

than cash prizes. Fred Springer moved that the question be researched and a report brought back for later action. Each board members is to find out what his community prefers. John Wagner seconded and the motion carried.

The letter from the UM Women of Davenport contained a request that consideration be given to including a Fair Beautification class that would allow each FFA and 4-H group to build picnic tables and benches under one design to be entered for judging and premiums. They also suggested Granges be included in the competition. Fred Springer moved, seconded by John Wagner, that this be added, with premiums to be the same as other Fair beautification entries already listed: \$15, blue; \$10 red; ~~\$10~~ \$5.00 white; that construction plans be supplied, and that any group be permitted to enter. The motion carried.

The secretary reported Bob Stuhlmiller of the Lincoln County Farm Bureau had inquired why his organization was charged booth rental when the Granges were not. Discussion followed and it was generally agreed that to be fair to all such groups, the Farm Bureau could have a booth display for educational purposes; and, that it must be on the same basis as the Grange displays, without advertising or promotion.

Discussion was held on what should used as the capital outlay project to meet the State matching funds requirement. John Wagner moved, seconded by Fred Springer that the old dairy barn be remodeled for a new 4-H building. Carried.

Fred Springer said he had received correspondence from Roger Roberts, Olympia, regarding his letter requesting Lincoln County Junior Preview premium funds. He reported that it appears no funds would be forthcoming this year, but that they may possibly be allowed in the 1975 budget next year. He asked permission to use Fair Entry cards for record-keeping purposes in support of the funding request. Permission was given by general consent of the board.

APPROVED:** As Read

/S/ Diana Waseca

Diana Waseca, Secretary

John E. Deife
 John E. Deife, president

*To Here: James J. Plaster
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Present at the December 5, 1973 meeting were: Board members Donita Linstrum, Elmer Mann, Fred Springer, John E. Deife, Donna Christianson, John Wagner, Jim McKay and the secretary; Les Seimer, building and grounds manager; and Chuck Plumb, Public Relations.

The Board of Directors of the Lincoln County Fair Association met January 24, 1974, Extension Office, Davenport, with President Deife presiding.

The meeting was called to order by President John Deife and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Present at the meeting were President Deife, John Wagner, Jim McKay, R. M. Plotts, Bill Bailey, Donna Christianson, Donita Linstrum Fred Springer, Elmer Mann; Mrs. R. M. Plotts, Les Seimer, Building and grounds manager, Carol Freeman, extension agent; and Chuck Plumb, publicity man and acting secretary.

A discussion was held on the possibility of changing the format of the Fair Book from book form to tabloid paper form. Estimates from the Odessa Record,

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Davenport Times and Wilbur Register were presented for an idea of the possible cost of the tabloid. From the estimates the board determined that it could have two issues of the book printed and distributed county-wide for little more than the cost of the regular Fair book. John Wagner moved that the board adopt the tabloid format for the book. Donna Christianson seconded the motion and it was adopted by unanimous vote.

R. M. Plotts moved that the board call for bids. ^{on what?} Fred Springer seconded and John Wagner suggested the motion also include a date for opening. The board agreed and the date was set for February 27 at 3:30 p.m. The motion passed unanimously. John Wagner told the board he would work up the bid specifications with Zane Cosby who volunteered to aid the board in this task. ?

Wagner moved the board buy a non-profit permit for mailing. Donna Christianson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Some discussion then ensued about possible deadlines for the publication. It was generally agreed that the paper should be published and distributed by the First of June. A May deadline would probably have to be met.

The minutes of the November 21 and January 17 meetings of the Lincoln County Fair Livestock committee were read by John Wagner. The board discussed the suggestions made by the committee. R. M. Plotts moved that the Fair Board accept the Livestock report and its suggested changes. Wagner seconded and the motion passed with one in opposition.

Wagner read the Lincoln County Horse Leaders minutes. Fred Springer moved and McKay seconded that the board accept the recommendations of the leaders.

Springer told the board he had a set of picnic table plans for use in the picnic table competition at the Fair. He said he would make them available to the board.

President Deife read a letter from Diana Waseca which said she was resigning her position as Fair Secretary. She told the board, in the letter, that she would terminate her position January 31, 1974, claiming ill health and other problems. Plotts moved the board accept Mrs. Waseca's resignation and suggested the president and vice president work with her to bring the books and reports up to date. Wagner seconded. Springer then moved to postpone the board decision until the next meeting, specifying that it be brought up as the first piece of business. McKay seconded Springer's motion and after a short discussion it was passed by the board.

Deife announced that Rick Nelson of Ritzville had notified the board he would bring his carnival to the Fair this year. He gets the first \$1000 and the Fair would receive 15 per cent of the amount earned above that figure. Wagner moved that the board accept the Nelson offer. Donna Christianson seconded and it passed unanimously.

Mrs. Christianson asked whether the Kerr Canning Company was giving lids and bottles. She said they haven't done this for the past three years and said she would contact them to see if they still do this. If not, she suggested the information be removed from the Fair Book.

Mrs. Christianson also asked about the board's junior member. Carol Freeman was directed to submit a name of a suggested youth at the next meeting.

Chuck Plumb gave a publicity report for 1973. He reported a total of 1083 inches of news articles and pictures were published in the county papers last

year. The cost, he said, was about \$.34 per inch. He also reported that more effort would be made to get post-Fair information into the papers. It was suggested that Fair Superintendents write down a list of Fair winners to be turned in at Fair's end.

check bills
Bills were read and approved by the board. Wagner moved and Springer seconded to approve and the motion was passed.

R. M. Plotts made a motion that Bill Heinrichs be refunded for bales of hay and straw he did not receive after being sold to him by the Fair. Mrs. Christianson seconded the motion and it was approved by the board.

Wagner suggested that the board get estimates on 4-H building remodeling so that some idea of cost could be obtained. The state grant was discussed and Fred Springer said he would check with Ray Meenach to see what became of the money.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by President Deife.

Approved: as corrected

Charles E. Plumb
Charles E. Plumb, Acting secretary

John E. Deife
President John E. Deife

Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lincoln County Fair Association, February 27, 1974, Extension Building, Davenport with President Deife presiding.

The meeting was called to order by John Deife, president, The Minutes were read for the previous meeting and approved as corrected.

The first order of business was the opening of bids for printing of the official Fair Premium book in tabloid form. Three bids were received. Wilbur Register bid \$971.47 plus tax; Sprague Advocate bid \$990 plus tax and the Times Publishing Company bid \$813.25. The Times Publishing Company bid, being the lowest, Jim McKay moved and R. M. Plotts seconded that the Times bid be accepted. Walt Wilbur, Publisher of the Times, was present and explained that the premium book could be inserted into the Times Fair issue to save on mailing costs. Plotts moved and McKay seconded that the board approve the insertion of the paper as indicated. Both motions were passed unanimously. Wilbur also told the board that he would save the paper layouts for use in next year's issue to save in production costs.

President Deife read a letter from Diana Waseca which confirmed her previously announced resignation from her job as secretary of the board. In her letter she told the board that it was free to obtain a replacement for her and recommended that the board members learn more about the mechanics of Fair work. She also recommended that the board keep accurate records of Fair activities. She reminded the board that her resignation would be final February 28. Jim McKay moved to accept the resignation. Donna Christianson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by the board.

President Deife reported that the total exhibits increased last year, but the number of exhibitors had decreased making the amount of the premiums about the same for the two years. He said an estimated 10,500 attended the Fair