



**Pickaway County Agricultural Society**  
**Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, July 13, 2020 @ 7pm**  
**Heritage Hall**

*FFA/Future Farmers of America...GAP/Gun-A-Palooza...HH/Heritage Hall...HHB/Heritage Hall Ball...JFB/Junior Fair Board...  
L&S Committee/Livestock & Sale Committee...ODA/Ohio Department of Agriculture...PAEC/Pickaway Agriculture & Event Center...  
PCAS/Pickaway County Agricultural Society...PCVB/Pickaway County Visitors Bureau...SFB/Senior Fair Board...RFP/request for  
proposal*

- I. Call to order – by President, Von Cremeans at 7pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance – led by Craig Weiler
- III. Roll Call – Directors not present: Jim Arledge (courtesy of notice given), Tracey Rittinger (courtesy of notice given), Randy Smith (courtesy of notice given)
- IV. Secretary Report - Jay Jude moved to approve June 8, 2020 meeting minutes. Chris Pence seconded. Motion carried. Treasurer Report

PCAS Monthly

- Checking/Kingston National Bank \$218,020
- Petty Cash \$100
- AEP Credit \$7,765
- Total funds (including credit from AEP)/Kingston National Bank \$225,885
- Income \$334, 847
- Expenses \$242,752
  - Petty cash check issued to cover premiums for Hobbies, Homemaker & Craft winners \$1,243

Craig Weiler moved to approve PCAS Treasurer’s Report. Frank Reisinger seconded. Motion carried.

Fair attendance for 2020 was 21,817. Fair attendance for 2019 was 27,631. Fair financial report will be presented at August monthly meeting.

GAP Monthly

- GAP Checking/The Savings Bank \$2,301
- Money Market/The Savings Bank \$34,643
- CD/The Savings Bank \$20,205
- Total Funds in bank/The Savings Bank \$57,149
- Income \$1,155

- Tickets sold \$1,050
- Expenses \$25 (merchant service fee)

Brad Shannon moved to approve GAP Treasurer's Report. Caleb Eversole seconded. Motion carried.

## V. Committee Report

### a) Building Rentals/Von Cremeans

- All directors present received print out of upcoming building rentals for 2020
- OH Pig Show 7/18-7/19 – hosted/sponsored by Gun-A-Palooza. Volunteers ages 15+ needed to help
- Ohio Dairy Show 7/29-8/6 – have rented all buildings except Heritage Hall. 1,082 head registered. Bigger than the Ohio State Fair show. Lots to load in/out throughout the week.
- Composting Clinic 8/3
- Wedding 8/8
- OYLE Pig Show 8/9-8/16 – 1,400+ head registered over 4 sessions. Renting pig, goat/sheep barns and HH
- Horse Show 8/15
- Gun-A-Palooza 8/22

### b) Junior Fair Board/Joy Sharp

- JFB had a great year.
- Issues or concerns, let Joy know.
- Had kids stick with working same shows as years before.
- Concession stand had some challenges.
- Project book judging went really well. Were able to help kids that didn't complete books well. Had more opportunity to give feedback and guide to improve books.
- No in person misc. project judging will take place. There will be virtual judging Wed, Th, Fri this week
- Tons of positive comments about livestreaming. Jay Jude expressed his gratitude for Ambrosia and Avalon Havan getting up on lift livestreaming shows. Von said announcers did really well during livestock shows.
- So many were appreciative to have a full fair. So many families expressed their gratitude.
- Need to better organize and give instructions on taking grand champion pics and including king and queen in photos.

### c) Sale Committee/Jeff Wippel

- Sale committee had a great week. Office committee set up good.

- Turned around some challenges from last year. Fewer instances of things that didn't go well this year.
- People want to switch which ones they want to take home. Take-homes process was the biggest challenge. There were a lot more this year because packer bids were so low.
- Meeting week from tonight Mon 7/20.
- Going to discuss going all terminal.
- Sale premiums were just as good as last year.
- Accurate Heating and Cooling going to purchase a board to go behind auction block with seller names.
- Saturday night load out was a challenge.
- Low packer bid for hogs was a challenge.

d) Gun-A-Palooza/Von Cremeans

- Started selling tickets July 1. Online sales going well.
- Still planning full event. Will use goat barn, show pavilion in addition to Heritage Hall.

