

DELAWARE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 18, 2014

ATTENDANCE

Present – Jackie Colflesh, Dan Huffman, Don Howard, Brad Jolliff, Larry Moreland, Al Myers, Pat Paykoff, Loren Pool, Frank Reinhard, Aaron Roll, Tom Roll, P.J. Terry, Chip Thomson, T. Thomson, Diane Winters, Harold Wolford, Tom Wright and D.J. Young

Absent – Joe McLead,Carolynn Riggle and Colleen Smith

Ex-Officio – Laryssa Hook present

General Manager – Bill Lowe present

GUESTS

Don Wolf, Jeff Sears, Randy DeVault, Rex Devault, Rick DeVault, Phil Terry, Sherry Thomson, Charles Miley, John Kidwell, Debbie Jackson and Linda Warner

Following the roll call and introduction of guests, Tom Wright presented Don Wolf with a plaque commemorating his many years of service to the fair. Wolf then discussed the numerous areas of the fair that he had worked in and contributed to over the past 20 plus years.

MINUTES

Frank Reinhard moved and Tom Roll seconded the minutes of the October 21st board meeting be approved as printed. The motion carried.

President Chip Thomson then discussed the layout of the meeting's agenda and why there were some changes made to it. He then read a printed statement and asked that it be a part of the month's permanent record.

TREASURERS REPORT

Dan Huffman presented the report. He passed out an Accounts Payable Aging report and an Accounts Receivable Aging report and a Balance Sheet and went over the data contained therein. Tom Wright went over the simulcast profit and loss and discussed how the waging aspect of the fair's finances is calculated and arrived at. Wright then went over Marketing Director Phil Terry's sponsorship report to date. Discussion followed on what monies were still due from various sponsors and how the sponsor process works. Dan Huffman then moved that the board approve payment of all outstanding bills. D.J. Young seconded and the motion carried. Following the financial discussion P.J. Terry moved and Diane Winters seconded the board purchase the rights for \$50,000 to Brown Jug #72 to

be raced in 2017 with all of the purchase price going to the purse. The motion carried. Loren Pool then moved and T. Thomson seconded the board purchase the rights for \$25,000 to Juliette #47 to be raced in 2017 with all of the purchase price going to the purse. The motion carried. Following the vote was a discussion on the ownership of the Jug race by the Brown Jug Society dating back to 1945.

President Thomson proposed that each committee chair fill out a one page synopsis for the Annual Meeting in 2015 that would outline that committee's work and progress made during the year and those committee synopsis' would be handed out to any guest attending the annual meeting, giving them a better idea of the work and progress each committee had made thru the year. Don Howard then moved that each committee be required to submit a report for the annual meeting each year. Brad Jolliff seconded and the motion carried.

Thomson handed out a listing of the various committees asking that board members look over where they had been assigned and to get back with him if any changes needed to be made. He asked that each committee chair prepare a written report each month describing when the committee met, who attended and what was discussed.

Thomson then suggested that since committee assignments were not completely finalized that instead of the typical committee report that each person at the table would be called on and asked to comment or report on something regarding committee.

General Manager discussed the upcoming Ohio Fair Managers Association Convention to be held in Columbus January 8th thru the 11th.

Frank Reinhard of the Finance Committee talked about the sponsorship report and the committee's desire to nail down the final numbers by the end of the year.

D.J. Young reported that the Budget Committee would need preliminary numbers from each committee by December 8th.

Pat Paykoff discussed winterizing the race track, doing grading work at barns and Roads in various locations. He also displayed the plans for new 4H building that were recently drawn by Delaware Building Systems.

P.J. Terry talked about the need to meet with Steve Lewis from the county in regard to a new phone system for the fairgrounds.

Tom Wright reported on the possibility of joining the new Ohio Fair Racing Circuit. He handed out a breakdown of the positives and negatives of doing so, with the positives being clearly a great advantage for the fair and virtually no negatives being involved. Following the discussion, Wright moved and Al Myers seconded the Delaware County Fair become a member of the Ohio Fair Circuit. The motion carried.

Loren Pool discussed his accident in 2014 when he broke his leg and that with his recovery he hoped to be able to contribute more in 2015.

Al Myers congratulated Debbie Jackson and Linda Warner for their excellent work in running the Employment Office during the 2014 fair.

In new business, President Thomson announced that the schedule for board meetings in 2015 would remain the third Tuesday of each month, except for September, when it would take place on Tuesday September the 8th.

Thomson informed the board and guests that there was a need to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Tom Roll so moved and Diane Winters Seconded. The motion carried.

Larry Moreland moved to return to regular session, noting that no decisions were made. D.J. young seconded and the motion carried.

In regular session, Larry Moreland brought up the idea of changing the time of board meetings during the winter months of December thru March from 7:00PM to 6:00PM. Following a short discussion, Moreland moved the start time be changed to 6:00PM. Aaron Roll seconded. A vote by a show of hands was taken with 12 voting to make the change and 6 voting against the change.

There being no further business, Larry Moreland moved and Jackie Colflesh seconded the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

Chip Thomson, President

Bill Lowe, General Manager

