

Lincoln County Fair Board Minutes
July 11, 2017

Board Members Present: Gerry Stiles, Teresa Chrisman, Jennifer Lewis, Justine Winn, Brad Ray, John Merriott

Members Absent: Paul Knittel, Mike Brown, Brad Sweet

Others Present: Dawn Canfield, Commissioner Scott Hutsell, Patra Canfield

Gerry called the meeting to order at 6:50pm.

The minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting on June 13, 2017 were approved.

Patra Canfield presented her idea of creating a video for pet rescue involving individuals who participate in the Fair. Will write up a proposal detailing and establish guidelines of what she would like to include in the video and the involvement of the Fair.

Commissioner Scott Hutsell discussed the grant the EDC has been working on will be used to evaluate the needs and design of the Fairgrounds. The County Commissioners would like to see the grounds generate more revenue. One way of generating revenue is adding offices for WSU and EDC. The grant will help to pay for an evaluation of the Fairgrounds as well as pay for a consultant to help determine the best possible solution for generating a continual flow of revenue. Scott mentioned that the Commissioners want to help build a stronger functional and revenue producing Fairgrounds.

Justine explained Michelle Hennings from the 4-H Youth Drill team from Ritzville wants to a practice fun at the Fair on Saturday night. No one objected to this event happening.

Justine also updated that Queen Ty has been going to scheduled events, such as parades and rodeos.

Additionally, Justine would like to know if she needs to buy buckles.

Jennifer discussed the possibility of having a BBQ dinner in October. She has been talking to Sharon Nighswonger from the Friends of the Fair about different ideas of date, food and advertising. The cost of the dinner would be \$25.00. Voise in Odessa could be a provider for steaks, offering a price between \$3-\$7 per steak. The Booster Club in Odessa would make twice baked potatoes and the Friends of the Fair would provide a no host bar. Silent auction items would be collected by Board members and send Queen Ty to businesses to collect silent auction items. A date was set for October 7th, as well as the decision to purchase top sirloin steaks for the dinner. Tickets need to be sold by the date of the Board meeting in September to get an accurate count of steaks.

Brad Ray mentioned the Board should create a list of things that need to be done before, during and after the Fair as well as how to address board members who are not attending meetings. Gerry will get with Loren to determine what should be on the list of things to do for the Fair.

John spoke about the EWJRA scheduled for July 22nd and 23rd. Still trying to locate an announcer and timer as well in need of donated hay. The suggestion was made he contact Dave Hubbard about donating hay. He does have volunteers for all areas of the rodeo. John will be here July 21st to clean shuts and fix any problems with the chutes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, July 11th at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Samantha Canfield, Office Manager