



**Pickaway County Agricultural Society**  
**Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**December 16, 2019**  
187 DAYS UNTIL FAIR!

*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*

- I. Call to order by President, Von Cremeans at 7pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance led by Chris Pence
- III. Roll Call – Directors not present: Chad Black, Jay Jude (courtesy of notice given), Brad Lutz, Frank Reisinger, Randy Smith
- IV. Special Guests – none present
- V. Secretary Report - November 11, 2019 Meeting Minutes – Chris Pence moved to approve 11/11/19 meeting minutes. Scott Pritchard seconded. Motion carried
- VI. Treasurer Report

PCAS Monthly

- Checking/Pickaway County Banking Center - *\*PCBC account is now closed and all funds transferred to Kingston Bank account as of 11/30/19)*
- Checking/Kingston National Bank \$98,651
- Petty Cash \$100
- Total funds in bank/Kingston National Bank \$98,751
- Income \$66,334
  - Fair week insurance recoveries \$54,825
  - Building Rentals \$10,158
- Expenses \$81,914
  - Fixed barn/roof of barn 7 from storm damage, capital improvements/horse stalls, wash racks \$43,190
    - *Von Cremeans shared that Barn 7 should be available for rent starting January 1, 2020.*
  - Service Contract with Pickaway County/Maintenance (2 months) \$8,956
  - Electric (2 months) \$8,557
    - *Scott Pritchard working with AEP to resolve high bill/usage rate. There is a discrepancy with construction rate vs fairgrounds occupancy rate. Current rate*

*based on county/gov rate (during construction, 36 month third party contract that is unavoidable), not fairgrounds rate (resolution).*

- Chris Pence moved to approve. Scott Pritchard seconded. Motion carried.

#### GAP Monthly

- GAP Checking/Pickaway County Banking Center - *PCBC account is now closed and all funds transferred to Savings Bank account as of 11/30/19*
- GAP Checking/The Savings Bank \$7,454
- Money Markey/The Savings Bank \$40,002
- CD/The Savings Bank \$20,000 \*9 month cd (@ 1.75%) that will expire mid-August
- Total Funds in bank/The Savings Bank \$67,456
- Income \$368
  - Beer that was returned from chili cookoff event \$360
- Expenses \$1,178
  - SFB Christmas event (ice, catering, etc.) \$779
  - Staffing cost – Regina Mayhugh did data entry of over 4,000 GAP tickets into system. Took approximately 68 hours, capped at \$350 max.
- Craig Weiler moved to approve GAP Treasurer’s Report. Darin Myers seconded. Motion carried.

## VII. Committee Reports

### a) Jr. Fair Board/Joy Sharp

- JFB had holiday party Friday, December 13.
- Several JFB members helped with steer weigh-in Saturday, December 14. Best steer weigh-in we’ve ever had. Adults gave instructions, helped teach kids, and kids took ownership and action.
- 21 JFB members going to OFMA Convention. Registration needs to be turned in by end of this week. Joy will send to Sean Mayhugh once finalized. Queen Ambrosia’s application has been submitted.
- Inquired on behalf of 4-H committee whether there will be designated space for 4-H club banners. SFB needs to decide if there will be space for club banners.
- 4 Quality Assurance training sessions scheduled for Westfall on 3/18, Teays Valley 3/31, Logan Elm 4/15, Pickaway Ag & Event Center 4/26.
  - Presenter training will take place February 1. All presenters must go through even if they were trained last year.
  - YQCA (Youth for Quality Care of Animals) online q.a. training available for youth 12 years of age or older for market projects.
    - ODA accepting as q.a.
    - Ages 8-11 would still need to do live/in person training with county.
    - \$12/ea – cost to family
    - 3 modules with pre & post-tests, different levels for different ages. Print off certification to be provided to extension office by May 1, 2020. “Test out” not an option for Ohio. Ohio requires re-certification annually.
    - Pros – another option, convenience for families.

