Franklin County Agricultural Society May 16, 2023

The Franklin County Agricultural Society Meeting on April 18 was called to order by Gary Fellure. The following members were in attendance: Gary Fellure, Booney Conkright, Shirley Russell, Marty Rigo, Chuck Buck, Dave Fleshman, Emily Gabriel, Rita Bausch, Abby Bates, Dave Hickman, Sharla House, Chris Johnson, Debbie Johnson, Derek Vincent, Julie Krebs, Cameron Krebs, Cassie Fellure, Kevin Wiley and Kathy McNutt. Fair Manager Amy Fleshman was also in attendance. As were Beth Boomershine and Rachel Stoneburner from OSU Extension.

Abby led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Secretaries Minutes from were approved as emailed. Cameron moved to accept. Seconded by Sharla.

Treasurer’s report was reviewed as emailed and submitted for audit.

Fair Managers report was submitted by Kevin, seconded by Marty.

Committee Reports:

Finance: Implementing account codes to align with ODA to simplify the process moving forward. Perhaps will consider a monthly budget. Cameron moved to change the office credit card fee to 3% instead of a flat $3 fee. Chuck seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Grounds/Maintenance : Working on bringing Campground electric up to code. Only being charged for the labor.

Home and Fine Arts: Additional sponsorships are coming in. Cornell is not participating in Elected Official’s Cookie Contest this year but is sending letters to several elected officials.

Entertainment: Kevin moved to spend an additional $340 to acquire a better Marquee sign. Booney seconded the motion. Motion carried. Emily moved to approve contracts that were within the budget. Chuck seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Junior Fair: Combined Junior/Senior Fair Board Potluck on June 6. Chuck to order food from Market District. Craft Show is 1/3 full for December. Fair Entry is now open. Junior Fair Online Store goes live next week.

Livestock: Adding Banners for Showmanship classes for both the Sheep and Swine Shows. Upping premiums for sheep because more sponsorship dollars are available. Purging the old gates. July 8 is Workday.

Parking and Gates: Continue to push purchasing ticket sales. App is updated.

PR/Social Media: Draft radio spots are ready to record. This is the first official week of posting daily, please interact.

Sponsorship: Slowly but surely are coming in. Working on covering Grandstand Acts.

Parade: Grand Marshall will be Roger Reynolds, Hilliard Mayor for 24 years. Abby moved to spend up $1000 of parade monies to spruce up the Parade (Mylar Balloons, Blowup Costumes and Signage). Shirley seconded the motion. Emily amended the motion include $500 to cover the cost of printing and candy. Sharla seconded the amended motion. Both motions passed. Plan to arrive at 5:30 AM to help.

Old Business:

Constitution: Please see the separate document for all the changes that were made to each individual article.

Insurance Update: PEP is reviewing other fairs

New Business:

2022 Cream of Crop Nominees: Donnie Russell and ASE Feed and Supply.

2022 Hall of Fame : Gary Dever was selected as our nominee. Information will need to be gathered by the 10/20 deadline to complete the application. Who is doing this?

Memberships: Please sell memberships. If interested in being a board member for 2023-2024 term, individuals must have membership in 2022 to run.

Booney moved to adjourn the meeting. Kevin seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting June 20, 2023

Respectively Submitted, Kathy McNutt, Secretary