

LINCOLN COUNTY FAIR

Minutes of meeting: February 20, 1991 held at Fairgrounds

Attending: Gerry Stiles, Faye Duff, Orville & Lydia Widmer, Jon Overmeyer, Karen McKay, Howard Stormo, Bob & Karen Jones, Terry Everts

Treasurers Report: The following bills were approved to pay:

Wilbur Register	Tractor bid adv	4.62
Dave's Home Ctr.	File	5.54
Valerie Jahn	Returned Prem. ck	14.11
Cathy Schmitt	Returned Prem. ck	3.40
Howard Stormo	Faucet kit	39.04
TU of Wash	CREDIT BALANCE	(161.55)
WWP	Will come in March	188.00

Gerry reviewed the Courthouse printouts with the board. He indicated there is a balance of \$11,690.00 on hand which could be invested and the Fair receive the interest. Currently, the County invests the money & retains the interest in the General Fund.

Upcoming bills for next three months would be mainly the WWP bills. State money came in April of last year (should be same this year). Do expect parimutuel monies to be less this year.

The board voted to invest \$10,000 for 3 months and asked Gerry to handle. He will advise the County and they will do the investing.

Board Vacancies: 4

Terry Everts was advised of some of responsibilities of a board position and he agreed to accept these. He was voted to fill one of the vacancies.

Special Projects: We are requesting \$7500 to cover the following:

Building Improvements - colored steel siding for
4-H & Floral Buildings
Paving to Grandstands and extending to south barns
Hog & Sheep Pens

The meeting with State officials will be in Moses Lake on February 27, 1991 at 10:30. Jon, Bob & Gerry will go to present requests. Bob read his speech, covering lighting in the Commercial Building, Exterior coverings to the older buildings and the Arena seating repairs.

Premium Book: Lydia had sent letters requesting Superintendents confirm they will or will not be serving this year. She received replies that 10 Supts. will NOT be helping this year:

Crafts	Kathy Coley
Baking	Linda Jahns

Grains/Grasses	Joel Jahns
FFA	Fred Springer
Demonstrations	Jenny Wagner
Swine	Lloyd Thompson
Clothing	Georgia Stedman
Weaving	Beve Hall
Flowers	Joyce Tomayko
Old Machinery	Walt Kik

Gerry would like to have the premium points set more uniformly. Some are currently at odd numbers (ex. 18, 12, 6).

Also, there are several clip boards from departments which contain no entries. Suggestions made that these departments be dropped from the premium book, with provisions made for a Miscellaneous area where any entries for unlisted departments could be made.

Karen McKay requested a scheduling change for livestock judging. Would like to have all judging of hogs, beef and sheep begin at the same time (9:00 a.m.) and run continuously. Would need only 1 judge instead of 3 and would allow the kids to watch all the judging. Fitting & showing on Friday to run same way. Board agreed this was good idea.

Karen also provided board with information and a request to establish a Carcus class. She brought information from Waterville Fair where they have had one for a few years now.

Entries would be jackpot, with steers only, adults only exhibiting

They would be judged on the hoof on Thursday at 9 a.m. and then go to trailer for transport to slaughter.

Trailer would return which has a windowed side for public viewing. Placings for judging on the hoof and for carcus would be displayed.

Judge from Moses Lake charges \$75-100.

Van was charging \$100/day with \$300 minimum, but are changing to an hourly basis (for time the refrigeration unit is being used). No new charge list available yet.

Fair would get 25% commission off the top.

Very educational

Waterville had 16 entries last year.

Carcus belongs to owner

Van is noisy because of refrig unit, so need to be mindful when locating it

Need photographer who can get the pictures, printed & blown up in one day.

She has talked to several people already and expects at least 6 could be entering this year.

Karen expects the minimum cost to run about \$500-700.

Board voted to put the Carcus Class on the Fair agenda.

Other: Karen Jones will put adv in Lincoln Advertiser for superintendents to help replace ones we are losing this year.

There will be a meeting of Breathing Superintendents at Fairgrounds on March 8 at 7:30 p.m.

Entertainment:

Carnival - Mark Blumhagen of Family Fun Shows has talked to Gerry and would be willing to bring rides. Wants exclusive concession rights (except locals are okay).

Gerry called Western and they would be willing to come for \$1500 with 6-8 rides, 4-6 games and concessions.

Since Family Fun Shows wouldn't give a definite price, Gerry will advise of the concessions we expect and give the two shows the opportunity to bid. Western being available hinges on whether they do the Ritzville Fair or not.

Kelly Hughes - Jon will contact to see if he can entertain again this year.

Ribbons & Trophies: Lydia would like to order by April 1, so can have them ready by July 1.

Karen volunteered to handle the Non-breathing Superintendents.

Purchase of Tractor: Commissioners said we can buy a tractor for amount of bid specs. only. Any variance would have to be re-bid. Jon and Orville are handling. Have about \$9000 to spend for tractor.

Purchase of Piano: Orville suggested we purchase the piano Carolee loaned to us last fall. Board voted to pay the \$500 to Carolee for the piano.

New Business: Teen Connection Dance, March 16, 1991 from 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

Gerry read a letter from Durette Marriott and Carolee Crosen, leaders, indicating this is an official 4-H function of county-wide clubs.

Want to rent auditorium and kitchen. Board voted to charge them half price of \$50 and will leave it negotiable if they don't make as much money as expected.

BACK YARD RUMMMAGE SALE: April 26 & 27, 1991. Want to clean on April 17 and receive goods beginning on April 21. Gerry will prepare a contract for 2 days rental at \$25/day for total of \$50.

GRANGE LETTER: Gerry read letter from Gordon Peterson thanking the Fair for the upgraded and clean condition of the Grange areas.

STACK RACK: Gerry would like to purchase a stacking holder to hold mail for each board member. Board said okey-dokey.

JOB DESCRIPTION FOLDER: Lydia showed board a sample of job description folder for 4-H kitchen cook position. Terry Everts said the Lions Club also does same. Suggested be make further efforts to get all supts. to do same.