

November 11, 2025

The Butler County Agricultural Society met for their regular monthly meeting on November 11, 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; Wells and attorney Steve Tooman. The minutes of the October 14 meeting were approved as read. Turner announced the results of the election. Gerber; Idle; Ross and Vollmer were all elected to three (3) year terms. Turner then turned the meeting over to Tooman. The newly elected directors were sworn in. Tooman opened the floor for nominations for President. Simpson nominated Turner, second by Vollmer. Gerber moved to close nominations, second by Simpson, motion carried, Turner was elected President. Tooman opened the floor for nominations for Vice President. Idle nominated Gerber, second by Mignery. Simpson moved to close nominations, second by Turner, motion carried, Gerber was elected Vice President. Tooman opened the floor for nominations for Treasurer. Vollmer nominated Bittner, second by Green. Gerber moved to close nominations, second by Turner, motion carried. Bittner was elected Treasurer. Tooman opened nominations for Secretary. Turner nominated Vollmer, second by Green. Simpson moved to close nominations, second by Gerber, motion carried. Vollmer was elected Secretary. Tooman swore in the newly elected officers and turned the meeting over to President Turner. Simpson moved to go into executive session to discuss legal matters with council. Second by Gerber. Roll call vote was unanimous to go into executive session. Simpson moved to leave executive session, second by Mignery, motion carried. John Finley, the new sound guy, introduced himself to the board. He discussed things that went well at the 2025 Butler County fair and things that will change and need improvements. He wants prerecorded announcements for sponsors to be played during the fair; he needs those at least a week before the 2026 fair so he can get them recorded. He will set everything up the Tuesday and Wednesday before the fair. Mignery moved to accept the financial statements, second by Ross, motion carried. Gerber moved to pay all monthly bills, including payroll. Second by Mignery, motion carried. Wells moved to take \$500.00 out of the \$5000.00 donation from First Financial Bank and give it to the horse department to help pay for ribbons. Second by Mignery, motion carried. Vollmer moved to pay Same Day Wildlife Removal \$1010.00 for two years of service. Second by Simpson, motion carried. Simpson moved to split the cost for a bus to the OFMA convention in Columbus on January 17 with Warren County. Second by Green, motion passed. Chris Turner reported that the office is using a new program to make changes in the fair book for the coming year. She is sending a certified letter to Katie from the culinary department to send in the judging results from the 2025 fair. Ross reported that the Meat Goat Association will have a show in September and will use the show ring in the dairy barn. Simpson moved to close the books on November 30, 2025. Second by Vollmer, motion carried. Simpson moved to pay the directors \$1500.00. Second by Gerber, motion carried. Scott Arnold asked if there was a way for non-livestock exhibitors to receive bonus bucks. Suggested each department be able to sell something in the livestock sale. The board discussed different ways to do the add-ons and will discuss this more at the December meeting. With no further business to discuss Mignery moved to adjourn, second by Ross. The board will meet for their regular monthly meeting on December 9, 2025, at 6:00 pm at the fairgrounds.