

## June 9, 2020

The Butler County Agricultural Society met for their regular meeting on June 9, 2020 at 7:00 pm at the fairgrounds. At roll call the following members were present Turner; Bittner; Gerber; Hiltbrand; Mignery; Robinson; Simpson; Vollmer and Wells. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. Mignery moved to accept the financial statements, second by Gerber motion passed. Simpson moved to pay all monthly bills, second by Mignery motion passed. Turner reported the Ag society received a check from the insurance company in the amount of \$10,287.00 for trees lost in the storm prior to the 2019 Butler County fair. Wells reported that the fund raises efforts had seen some success. As of today, June 9, over \$16,000.00 had been raised with more donations expected. Turner talked to Triple Treats, and they were not going to set up rides at any fairs for the 2020 fair season. The Butler County Health department is going to meet with board members on Thursday June 12 at 9:00 am. They want to see where the show rings will be setup and how the flow of people will work. They also want to see the grandstands. Mignery reported the goat association has been working to raise donations for the fair. So far they have raise approximately \$2000.00. Mignery stated that there will have to be two days of goat shows. There is no way to have all the shows and fit them into one day. Turner stated the pigs will also need two days for shows as well. Nick Forrest presented ideas to the board for drive-in shows, gate admissions and a virtual livestock sale. Wells reported on concessions. Most vendors are willing to bring one or two trailers. The local vendors are also interested in setting up at the fair. They were not in favor of setting up in the main parking lot and having the public admittance in the evenings. Gerber reported on the horse department. They will keep their three days Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for their shows. According to Simpson the small animals will not participate in the 2020 Butler County fair. Erin Simpson-Sloan said they were working on how to social distance and traffic flow for all the special interest and FCCLA judging. The June 13 deadline for animal entry forms is not possible with all the changes and uncertainty. Wells moved all junior fair entries are due June 27, 2020 by 4:00 pm. Second by Mignery, motion passed. Mignery moved to charge all junior fair participants \$15.00 per entry. Second by Bittner, motion passed. Wells moved to offer camping at 2020 Butler County fair for \$275.00 per camper for the entire week. This price will include water and electric. Camper applications must be turned into the fair office no later than June 27 at 4:00 pm. Second by Robinson, motion passed. Hiltbrand moved gate admission be \$5.00 for everyone except junior fair participants enter free of charge. Second by Gerber, motion passed. Wells moved all campers receive wristbands for entry into the fair. Up to 10 wristbands per camper. Second by Mignery, motion passed. Mignery moved to go into executive session. Second by Simpson, motion passed. Wells moved to leave executive session, second by Vollmer motion passed. Simpson moved to bring the office staff back to work. Second by Mignery, motion passed. Wells moved the Butler County fair is no longer cancelled. There will be a modified junior fair. Second by Vollmer motion passed. With no further business Mignery moved to adjourn second by Gerber. The board will meet for a call meeting June 23, 2020 at 700 pm at the fairgrounds.