



**Pickaway County Agricultural Society**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

- I. Call to order – at 7pm by President Von Cremeans
- II. Pledge of Allegiance by Christy Pence
- III. Roll Call – Directors not present: Ben Brisker and Sean Mayhugh.
- IV. Guests- Parent (no name) attended to express her concerns regarding rabbits at the fair, she says rabbit urine is sticky and stain and would like to see preventative measures taken or training given to avoid urine dripping from cages above. Parent stated a child in their club was disqualified because his rabbit was covered in urine from the cage above. She also would like to see a small stop sign posted for crossing traffic to be in compliance with ODA and ADA for medical needs.
- V. Secretary Report – June 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting- Tracey Rittinger moves to approve, Jen Hendershot Capsel seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.  
June 18<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting- Donnie Smith moves to approve, Jim Pollock seconds the motion. All in favor motion carried.
- VI. Treasurer Report-
  - PCAS Monthly
    - Checking/Kingston National Bank \$181,963.14
    - Money Market \$173,029.79
    - Petty Cash \$100
    - Total funds/Kingston National Bank \$355,092.93
    - Income \$533,313.74
      - Rentals \$1,650.00
    - Expenses \$414,099.01
      - Maint. Expense/Repairs \$6,465.16
      - Utilities \$11,379.22
    - Profit \$119,214.73

Donnie Smith moved to approve PCAS Treasurer's Report. Jody Kidd seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

GAP Monthly

- GAP Checking/The Savings Bank \$39,426.10
- Money Market/The Savings Bank \$
- CD/Vinton County Bank \$51,372.27
- GAP Checking/ Vinton County Bank \$42756.02
- GAP Saving/ Vinton County Bank \$36,545.04
- Total Funds in Bank \$170,099.43
- Income \$17,038.63

- Expenses \$8,918.70
- Profit \$8,119.93

Donnie Smith moved to approve GAP Treasurer's Report. Darin Myers seconded. All in Favor, motion carried.

## VII. Committee Reports-

- Junior Fair Board- In attendance were Derek Yarnell (King) and Emma Caudill (1<sup>st</sup> attendant) they informed senior fair board that they have already attended 2 fairs and 1 parade including Ashville 4<sup>th</sup> of July where they passed out candy, fair board would like to come up with ideas of promo items to pass out next year. Royalty had been to Madison County fair earlier in the day and attended Putnam County fair 2 weeks prior. Queen, Eva Merritt has started an Instagram page for the fair royalty. Joy has informed the new royalty of their travel expense reports. Joy Sharp would like any noted for the Junior Fair Board for future years. Von thanked JFB for helping hang signs after skill-a-thon, Christy thanked JFB for their help and energy in passing out t-shirts during fair.
- Livestock Sales Committee- In attendance for sale committee is Bennett Musselman, he states they had their follow up meeting a few weeks ago and advanced showmanship was the main topic, they believe the sale committee as well as the fair board need to fix it. Trophies had to be taken away and they believe it is a good idea just needs to be fine-tuned. They also discussed how all species have some things they want to improve on, they would like to have geese allowed to be sold at the fair. They are looking in to new software, their cloud based show works let them down this year.
- Randy Smith- Homemaking Hobbies and Crafts-Randy stated it was a little warm in the Ankrom room with the AC not working. He also stated that they took attendance of people visiting the crafts area and they had a hundred people through here each day. For entertainment he says it was just too hot.
- Tracey Rittinger- Rabbits- She would like breeding rabbits to be able to come in, show, then go home. She has some issues with rabbits that need addressed, she thought providing the shavings went well and having clubs help clean up the barns went wonderful. Tracey stated for the entertainment committee Monday entertainment needs to be worked on or done away with, it was so hot that the entertainment was good but had no crowd to play for. Board discussed shading the amphitheater.
- Jennifer Hendershot Capsel- She states the poultry people loved having a barn to themselves and she received several compliments on how clean it was. She said they did state if they keep the barn in the future they would prefer to keep the turkeys on the other side so they get the misters. She said advanced showmanship was an issue. The shavings were wonderful and helped keep the barns clean. Jennifer would also like to start having 3 poultry shows and she has a plan for it to help cut down the time of each show, she is going to pass it along to board members for further review.
- Christy Pence-Sponsorship had \$69,000 last year and \$73,000 this year with some invoices still outstanding. She would like to create package sponsorships in the future. Christy would like to expand our kids day. Christy thanked her committee for helping take banners down. Christy feels advertising has more opportunities that we could take advantage of. We had banners, billboards as well as ads in magazines and other fairs and festivals books. She felt that the Wolf radio station did a wonderful job helping us promote. In the future she would like to expand the budget for advertising and build up our social media presence. She would like to get radio