- Cons - won't get acquainted with barn superintendents and won't get county level info.
- SFB needs to decide if this will be offered as an option.
- Adult PQA (Pork Quality Assurance) from packers required for 1 parent of kids that take market swine to state fair.
  - Certification good for 3 years.
  - "As is" q.a. fulfills ODA requirements.
  - Due June 20, also when state fair registrations due
  - Can be done online

b) Livestock & Sale Committee/Von Cremeans

- LSC approved sale of a cheese plate to be sold for dairy cattle exhibitors that cannot sell. Will be split between approximately 3-4 kids. Needs approval by SFB.
- Release times:
  - Hogs Tuesday
  - Horses Sunday
  - All other take home market and breeding animals 6am-9am on Friday.
  - Barn superintendents will not be at each barn, they will be at the gate to check paperwork.
- Beef projects 27 for 2020. There were 16 in 2019. Weigh-in Saturday went really well. Brad Shannon thanked all who helped at weigh-in.
- Brad Shannon going to request LSC purchase \$4,500 load gate at next LSC's meeting.
- Mark List – species committee chairs met last week. Working to get judges finalized. 2020 contract paperwork has been updated and is ready to be distributed.

VIII. Old Business - none

IX. New business

a. OFMA Convention Auction Donation/Christy Pence

- Roger Smith requesting participation from all fairs in District 6 to donating items for OFMA Extravaganza or donate money to go in together on an item/basket. PCAS has donated \$50 in past.
- Mark List suggested putting a larger prize basket together from Pickaway County using local items (ideas: honey, wine, Wittich's, GAP tix) in a basket. Chris Pence moved to donate a prize basket valued at up to \$250 from Pickaway County to OFMA Extravaganza. Scott Pritchard seconded. Motion carried.

b. YQCA (Youth for Quality Care of Animals) online q.a. training for youth ages 12+

- Mark List moved to approve online YQCA as an option for q.a. training for youth 12+ (family to pay \$12 fee) in lieu of free live/in person county training. Chris Pence seconded. Motion carried.

- c. Increase Weekly Pass Price/Chris Pence.
- Chris proposed increase Weekly Exhibitor Pass cost from \$20 to \$25. PCAS membership will remain \$30. Daily general admission cost is \$7 before 4:00pm, \$10 after 4:00pm.
  - Craig Weiler moved to increase cost of Weekly Pass Price to \$25 moved. Chris Pence seconded. Motion carried.
- d. 2019 Annual Financial Report/Sean Mayhugh
- Needs to be submitted to ODA on Thursday, January 2 at OFMA convention.
  - Paper copy distributed to directors in attendance. 2018 to 2019 comparisons.
    - Total income for 2019 was \$1,046,686, compared to \$559,095 in 2018.
      - For consideration, there were no building rentals for 9 months. Rental since August 2019 has been \$16,000+
    - Total expenses for 2019 was \$1,101,829, compared to \$583,849 in 2018.
  - Page 4, Directors need to verify information is accurate. Tracey Rittinger and Craig Justus's names spelled incorrectly. Craig Justus, Randy Smith, and Jennifer Pontious address incorrect.
  - Chris Pence moved to approve 2019 Annual Financial Report, pending changes proposed. Brad Shannon seconded. Motion carried.
- e. Club banners in Heritage Hall/show arena
- 36 4-H clubs. Will get 20-25 banners submitted (several less than 3 years old and cleaned). Need a uniform size. SFB will have to measure and to get better idea of how many can be hung and how to arrange. Tabled for January meeting.
- f. Pulling track/Craig Weiler
- Cargill said that we can have plastic grain pile storage cover when they're done with it to use to cover pulling track to protect from rain. Will have some holes/tears. They buy new every year. We have to pick it up.
- g. Rodeo/Mark List
- Committee met and proposed to have Broken Horn do it again on Th 6/25. Attracts a crowd. Needs to decide by convention. Needs to start at 7pm, not 7:30pm.
  - Event committees need to determine amount of sponsorships needed to cover cost of events, and event sponsorships need to be secured by the event committees, not the general sponsorship committee. Adena is interested in investing in sponsorship.
  - Jennifer Pontious moved to have rodeo on Thursday 6/25 @ 7pm. Craig Weiler seconded Motion carried.

