Lincoln County Fair Board Minutes February 2, 2016

Board Members Present: Gerry Stiles, Paul Knittel, Jennifer Lewis, & Brad Ray; **Members Absent:** Josie Breshears, Sarah Breshears, John Merriott, Brad Sweet & Justine Winn; **Others Present:** Margie Hall, Garrett Linstrum & Sharon Nighswonger

Gerry began the meeting began at 6:30pm. The minutes of the December 8, 2015 were approved.

Garrett presented the Lion's Club consignment auction. Lion's Club will be charged for the use of the Hamburger Stand (the Davenport FFA will be using it for a fund raiser), Home Arts Restrooms, Midway and Beef Barn. The Arena Restrooms will be available as for use as well. Auction items can be brought to the fairgrounds Saturday, May 7, and Monday, May 9, from 10am to 6pm; Wednesday, May 11 from 10am to? and Friday, May 13 from 12-6:30pm. The auction will be on Saturday May 14 beginning at 9am. It was decided to charge \$350.00 for the event. Sharon will send Garrett a contract.

Margie Hall presented the Rural Development Fund Grant that will now fund the fair instead of yearly county taxes. The fair will continue to receive \$25,000.00 but it will be funded by this yearly grant from sales & use tax.

We will be able to have most of our advertising costs for events covered by the Economic Development Council. Since we are hosting events that bring people into Lincoln County, it is considered tourism, we qualify for funding.

The livestock jackpot show on April 9th will now have only 2 species---beef and hogs. There will be no sheep or goats this year. We still are looking for a judge. Brad will contact Consumer Auto Liquidators to be a sponsor for the Jackpot Show and the Junior Rodeo. It would be a conflict of interest with Davenport Motor Company during the fair.

The Reardan Junior Class will run the Hamburger Stand for concessions during the livestock show.

Loren asked if could put casters on the bottom of the display cases in the 4-H building. The board encouraged him to do so, it will help preserve them.

Sharon requested that we purchase a new full set of letters for the outdoor sign. A motion was made by Brad & 2nd by Paul. **Motion Approved.**

Signs need to be made for the Queen's Room.

Gerry announced that this will be Sharon's last fair (really) and she will stay on this year and train her replacement. Sharon will put an ad in the Davenport Times announcing her job, it will run for 1 week on February 18 and will close on February 26. We will interview the applicants before the next board meeting, beginning at 6pm.

Adjourned at 8:10 pm.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 8 at 6:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Nighswonger Fair Secretary/Office Manager