

RICHLAND COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES

June 24, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Christy Keith.

Members present: President Christy Keith, V. President Tom Craft, Immediate-Past President James Schaub II, Dave Grauer, Kathi Cutlip-Mills, Gene Esbenshade, Bill McFarland and Dale Bemiller.

Dale Bemiller reported that he has 6 entries so far for the Weiner Dog Race. He shared that he has had 5 calls about the horse barns. People are looking for wash racks. He explained to them that we do not furnish hot water.

Dave Grauer reported that the inside and outside of the Grandstand has been painted, except the ends of the Grandstand and there are a couple other areas that need touched up. The inside needs swept out prior to Monster Truck. There was stuff stored under the grandstand and it has been moved to the poultry barn for the time being. The stuff from the poultry people can be stored in a different location. He is getting parts for the water hydrants that need fixed. One of the hydrants is fixed, he tore it apart and was able to fix it. The sewer line that was creating a problem was dug up and fixed. He told people to clean out the wash areas. The Infield has been mowed. He sprayed around the fence, poles and all the areas that had weeds. The things in the old electrical room needs sorted and if we can't use it, it needs to go. The aluminum and copper need to be sorted. Maybe Mamie's friend will carry it away. We have at least 2, maybe 3 racks of the old metal chairs. We need to try to sell these.

Jim Schaub II reported that the ice machine under the Grandstand is ready to go. The fire marshal is scheduled to be here on August 1, 2025 for an inspection. The drainage lines need to be jetted. The Dog people said they were very happy with everything. There were lots of complements on the grounds and buildings. Cody has not been in to do anything! The work he is supposed to have done needs to be done ASAP!

Tom suggested that we give Cody a "drop dead" date. It was agreed that the date would be July 10, 2025.

Gene Esbenshade reported that there are a lot of things happening with the concert. Sponsors are still coming in and we are trying to get things buttoned down. The Kitchen Auxiliary voted to reimburse the Board the cost of the garbage disposal in the Youth Hall. The dumpsters need to get out and ready. We will need to have 4 – 40 yard dumpsters for INK. We need to get a contract with Flenner.

Bill McFarland reported that they are working on some different classes for the tractor pull this year. He has talked with Lisa and she can make a flier for the tractor pull listing all of the classes. He is currently working with Mike Snider on other things for the pulls.

Christy Keith reported that Dakota with the diesel truck event has paid the deposit. He is still planning to have a burn-out pit by the Grandstand. Dakota is supposed to pay us \$5.00 for each ticket sold.

Dave Grauer shared that the county said they could come out and seal the area by the Grandstand.

Kathi Cutlip-Mills reported that concession contracts are slow coming in. She has contacted all that were supposed to have received them and many have said that they did not get any, so replacements have been sent out. Booth spaces will be given out on a first-come, first-serve basis.

The Sheep & Goat committee need things graded out and concrete poured by July 10, 2025.

Christy Keith is going to contact Mark to find out when he is going to start advertising for the concert.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathi Cutlip-Mills,
Secretary