

Minutes of the Board meeting, Lincoln County Fair Association, held December 4, 1972, in the office of Larry Brown at the Extension Building, Deavenport.

The meeting was opened by President Plotts.

Reading of the minutes followed, with approval as read, for Nov. 13 meeting.

The President reported on the State Fair Convention in Olympia. He said "Lincoln County Fair has no 'horse problems' (meaning, compared to others), and that he had sat in on Manager's meetings and heard much discussion." Some make a stall charge of \$5 per horse; others are setting number of animals, so many to a pen. Horses are a big problem, but it is expected to get much larger, not smaller. Some fairs are building "homes for horses", with grounds supervisors in charge. Disposal of horse manure and straw is not the cost problem that it is here. It is a \$70-million enterprise, on the increase, expected to double in next 8 years. (Bill Bailey concurred.)

Discussion on how to arrive on attendance count; also question as to whether Parade premiums can be paid for from revolving account. Lincoln County's floats and horse entries are judged on Fairgrounds.

Attractions, entertainment, "wonderful, but expensive". Youth Show from Wenatchee with young people 9-18 is great, but cost is around \$2500. Many carnivals and various entertainment groups are available - for more than our budget would permit. Many of their representatives were at the convention to make contacts.

Carol Freeman asked if the youth council could be represented on the board and have a vote - to fill Roberta Archer's vacancy, possibly. Discussion followed. The constitution and by-laws will be checked, but Carol is to recommend a 4-H member of legal age, from Sprague area, if possible, to replace Mrs. Archer whose term would expire October, 1973.

President Plotts said he had received a roster of State Association Officers; also that Mr. Loney, who inspected our Fair, had stressed "fix-up, tidy-up, paint-up" at the convention. The State Association and member Fairs are to have a booth at Expo '74. It will feature a map of the State of Washington, with push-button lights to indicate Fair sites, as described at the convention. Also, he said discussion was lengthy on judges' fees; and he said no fixed scale appears possible. 4-H and FFA are encouraged - the motto - to "Work and Learn Together".

Coyotes as predators are an increasing problem, as indicated by bumper stickers and advertising by sheep producers: "Eat lots of lamb, coyotes like them." and "Eat lamb - 20,000,000 coyotes can't be wrong."

The President also said the schedule of events, staggering to permit entries shown by owners, was stressed. (It was pointed out that this had been discussed at our previous meeting, with Fred Springer's recommendations and explanation.) Also, the fair booths were discussed with insurance coverage stressed. It was said that a questionnaire for Fair judges and a Summary of Replies had been received. State Fair dates are all set.

VFW representative Vern Sautter said his organization would like to have their rodeo during the Fair on Friday night and Saturday instead of Saturday night and Sunday. They have written to the stock contractor; no answer as yet. Also, he said they'd like to build more holding pens.

Discussion was held on charging admission to the Fairs and problems involved. Lincoln County, one of two in State not charging. Better lighting needed. REA will install and donate labor.

Fred Springer moved to permit construction of holding pens and announcer's stand above the bucking chutes; seconded by John Wagner and carried.

President Plotts read a news release that is available regarding allocation of State funds.

Report of 4-H Livestock and Vo-Ag instructors meeting on November 21 was read regarding re-scheduling of livestock showing; also preview of Lincoln County set for April 14, 1973, at Fairgrounds. This will be ahead of Junior Livestock Show at Spokane Interstate in May, and will be County-wide. For some years it has been done by Reardan Lions for Reardan youth only.

Memorandum from St. Coop. Extension Service regarding judging and requesting list of recommendations from those involved during last year's fair. Letter from Diane Brommer was also read. (Attached)

President Plotts said the new "outhouse taking shape." He said it appears balance in 1972 budget funds will pay off balance totally. Full cost will be close to \$6000, amount approximately left over in 1972 funds. In hopes that can be directed to this project.

Report on this year's budget: Set at \$25,162.00, with \$1000 anticipated from para-mutual funds, and \$1,500 from rental receipts and other.

The President also said he had been contacted by the State Examiner, Mr. Kroll, regarding minutes book and other records. The secretary said she had, too. Discussion on all the "headaches" that have come up to get things in order. Motion by Fred Springer that Diana Waseca be allowed to purchase a desk and file cabinet for use in the secretary-treasurer's work; seconded by John Wagner and carried. The secretary said she was sure she could get good used equipment for under \$200.

Discussion on payment of judges and other casual laborers during Fair time was held. A motion by John Wagner, seconded by John Deife that we voucher funds if need be for extra help and other miscellaneous outgo during the Fair into the revolving account so that it will be available for immediate use when needed. (The secretary will discuss this with the County auditor). This would permit payments for services rendered without employee having to wait for sometime to get paid.

