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# Senior Fair Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 11, 2018  
Defiance EMA Building @7:00pm

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## Attendees

Donia Anderson	E	Renae Cottrell	X	Bridget Ruppert	X
Gary Backhaus	X	Emily Ellsworth	X	Jerry Sanders	E
Tracey Backhaus	X	Angie Etchen (7:01pm)	X	Ben Sandleben	X
Jeff Binder	E	Jeremy Limber	X	Jerry Sheets	X
Yvonne Blosser	X	Desirae Mack	E	Carol Sines (7:18pm)	X
Brian Chittenden	X	Joel Retcher	X	Mitch Troyer	E
Kate Chittenden	X	Larry Retcher	X	Nicole Walters	X
Michael Cline	E	Breanna Richards	X	Lavon Wiles	X
Deb Cocke	E	Jeff Rohlf (7:05pm)	X	Kayleigh Zolman	X

## Agenda

### Called to Order

Vice President Jeremy Limber called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. The pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

### Secretary's Report

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1. Annual Meeting Minutes needs the date changed from 2017 to 2018.
2. **Motion** by Nicole: Make changes needed to the Annual Meeting Minutes for the date and abstain from reading the minutes.  
**Seconded** by Yvonne.  
Motion **Passed**.
3. **Motion** by Gary: Approve and Abstain from reading the Senior Fair Board Minutes from the November meeting.  
**Seconded** by Kate.  
Motion **Passed**.

## Financial Report

1. Reconciliation Summary Report as of December 7, 2018: Ending Balance of Bank Statement is \$7,858.68. After uncleared transactions, register ending balance is \$1,404.38.
2. Added Bills: Straight Line Fencing (\$55.00), CV power out (\$196.45), Postmaster for stamps (\$50.00), OMFA Convention Costs including 2019 Queen competition entry fee (\$980+hotel)
3. Funds need switched from the Monkey Market to our Checking. \$25,000 will carry us through for bills. After discussion of extra costs for convention, the amount was changed to \$30,000.
4. Christmas Cruise Thru Paid both payments, totaling \$4,666.00.
5. Reimburse Mary Bishop for her purchase of Personal Liability insurance.
6. **Motion** by Brian: Approve the financial report.  
**Seconded** by Tracey.  
Motion **Passed**.  
**Motion** by Brian: Allow Julie to pay the bills.  
**Seconded** by Nicole.  
Motion **Passed**.  
**Motion** by Joel: Allow Julie to take \$30,000 from Money Market and place into our checking to carry us through for bills.  
**Seconded** by Jerry Sheets.  
Motion **Passed**.  
**Motion** by Kayleigh: Cover the entry fee for 2019 Queen competition at OFMA Convention.  
**Seconded** by Brian.  
Motion **Passed**.  
**Motion** by Brian: Reimburse Mary Bishop \$11.00 from her insurance payment.

**Seconded** by Larry.

Motion **Passed**.

## Correspondence:

1. Entertainment Flyer: Michael Griffin-America's Escape Hero (Columbus, Ohio) 614-354-4392
2. Vender Flyer: Gary Gould-Laser Tag (Hammersville, Ohio) 937-515-7445

## Guests:

1. Mary Bishop-Insurance Reimbursement (\$11.00)
2. Sheriff's Office (Bill M.)-Nothing to report

## Committees:

1. Executive Committee: Provided everyone with committee list. Pete Mendese (sound) attended Executive Board Meeting about discussion of a 3-year contract at no additional pay increase than previous year.
2. Fix Committee List: Jerry Sanders is Livestock Chairman, Yvonne needs added to Sale committee.
3. Golf Carts: Tracey discussed the option of re-booking the company from previous year while at convention.

**Motion** by Larry: Allow Tracey to sign contract at convention with the same golf cart company as previous year.

**Seconded** by Ben.

Motion **Passed**.

4. Entertainment: Nicole discussed that she has secured a sled for antique tractor pulls, that is all paid for. The event can only run on Sunday of fair. This topic is tabled until Entertainment committee has finalized entertainment following convention. Entertainment also discussed the need to sign the contract with KOI for the Truck Drags.

**Motion** by Joel: Allow the contract to be signed for KOI Truck Drags for the first Saturday of fair.

**Seconded** by Nicole.

Motion **Passed**.

5. Goats: Discussed that there are more goats at our fair and they are out of pens. Yvonne stated that the Goat Barn Account has \$1,428.71 to cover half the cost of new pens and will need that number matched in order to buy new pens. Mitch Troyer has volunteered to haul the pens from Missouri.

**Motion** by Carol: Have the Senior Fair Board match the amount of the Goat Barn Account contribution and order new goat pens.

**Seconded** by Emily.

Motion **Passed**.