ads as well as movie theaters, apothecary bags, golf score cards, and advertising with Scioto post. She states all in all everything went good.

- Jay Jude- Jay states the sound system was absolutely great and he felt it was the best money we've spent. As for the barns, he felt everything went great even with as hot as it was, he feels if we put a fan in the middle it would make a huge difference. His only issue is people moving the gates, even cutting zip ties and we need to work on fixing that. He says the Rodeo he felt was one of the best rodeo shows we had. He did have a complaint that we have the hog show and the rabbit show at the same time. Jay states advanced showmanship was also an issue.
- Jennifer Pontious- Horse meeting will be at the end of August. She thanked Jody for the arena and she felt the horses and the cattle people got good arena time and they had no issues with the wash rack. They are discussing not having the horse show on Saturday and possibly having it a month before.
- Jody Kidd- Jody states it was extremely hot in the beef barn. Von states he believes it was the new asphalt floor that caused the excessive heat and he is going to address it. Von told Jody that he received compliments on the cattle show and how it ran very smooth.
- Ryan Sark- Ryan states everything went good on his end and the fencing made it easier. He stated we did have some water pressure issues that we need to work on. Von stated that we need to add to the camper rules no electric splitters.
- Matt Patterson- Matt said everything with goats and sheep went well, no complaints. They are having their committee meeting on Sunday.
- Darin Myers- Darin states all his events went really well and everyone pitched in to help.
- Donnie Smith- Donnie states Autocross and motocross went really good, autocross needs to work on a few rules. Autocross had almost 80 cars.
- Jim Pollock- Jim states everything went good with horse races and the new sound system helped a lot. He would like to get more people in the gate those days and in future years he wants to really work on getting wiener dog races.
- Scott Pritchard- Scott states all concessions and commercial vendors went really well but in the future he would like to coordinate better when vendors move in vs when animals move in. He would like to cut down the time 4-H clubs have to set up booths. Joy would like to the board to consider when 4-H clubs can begin to tear down their booths.
- Von Cremeans- Von felt the fair was very successful and everyone did a fantastic job jumping in and getting things done that needed to get done. He felt that we were more prepared than ever.

VIII. Old Business- None

IX. New Business

- a. Credit card for GAP/ Von Cremeans
  - Darin Myers moves to approve a GAP credit card. Christy Pence seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- b. GAP clean up proposal/ Andrea Hoover
  - Devan Anderson is proposing GAP cleanup for \$4,000. Darin Myers moves to approve the proposal. Donnie Smith seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- c. Accurate Estimate/ Von Cremeans
  - Heat recovery wheel motor on Heritage Hall furnace for \$1,900. Jay Jude motions to approve the estimate. Darin Myers seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

- d. Executive Session/ Von Cremeans
  - Jay Jude motions to go in to executive session. Randy Smith seconds the motion. All in favor motion carried.
  - Donnie Smith motions to exit executive session. Darin Myers seconds the motion. All in favor motion carried.
- e. Appoint Bennett Musselman/ Von Cremeans
  - Donnie Smith motions to approve appointing Bennett Musselman to empty seat. Darin Myers seconds the motion. All in Favor, motion carried.
  - Bennett Musselman sworn in by Andrea Hoover, Notary. He has signed oath of office and conflict of interest statement.

X. Correspondence

- Thank You from Sydney Hayes
- Thank You from Isabelle Capsel

XI. Adjournment - Donnie Smith motions to adjourn. Darin Myers seconded the motion. Motion carried.