

The Board of Lincoln County Fair Association met July 10, 1972, in the Extension Building, Davenport.

President Plotts opened the meeting at 8 p.m. He introduced Diana Waseca, newly-hired secretary-treasurer. She was one of four who had responded to the ad in the Davenport Times.

The minutes of June 5, 1972 meeting as taken by Roberta Archer filling in as secretary of this meeting were read and approved.

The President discussed other applicants, and interviews with each and said he had decided Mrs. Waseca could best fill the job.

Communications: Brochure from ribbon supplier in Portland, Oregon was passed around. All ribbons except horse ribbons have been received. Discussion followed on horse show. Bill Easley said he had received favorable comment on horse show of past year.

Donita Linstrum inquired about parade ribbons; President Plotts to investigate.

A letter was read from the Davenport Clinic regarding a \$50.00 check which had not cleared and discussion followed.

The President announced the Odessa Record is the official County newspaper.

Several letters were passed around offering fair advertising, etc.; also the Grange News soliciting advertising.

Discussion was held on purchase of ties for fair workers; no action was taken.

Discussion on Davenport Contest to name a candidate to the Fair Queen Contest. Davenport's contest is to be at the Extension Building on the following Thursday, with Fair Queen Contest at the fairgrounds on July 29.

Lions Club representatives present discussed their bingo, "cat" game, cotton candy and their "usual" concessions. The Lions chairman expressed the hope that some rides appealing to teenagers can be secured. He also said lack of "manpower" is their big problem.

General discussion on promotion ideas, and the possibility of coordinating all activities and adding an air show, sky diving, arts and crafts festival to Fair agenda.

Bulletin from the fire marshall was read; as in the past, requirements for hoses, hydrants and buckets must be met.

President Plotts said the budget must be prepared by August 15, and should be ready for the board's consideration at the next meeting on August 14. Motion by Jim McKay, seconded by John Wagner, that the President and secretary work out the budget; carried.

Jim McKay brought up use of the chutes for tagging and weighing steers as recommended by the Livestock Association; the matter was left with the superintendent of that division.

Larry Brown, Extension Agent, turned over a chart listing judges or those to make contact to secure judges. List was read by President Plotts.

Inquiry as to who is Open Horse Superintendent. Board agreed on Mary Coleman if available and willing.

President Plotts said Metropolitan Mortgage is interested in a commercial booth. Les Seimer reported that booths have been spoken for and doubts if any available unless a cancellation comes up.

Report on the dance contracts: Young People's group from Waukon-Edwall has been signed. Group is headed by Ted Fritsch, and is called "Waukon Boogie & Funk".

The printing bill for 1200 premium books came to \$861.00; 600 books have been mailed out.

The President reported he and Mrs. Plotts mailed 46 notices and had been mailed out to persons interested in or connected with Fair activities.

The President brought up about payment of State Industrial coverage for the secretary and Les Seimer, manager of buildings and grounds. Motion was made by John Wagner, seconded by Jim McKay that both be covered, with withholdings from wages. Carried.

The President also announced that the bond for the new secretary-treasurer has been received and all is in order.

Larry Lindbloom of the VFW presented an agreement between that organization and the Fair Association regarding use of the Fairgrounds in putting on their rodeo. It was read by the secretary and discussion followed. John Wagner moved and Jim McKay seconded to adopt; motion carried.

Lindbloom also brought several questions from the VFW concerning the parade and the rodeo which were discussed and answered satisfactorily.

Chuck Plumb brought question of public relations between the Fair Association and the news media; offering services at a "nominal fee" to promote the Fair and related events through five newspapers, including pictures which would be sent to each. His service charge would be \$300 per year. Discussion covered whether budget would permit and results would warrant expenditure.

Further discussion was held on construction of a restroom facility. It was left to work out within the budget.

John Wagner is to be "finance and cashier man" at both the Queen Contest dance and the Fair dance. It was pointed out that the Queen's Pageant follows the banquet for royalty candidates and comes before the dance.

Les Seimer, Building and Grounds manager, brought up the matter of black-topping at the Fairgrounds; he suggested that board members look at it before any asphalt is laid.

No further business came before the meeting, and it adjourned to meet again on August 14, 1972, at the Extension Building at 8 p.m.

Those present were Mike Otis and Grant Alspach, Davenport Lions; Eetsy Masterson, Fair Queen Chairman; Larry Lindbloom, Davenport VFW; Les Seimer, Grounds Manager; Chuck Plumb; Board Members Jim McKay, Bill Bailey, Roberts Archer, R. M. Plotts, John Wagner, Donita Linstrum and the secretary.

Approved: As read, Aug. 14/72

Diana Weseca
Diana Weseca, Secretary

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