

Lincoln County Fair Board Minutes
March 8, 2016

Board Members Present: Gerry Stiles, John Merriott, Brad Sweet, Jennifer Lewis, Brad Ray & Justine Winn

Members Absent: Josie Breshears, Sarah Breshears & Paul Knittel

Others Present: Scott Hutsell, Lydia Widmer, Dawn Tysz & Sharon Nighswonger

Gerry began the meeting began at 6:00pm. The meeting was called early to interview Dawn Tysz for the position of Fair Secretary/Office Manager. She was the only applicant. **Justine moved and Brad Ray 2nd a motion that she become the new Fair Secretary/Office Manager. Motion Approved.** Sharon will continue in the position through the 2016 fair to train Dawn. They will job share the position.

The minutes of the February 2, 2016 were approved.

John reported he will not have time to put together a junior rodeo this year. It was tentatively planned for the first weekend in August.

Once the weather clears up, an arena work day needs to be scheduled. Scott Hutsell volunteered his Kubota with a post hole digger. The beer garden area and VIP area will need to be worked on prior to the week before fair. Brad R. & John will draw up plans for the area. The beer garden area needs to be leveled for portable bleachers.

Brad S. reported that Brian Gunning wants to hold go cart races here. It was advised to have him attend a meeting with more information to present to the board.

Gretchen wanted to bring a car to be stored during the summer months here. The storage unit where it was in has been sold. She will bring it on April 2—move out day.

The 1948 Ford tractor will be surplused. If the minimum bid is not met during the consignment auction, we will trade it in for a 4-seater golf cart.

Brad R. will get the panels from Spokane Interstate Fair. The panels will be set up during the week, so the beef barn & hog barn can be disinfected. The livestock jackpot show on April 9th will now have only 2 species---beef and hogs. Mike Brown will be the judge.

Sharon will open the revolving account, so there will be money available to pay the winners.

Sharon is working on labels for the contributor's letter for Lydia.

Jennifer will go to businesses in Odessa for sponsorship of the new signs by the front gate. Sharon will send her the paper work.

Justine reported Heather Siler was inquiring about dates for barrel races. A list of dates were given, but the only dates that are a potential conflict are August 13-August 14. They will keep up informed as they confirm dates.

RV move out day will be Saturday, April 2 beginning at 9 am.

The tractor will be going to Odessa to get repaired.

Joey Hackett is a rodeo clown would like to perform. Sharon will find out how much.

We will have one teen dance this year on Friday night only.

After spring break we will run ads advertising for Sheep and Poultry Superintendents.

If we get more signs made by the front gate, the border at the top and bottom need to be increased so they are more visible. Also to prevent them from blowing off, they may need to be screwed in.

We need to have a load of gravel delivered to the grounds to level the parking lot.

Entertainment for the fair needs to be discussed at more length.

Adjourned at 7:50 pm.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 12 at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Nighswonger
Fair Secretary/Office Manager