Discussion also on bank "set-up" for paying premiums. Present system needs to be speeded up to get checks out faster. A second signature at the bank would help. Fred Springer moved that President Plotts be second signature on the bank account; seconded by Bill Bailey and carried.

John Wagner then moved that the secretary be paid an additional \$100 for services July to December. Seconded by Fred Springer and carried.

Discussion on requirement for entry in the Fair, Open and other, and completion of proper entry records. Past Fair experience showed this to be a must.

Les Seimer said Mr. Ohliger had taken balance of hay at Fairgrounds for agreed amount of \$70 to be billed.

Discussion on rental of grounds facilities for storage. Les Seimer said he has been charging \$1.00 per foot per season for smaller units, more for the larger, depending on width. To be discussed further at January meeting.

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Discussion on advertising the Fair followed. John Wagner is to get a bid from Wilbur Publishers for premium books. Chuck Plumb said he doubted if Mr. Cosby could beat the Times Publishers prices since they already have plates, etc., from having put out the book in past years.

Fred Springer moved to hold the January Board meeting on Tuesday, January 16, 1973, at 7:30 p.m. in order that the horse leaders meet the previous week, before Fair Board meeting. Seconded by Bill Baily and carried.

Bill Bailey said he would ask Diane Brommer to superintend Open Horse Division, if agreeable with the Board. All consented. Bill said he would ask Irma Johnson if Diane refused.

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John Wagner also said County Engineer said the County owns a pit containing "decomposed granite" which might be had to be used to hold down dust. Also, that engineer was of the opinion that asphalt was a good job, and that it contained more oil than specifications required. Now it needs to be swept.

With no further business; adjourned to meet Tuesday, January 16, 1973, at 7:30 p.m. in the Extension Building.

Approved: Jan. 16, 1973, with Diana Waseca
correction by Carol Diana Waseca, Secretary
Freeman regarding youth rep. on bd. - see 1/16 min.

R. M. Plotts
R. M. Plotts, President

Those present at the above meeting were Carol Freeman and Larry Brown of the Extension office; Board members Bill Bailey, John Deife, John Wagner, R. M. Plotts, and Fred Springer; VFW representative Vern Sautter; Chuck Plumb, Public Relations, Les Seimer, Grounds manager and the secretary.

Attachments: Ltr fr/Diane Broomer, re: Open Halter classes at the Fair
Pink sheet with notations by Mr. Kroll, unsigned by him.
Final pg, orig. transcript, this set of minutes for notations
by Jerry Calvert, State Examiner. dw

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by Carol
Freeman, youth
rep., regarding
youth members
on bd. S.H.

~~Submitted,~~
Diana Waseca
Diana Waseca, secy

THIS PORTION OF THE ORIGINAL TRANSCRIPT
OF MINUTES NOTES IS ATTACHED BECAUSE OF
THE NOTATIONS BY JERRY CALVERT, ST. EX.:
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(Prior to this time, the permanent record book had not been in the secretary's hands.)

To have
Jerry Calvert
State Examiner
4-24-73

Dear Sirs,

Here are my suggestions for changing the categories of all classes of the Open Quarter classes for Debits on Friday site of the fair. I'm sure that Bill Bailey would like to go over these before they are presented to the fair board if he is in attendance at the meeting. He knows that I'm going to make some recommendations.

Fillies---Current year

Colts-----Current year

Fillies---Yearling

Colts---Yearling

Fillies--- two years old

Colts-----two years old (altered or unaltered---not purebred)

Fillies- Three years

Colts ---Three years

mares--- Four years and over

Colts Four years and over

* Stallions---Purebred - Registered in a recognized purebred registry

two years old

three years old

Four years old and older

Grand Champion mare---All blue and red ribbon winners, two years old and over.

Grand Champion Gelding---All geldings and/or unregistered two year old stallions, two years and over.

Grand and Reserve Champion Stallion---All purebred stallions, two years and over.

* By reading behind the stallion category is that at two years of age and over a stallion must be considered a breeding animal, the same as in any other livestock division, and should be required to be purebred and registered with a recognized registry.

All the groupings would be considered as from January 1st of the year the individual was foaled: I.E., January 1, 1973---Current year foals
Jan. 1, 1972-----Yearlings
Jan 1, 1971 ---- Two year olds , etc.

If there is any question as to this Dodge page I have submitted please feel free to have someone contact me.

Sincerely,

Diane Brommer

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*Rec'd
11/30/72*

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*Copy made & mailed
to Bill Bailey 11/30*

*Read 12/4/72
Bd meeting*

Should have President
sign minutes also

who has deed for land
purchased from Ray John ??
Should be put with page 89
other documents.

Mr Kroell,
at. glommer
model
above
note.