Meeting was called to at 7:30 By Champer. Roll call was taken. All members were present except for Tony, Quinton, George, Amy, and Kyle. Jodi Gave the treasure report and went over the balance sheet. Motion to accept was made by Dave. Seconded by Duane. Motion passed. April minutes were reviewed and motion to accept was made by Duane. Seconded by Jodi. Motion passed.

## Guests:

Laura Sutherly was the only guest. She is the designer of the new website and presented the new design to the board. She made mention of the change in direction for the website to go away from only focusing on the week of fair, but to advertise the fairgrounds as a year-round facility. There will be more emphasis of the fair during fair time. Not all functions are working currently, but all fair essentials will go live on Monday. The website will continue to be a work in progress and grow with the fairgrounds.

Michelle with the First United Methodist Church of Mt. Sterling. Wants to bring the church in and conduct a service the Sunday prior to fair to bless the exhibitor's livestock. It will be informal and open to everyone. They have no preferences on location. Motion was moved by Duane and seconded by Jodi. Motion passed.

## JFB Report:

Kirsten stated that all committees met tonight at their meeting and are on track for everything for fair. Trophies are being ordered. Banners have been ordered. Ribbons have been ordered. The Extension office will be putting out an email to all families regarding the new website going live along with the link to register all projects through Show3works. Judy Gallimore asked to use the open goat barn for the alpacas. There was an increase in alpacas to 21 this year from last year's 7. Motion to accept was made by Duane and seconded by Dave. Motion passed.

## **Committee Reports:**

## Sales Committee:

Joe mentioned the new hog scales are in. Someone needs to go pick them up.

Marketing: Nothing new

Entertainment: Nothing new.

Grange: Nothing new

**Open Livestock:** We are working on securing all judges for the open shows. Jodi needs contracts for all open show judges.

<u>Harness Racing</u>: Jodi needed approval to continue the harness racing contracts at the same price as last year. Motion was made to approve by Dave and seconded by Jodi. Motion Passed.

<u>Old Business</u>: Darrell brought up the printing of the fairbook. He is going to look into a total cost to print this year's fairbook in limited quantities. Discussion with Kirsten about key leaders and advisors wanting books.

There are some companies interested in advertising on our website. Darrell is going to ask Laura Sutherly how that could be done and what an appropriate amount would be to charge.

Swine flu results from last year's fair have come in, but will be announced at June meeting when Tony is there to explain it.

Background checks are still tabled. Duane has been working with the prosecutor to put something together in a cohesive way for the June meeting.

<u>New Business</u>: Bob has been contacted by the St. Patrick's church inquiring on projects/volunteer work that the fairgrounds may want done starting the Sunday after fair. They have a group of adults who are wanting to donate time to these types of projects. If anyone has anything they would like done at the fairgrounds, please let Bob know.

Bob is working on the golf carts for the fair, as well as, a replacement for the golf cart that the fair currently owns and doesn't run.

Dave mentioned obtaining insurance for the week of fair for weather.

Rabbit and Poultry building update: Dave said all of the glass and storage shelving has been moved to the historical building in case we wish to use it later. He requested \$2,000.00 to build a new wall with a garage door for the end of the building. They tried to restore the old wall, but was unable to do so. He already has the stamped architectural plan ready to go. Motion was moved by Jodi and seconded by Brian. Motion passed.

Board vacancy: There is one vacancy and 2 people were interested. One person backed out. That now leaves Ed LeGault. Duane read a letter/statement as to why Ed is interested in the vacancy. He wishes to support the Showworks application as well as support the kids involved in 4H and FFA. Motion was moved by Duane and seconded by Dave. Motion passed. Ed was voted in for the remainder of this fair year. His term will end in November, 2018. He will need to rerun during fair for a 3 year term.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dave Monin. Seconded by Duane. Motion passed.