March 24, 2025 Meeting of the Darke County Rabbit Committee

The Darke County Rabbit Committee meet March 24, 2025 with the following members present: Dan Arling, Morgan Aultman, Amanda Behee, Holly Daughtery, Velvet Grow, April Mendenhall, Angie Parker, Christina Parker, Heidi May, Mollie Case, Sophia Aultman, Katelynn Micheal, Isley Demange, Doug Jones, Heather Jones, Kenny Schilling, and Irene Rismiller.

Secretary and treasurer reports were given. In checking we have \$13,371.25 and in the scholarship savings account we have \$6,868.00.

In the Junior Fairboard report, the Showman of Showmen will be on Thursday with some breeds being on Wednesday. They are also bringing back the Junior Fairboard assistants to help with the running of the shows.

In the Spring Rabbit show we made a profit of \$1,301.19. Income was \$5,868.43 and expenses were \$4,567. 24. Morgan said she was going to talk to the Senior Fairboard about the rent for the Youth building. The Horse Committee pays \$75 plus utilities for their Tack Show and we pay between \$500 and \$550. Heidi talked about coming up with a budget for the different committees for the show.

Our next show will be March 15, 2025. Food is Rabbit Habbit, Raffle is Ansonia Animal. And Entries are Rabbit Raisers and Show Hoppers. The Junior Fairboard will take care of the Silent Auction.

We then talked about awards for Outstanding Exhibitor Awards. Heather Jones brought up the idea of belt buckles. She brought along some examples of belt buckles. After some discussion, Katelynn moved and Mollie seconded that we have the following

4 1st -belt buckle with a rabbit on it and purple stone

2nd - 3 hole carrier

3rd - 2 hole carrier

4th - 1 hole carrier

5th - 1 hole carrier for all three classes - Senior, Intermediate and Junior. M/P Angie will detail the carriers.

We then talked about Skillathon. We will need around 14 people to help at the stations. We will use the same breed pictures as last year and add the new breeds.

It was suggested to get some new white out boards to write breeds on during shows.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, July 10 at 6:30 in the cattle Pavillion. Use gate 3 since the Power of the Past is going on and the other gates will be charging admission.

Respectfully submitted by Irene Rismiller