

October 14, 2025

The Butler County Agricultural Society met on October 14, 2025, at 6:00 pm at the fairgrounds for their regular monthly meeting. President Turner called the meeting to order; at rollcall the following members were present Turner; Bittner; Gerber; Green; Idle; Mignery; Ross; Simpson; Vollmer and Wells. The minutes of the September 9th meeting were approved as read. Gerber moved to accept the financial statements, second by Green, motion carried. Gerber moved to pay all monthly bills, including payroll. Second by Ross, motion carried. Gerber, Idle, Ross and Vollmer filled out petitions to run for reelection. Jackie Ponder from the Meat Goat Association asked the board if there were any projects the association could help with. Putting metal on the ceiling or painting the goat barn bathrooms were suggested. Jenny Tussey, from the Art Hall asked to increase judges pay up to \$100.00 for sewing and crochet and \$150.00 for quilts. She would also like to increase premiums for quilts to 1st place-\$6; 2nd place-\$5; 3rd place-\$4 and 4th place \$3; all other premiums would be 1st place-\$5; 2nd place-\$4; 3rd place-\$3; 3rd place-\$3 and 4th place-\$2. Sonia Lightfield from the fine arts department asked if the judges' pay could increase to \$100.00 and premiums be 1st place-\$5; 2nd place-\$4; 3rd place-\$3 and 4th place \$2. Best in show would receive \$10. Simpson moved to accept the proposal, second by Green, motion carried. The copy machine in the office is no longer working. After discussion Mignery moved to purchase a new copy machine from Pro Source for \$4900.00. Second by Idle, motion carried. Carrie Robinson reported that Butler County will have a tire recycling drop off at the fairgrounds on October 25th. She also received an email from the City of Hamilton Chamber of Commerce that they are having a new Bridal District and want to showcase event venues. Ross moved to pay \$365 to be included on the website for the new bridal district. Second, by Wells, motion carried. Green moved to pay Schenck Accounting \$912.50 for preparing tax documents. Second by Mignery, motion carried. Gerber presented the board with a quote from Dingleline to tear down and remove the junior fair swine and sheep barns for \$13,900.00. \$18,000.00 for material for a building pad, and \$6000.00 to build the building pad. After paying \$140,000.00 towards the new building the mortgage is under \$500,000.00. With no further business to discuss, Mignery moved to adjourn, second by Green. The board will meet for their regular meeting on November 11, 2025 at 6:00 pm at the fairgrounds.