

April 9, 2024

The Butler County Agricultural Society met for their regular monthly meeting on April 9, 2024, at 6:00 pm at the fairgrounds. President Turner called the meeting to order. At roll call the following members were present Turner; Bittner; Gerber; Green; Idle; Mignery; Ross; Simpson; Vollmer and Wells. The minutes of the March 12 meeting were approved as read. Mignery moved to accept the financial statements, second by Green, motion carried. Gerber moved to pay all monthly bills, including payroll. Mignery second the motion, motion carried. Turner reported Gary Gabbard has been cleaning the saw lines in the concrete floors of the art hall and filling them with epoxy to make cleaning the floors easier. The posts at Charlie's need to be cut off or pulled out and the holes filled in. Turner received a bid of \$40,000.00 from Gary Gabbard to put metal the bottom of the swine showing barn, and 1X12's on the top of the sides, and new doors on the front and back. The board toured the grandstand and viewed the work being done, as well as issues that need to be repaired. The board will remove all the old wooden walls and ticket booths under the grandstand to allow Trisco access to make these repairs. Simpson moved to authorize Turner up to \$60,000.00 to make these repairs. Second by Wells, motion passed. Turner has a meeting with Rick Stemphey, to get a bid on new blacktop under the grandstands. Mignery moved to allow Turner to negotiate the rentals on the box seats in the front of the grandstands, with \$1000.00 per week being the starting price. Carrie Robinson reported Butler Cuntty Soil and Water will have their annual tree sale and asked if they should be charged for using the space. Simpson moved to charge Soil and Water \$23.00 per foot rental fee. Second by Green, motion carried. Chris Turner reported the 501C3 paperwork is completed and everything is in order. Boat and camper pick up will be April 27 from 9:00 until 12:00. The work on the new website is moving forward and should be live by May1, 2024. With no further business to discuss Mignery moved to adjourn, second by Green. The board will meet on May 14, 2024 at 6:00 pm at the fairgrounds.