kelly Willis, Abby Bates, David Fleshman, Jeff Karn, Dan Conkright, Stan Willis, Derek Vincent, Cameron Krebs, Chuck Buck, Emily Gabriel, Rachel Bausch, Kathy McNutt, Rita Bausch, Debbie Johnson, and Denise Buerger. Rod Garnett, Fair Manager, and Stephanie Rauschenbach, from Simply Put PR, and Patrick Dick, guest, were also present.

Debbie Johnson led the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The April and May minutes were reviewed. Rachel Bausch motioned to accept the April minutes as written, and Emily Gabriel seconded. Motion passed. Debbie motioned to accept the May minutes, and Dan Conkright seconded. Motion passed.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Abby Bates made the motion to accept the report, and Rita Bausch seconded. Motion passed.

Rod Garnett presented the Fair Manager's report. There were 26 events during the past four weeks. Callie Caoua was hired as a temporary office helper effective June 4. Six dead trees were pulled out along the Northwest Parkway fence, the Office received its final coat of paint, "No Parking" signs were installed in campgrounds, drainage pipes were repaired by Burke, new gate signs were installed, the gate at Gate 1 was replaced, and new roof put on restroom near office. There are 4 race horse stall contract in place. The inside commercial space is full, but there may still be room for outside vendors. The County completed parking lot striping and installed handicap parking signs. There will be 2 tractors donated by JD Equipment for the fair, a skid steer and four wheeler from Green & Sons, and a skid steer with broom box from SE Equipment. Franklin County Public Health will provide hand wash and other safety signs. Abby motioned to accept the report, and Rita seconded. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

Jr. Fair – Creative Baking competition will be held in the Edwards on June 25. There are still Wi-Fi problems in office.

Livestock - The new hog scales have been sealed. The Jersey show is cancelled.

Entertainment – Need corn hole boards for tournament.

Gates – All four phones have readers for credit card admissions. Training will be scheduled with the Moose for credit cards and registers. Need a new handstamp for Grandstand admission.

Contracts-These no cost: Chicky Chicky Waffle (Ed Arm LLC Food Truck Solutions); Angel Wings (concert); Peace for Paws (corn hole tournament); Columbus Folk Music; Sunnybrook Studio of Dublin, National Wild Turkey Federation, and Joyful Inspiration Dance. 3 Horse show judges (\$250, \$375, and \$375); Jr. Fair Livestock Judges (\$2425); Southern Rock Bank (\$450), Executive Committee approved Monster Truck Event for July 18 (\$6500) and David Anthony (magician, \$3000 for 7/16). Dan motioned to approve contracts, and Andy Rice seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business

Helpers should be here at 4th of July parade 6:30 AM.

New Business

Stephanie shared that the media may be interested in ride safety, and she has a protocol for handling this. She talked to Bates Brothers about this. She has an information sheet for the media which she has already shared. The media will only come in Gate 5 where Stephanie will meet them. She will also be here for ride inspection. She can meet with the Moose to explain the protocol. Stephanie also attended the Commissioners' meeting this morning, along with Mike Frank from the Mid-Ohio Food Bank and Steve Rohrer from the Sale Committee. They explained the partnership between the Food Bank and the Livestock Sale where buyers can donate the meat from the animals they buy.

Chuck Buck left the meeting at 8:01 PM while the Finance/Land committee gave an update. Rod will contact the commissioners about our proposal. They will review the purchase contract from the Township.

On July 5, show cases will be moved into the Edwards for Fine Arts; July 6 tents will be set up; July 9 insect control will happen; July 10 the pens will be disinfected; and July 11 the curtains will come.

Derek motioned to adjourn the meeting and Dan seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Denise Buerger, Secretary