VI. Old Business - none

VII. New business

a) Fair Debrief/Von Cremeans

- Very well organized. Everyone owned their part and made it work. Went very smooth. So much progress was made. So many improvements. Appreciative of all directors chipping in, doing their part to make it a great fair.
- Camping and golf carts were the biggest challenge. Board may consider eliminating golf carts. Many other fairs do not allow them.
- Got tv screens working later in the week. Was a challenge to get them going, but worked well.
- Many compliments about organization for the cattle barn and show, and horse barn and shows. Infield events were very well organized and ran very smooth. Radio traffic was minimal.
- Demolition derby had 104 cars.
- Attendance Friday was significantly lower. Tuesday attendance was down. No paid advertising for any events. No senior day. No Veterans day.
- Parking was better. Pumpkin Show committee was organized and efficient. Worked out really well.
- There were issues with people wanting to get in the gate for nothing. Everyone was "with the sled puller". Need to send a set # of wristbands/tickets ahead of the day they arrive.

- Need more entertainment during the day that will draw families to come to watch their loved ones perform (dancing, cheerleading, etc.). Need a jr. fair night.
  - Happy with ride vendor. Layout needs changed. Cane game went well.
  - Truck and Tractor pulls. We're paying \$366 per hook for tractors. 15 tractors. We need to negotiate contracts for cost savings. Do not sign a contract at convention.
  - Sean was pleased and appreciative with Marsha Few helping with counting and balancing each night. Went smooth.
  - Need to do a better, thorough post-fair clean up. Barns were not kept clean during fair week and were left a mess after. They need a deep cleaning. Committees need to improve on focusing on cleaning up their barn and around it. Post a cleaning schedule for 4-H clubs during fair week. Incentivize with a pizza night when they arrive to clean up.
- b) Contract Sweepers/Darin Myers
- Contract professional sweepers to clean all around grounds about \$2,000 – after compost clinics and OYLE, before wedding – Fri 8/7
  - Brad Shannon moved. Chris seconded. Motion carried.
- c) Old Electronic Sign/Darin Myers
- Jay Jude moved to donate the old electronic sign to Pickaway Sportsman. Brad Shannon seconded. Motion carried. Scott Pritchard and Sean Mayhugh opposed.
- d) TNT/pressure wash floors in barns/Jay Jude
- Professional cleaning for barns. Getting pricing.
- e) Results of PCAS election/Von Cremeans
- At Large-C/Craig Weiler
  - At Large-D/Randy Smith
  - At Large-F/Jim Pollock
  - City of Circleville/Rhonda Romine
  - Darby/Jim Arledge
  - Harrison/Chris Pence
  - Saltcreek/Jen Hendershot-Capsel
  - Walnut/Von Cremeans
  - Washington/Jody Kidd
- f) Chris Pence moved to go to executive session. Brad Shannon seconded.
- Topic 1 was voted on. Motion carried.
  - Topic 2 was voted on. Motion carried.

VIII. Correspondence

- Saltcreek Livestock 4-H Club gave every director a box of Wittich's candy and 4-H white chocolate sucker along with a thank you card for hard work and dedication.
- Jacob Hawkes sent a thank you card expressing appreciation to senior fair board for hosting a full fair and sponsoring royalty contest.
- Lauren Hodges sent a thank you card expressing appreciation for sponsoring her ribbon.
- Stephanie Patrick sent a card on behalf of Gardenwood Garden Club with a donation of \$762.17
- Walnut Wonder Workers 4-H Club gave every director a box of snacks/goodies and a thank you card expressing gratitude for all the work that went into hosting fair this year.
- Washington Hill Climbers 4-H Club gave every director a roll of toilet paper and \$10 Kroger gift card with a clever note of appreciation for all that was done to have fair with all the challenges. The gift cards will be donated to a local food pantry.

IX. Adjournment - Chris Pence moved to adjourn.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, September 14 @ 7pm

*UPCOMING DATES...*

*\*PCAS Hosts Gun-A-Palooza – Sat. August 22*

*\*PCAS Hosts OFMA District 6 Fall Meeting – Th. November 5*