6. Social Media: Discussed a need to put a flyer out on our social media for our Auxiliary and volunteer hours that are available for those to put towards their requirements to join the senior fair board. (Please see "notes" for more information) Breanna discussed needing 16 day passes and 4 season passes to be used for the Facebook Contests.

**Motion** by Carol: Allow Social Media committee to use 16 day passes and 4 season passes to the 2019 Defiance County Fair for Facebook Contests.

**Seconded** by Yvonne.

Motion **Passed**.

7. Livestock: There are a few uncashed checks. Jeremy and Julie will check into those checks. Livestock dates were given from Teresa Johnson. (Please see "notes" for a list of all dates given).

## Old Business

1. Dues (\$8) & Personal Liability (\$11) need to be paid to the secretary.
2. Those attending OMFA Convention are to reimburse their \$50.00 if they are not able to attend convention for whatever reason. Members attending are: Lavon, Gary, Deb, Tracey, Mike, Jeremy, Angie, Carol, Breanna. Final paperwork will be submitted to OFMA by Friday, December 14, 2018.
3. Pricing for manure at race horse barn was discussed. It was suggested to raise stall rent. The senior fair board decided to table this discussion until the rental committee could come up with a solution. Jeremy will follow-up with the committee to ensure a solution has been reached.

## New Business

1. The board received a three-year Contract Proposal from Burton Brothers. Their contract would be dated August 18th-24th, 2019 and no operation on the Saturday at the start of fair is an option for either year of the contract. The contract Proposal expires January 6, 2019.

**Motion** by Angie: Sign the contract with Burton Brothers, before the expiration date, if we are unable to find another ride company at the OMFA convention.

**Seconded** by Tracey.

Motion **Passed**.

2. Entertainment committee discussed the option of moving Truck Pulls to Friday of fair, with approval from Horse Racing rules and regulations being able to change their dates to Tuesday and Thursday of fair. (Please see "notes" for schedule changes)

**Motion** by Carol: Allow Truck Pulls to change dates to the Friday of fair and swap

Harness Racing to Thursday.

**Seconded** by Angie.

Motion **Passed**.

3. Discussed the House Bill 312 for conflicts with places of employment and new proposal for credit cards for all Agricultural Societies.
4. Discussed the Sound proposal from Pete Mendese. Pete would like a three-year contract for the same price from the previous year. He will observe the grounds for any updates or improvements that need to be made, provide the board with a list and cost before any changes are made.

**Motion** by Joel: Approve Pete Mendese's three-year contract for sound.

**Seconded** by: Nicole.

Motion **Passed**.

5. Discussed the need for approval to advertise for bids for: Gates, Janitorial, and Electrical. Gates discussed needing to wait until after OMFA convention to confirm their bid advertisement. We discussed waiting until all three contracts were ready in January before posting in the paper.

**Motion** by Kate: Approve the Janitorial and Electrical bids to be advertised in January after we have all three bids complete.

**Seconded** by Tracey.

Motion **Passed**.

6. Horse Racing Report: We are number 6th in Ohio counties for Horse Racing with 160 horses.
7. Kate attended the District Meeting. They discussed financial reports (there's a need to write to our senators about allowing us to post financial reports somewhere more cost efficient) and they discussed OFMA Director changes in how they are chosen. See Kate for more information.

## Motion to Adjourn

1. **Motion** by Larry: Adjourn the meeting.

**Seconded** by Jerry Sheets.

Motion **Passed**.

## Notes

- Volunteer Hours: Please submit days with times and locations that you'd like volunteers to help for fair. These hours will count towards the hours needed in order to run for a position on the board. Your dates and times can be submitted via email or text to Ben or Breanna.
- Livestock Dates:  
January 27, 2019-BCI Checks at Ext Office 1:30PM.  
February 27, 2019-Livestock Committee Meeting at Ext Office 6:30PM.  
June 1, 2019-Central Tagging  
July 8, 2019-Skillathon-all barn superintendents and assistants  
August 12, 2019-Livestock Committee Mtg. at Fairgrounds 6:30PM.  
August 17-24, 2019-Defiance County Fair 6:30PM  
October 16, 2019-Livestock Committee Mtg

## Notes (continued)

- Changes to the schedule of fair are as follows:  
Saturday-KOI Truck Drags  
Sunday-To be Determined  
Monday-Parade of Bands  
Tuesday-Harness Racing  
Wednesday-Ultimate Cheer Competition  
Thursday-Harness Racing  
Friday-Truck Pulls  
Saturday-Demolition Derby

## Action Items

1. Please submit ANY photos or information (with placement specification) for our website to Jerry Sander's sister at koenig@nwoet.org.
2. Any important information or photos that you'd like to be considered for posting on our social media, please submit to Breanna or Ben via Email or Facebook Messenger.



## Next Meeting

Tuesday, January 8, 2019 @7:00pm.

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Respectfully submitted by,

Breanna Richards

2018-2019 Secretary