

Richland County Agricultural Society

Executive Board Meeting

November 26, 2024

Meeting was called to order by President James Schaub II at 5:30 p.m.

Guests present: Remington Blevins, Carol Toms and Pam Young

Becca Gregg reported:

- The Black Cat show has been at the fairgrounds for 15 years and have never paid a cleaning fee.
- She was directed to put a cleaning fee on all future contracts and if those groups who have been here for quite some time complain because they have never had one before, take it off. However, if they leave the building and/or grounds a mess then they will be charged for clean-up.
- The Shawn Wedding was held on November 1, 2024. They are requesting a refund for use of the Nature Park as they did not use it. **David Dick made the motion to reimburse them \$125.00. Gene Esbenshade seconded the motion. Motion carried.**
- The Chamber of Commerce is requesting to have dogs at their Business Expo this coming year. The dogs would be there for adoption. It was the general consensus that there should not be any problems as long as they clean up after the dogs.

David Dick reported:

- Livestock committee has paid their bills and they received \$150,000.00 from Milliron Foundation.
- He is reviewing the by-laws and our rules to see which ones may have to be changed/updated.
- Dave was reminded that Phil and Kenny need to get all of their stuff out of the new arena.

Jim asked if anyone had asked the Shelby Foundation for any money for the show arena. It was reported that yes, they will be helping with Phase 2 of the building, bleachers, the overhang and the siding around the building.

Dave Grauer reported:

- He has been in contact with 2 different companies in regards to the bleachers. He is trying to get a discount and see which one has the better ones. It has been recommended that we get the automatic bleachers so we don't have to man-handle them to put them away.

Bill McFarland reported:

- Winter Storage went well. We may have 1 or 2 additional units to come in.
- There will be a gentleman at the board meeting to discuss the possibility of holding a Truck Show Extravaganza here in September 2025. He will be asking for a lesser price for use of the entire fairgrounds and campgrounds than what Becca gave him.

Kathi Cutlip-Mills reported:

- She has received the contract for the drapes for the fairgrounds and it is for 5 years. She has it on the agenda for the board meeting.

Christy Keith reported:

- She wanted to know if the Auxiliary could have outlets put in all of the buildings for the popcorn machine. Gene Esbenshade shared that the auxiliary had voted to have outlets put in Fairhaven Hall, the Arts & Crafts and the Youth Hall. The Ex. Board agreed that Phil could put plugs in these buildings.

Jim Schaub reported:

- There is a meeting at the Richland Health Department on Friday, December 13, 2024, about INC if anyone would like to join him. The meeting is in the Corley Room at 10:00 A.M.

Meeting adjourned at 6:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by
Kathryn Cutlip-Mills Secretary