- h. FanCloth logo gear/Christy Pence
- FanCloth has an online logo gear program that is no cost to PCAS. We promote via text/email/social media to have people purchase direct.
  - Once 60-150 items are sold PCAS starts making \$4/item on items sold. If we don't sell at least 60 no money is made, but no money is invested either. Better option than investing hundreds or thousands of dollars in merchandise that may or may not sell. This will give us a good idea of what people are actually interested in to help guide our souvenir buying decisions in the future.
  - Campaign ends January 13, 2020. Can do another one with different items and/or items that sold well closer to fair.
  - Christy will send information to all directors via email.
  - Print catalogs were distributed to directors present and will be available in the fair office. Christy will distribute some print catalogs to extension office and visitor's bureau.
  - Joy Sharp inquired whether Farm Bureau will continue to sponsoring jr. fair shirts.
  - Jim Arledge moved to have PCAS purchase 1 Lightweight Jacket for each board member. Chris Pence seconded. Brad Shannon opposed. Motion carried.
  - Once jackets are received Christy will have a local embroiderer put "Director" on front, opposite of logo. Christy has sizes. If you need to update your size from last year let her know. We will have the same Director shirts as last year.
- i. Bleachers/Craig Weiler
- Granville schools is getting new bleachers in their stadium. Need more for infield to host larger crowds/events. Christy Pence suggested and offered to contact Mike Schmidt for a possible contact to connect with to inquire if they will sell/donate them.
- j. Dairy cattle breeding cheese plate to be sold at Livestock Sale.
- LSC proposed and voted yes on having 1 dairy cheese tray for entire group of approximately 3-4 exhibitors to split who do not get to sell their projects or any other species/projects in the ring for the. No motions made to accept proposal. SFB did not vote to approve or deny.
  - SFB recommended LSC to consider including 2 sales lots of 1 dairy cattle plate + 1 dairy goat plate, and resubmitting proposal to SFB.
- k. Load out days/times
- Jennifer Pontious moved to make horse load out Sunday 6am-10am (new time than previous). Hogs checked out at gate Tuesday 6:30-8am (same time as previous), and all other take home markets and breeding checked out at gate Friday 6-9am (new time than previous). Chris Pence seconded. Motion carried.

- I. County selling grader/Von Cremeans
  - County selling grader and will sell to PCAS for trade in price \$8,000. In good condition. We are the only county affiliate that has used it in the last 4-5 years.
  - Sean Mayhugh moved to purchase the grader from the county for \$8,000. Darin Myers seconded. Motion carried.
  
- X. Correspondence
  - Westfall Education Foundation hosting their annual Party With A Purpose event on Saturday, February 29 at Heritage Hall. SFB members encouraged to attend and support, events hosted onsite when possible
  - OSU Extension/Joy Sharp – thanking us for support of Pickaway County 4-H contributing a gift basket to Chinese Auction.
  - Westfall FFA sent thanks for use of equipment and track for dirt drag.
  - Christmas greetings from PCBC.
  - Hamburg Fireworks send thanks for doing business with them in 2019.
  
- XI. Adjournment Chris Pence moved to adjourn.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, January 13 @ 7pm)

*UPCOMING DATES...*

- \*Junior Fairboard Meeting Sunday, January 12*
- \* Livestock & Sale Committee Meeting – Mon, January 20*
- \* Pickaway 4-H Week – Sun, Jan 26 to Sat, Feb 1*
- \* Quality Assurance Presenter Training Session – Sat, Feb 1*
- \* FanCloth Online Fair Logo Merch Sale ends – Thursday, Feb 7*
- \* Junior Fairboard Meeting – Sun, February 9*
- \*Quality Assurance Training/Westfall HS – Wed, March 18 @ 7-8:30*
- \*Quality Assurance Training/Teays Valley HS – Tu, March 31 @ 7-8:30*
- \*Quality Assurance Training/Logan Elm HS – Wed, April 15 @ 7-8:30*
- \*Quality Assurance Training/Pickaway Ag & Event Center – Sun, April 26 @ 6-7:30*
- \* Skillathon Judging – Th, June 11 & Fri, June 12*
- \* 2020 Pickaway County Fair– Sat June 20 through Sat June 27*
- \*Gun-A-Palooza – Sat, Aug 22*