

# LINCOLN COUNTY FAIR BOARD MINUTES

May 2, 2008

Gerry called the meeting to order at 7 PM. Dale, Dan, Lydia, Josie, Gretchen and Sharon were in attendance.

Dale reported on which food vendors will be participating this year. The Egg Roll Express, Lonnie Bills, Davenport FBLA & Deputies Guild. We have not heard back from Changing Seasons—Dale will check.

Lydia had the board decide the size of flat ribbons to order. The board chose the larger 2" x 8" size for \$.28 per ribbon. They did not look as cheap as the size smaller.

Dale wondered if we could get a wireless router set up at the fairgrounds. It would be a selling point for people stay in the RV Park for an extended amount of time. This would apply to various workers on road projects, etc. Sharon will check into it.

Josie & Lydia mentioned having specific counter signs made from Regalia. It was moved by Josie & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dale. We will order 100 at a price of \$1.09 each. It passed unanimously. We will also order 50 posters with the theme picture on them, as in the past.

Josie reported that some of our royalty is more interested in rodeo events than in parades. It was decided that the royalty was representing both the fair & rodeo; they need to attend the Lincoln County town events. Last year the royalty rode in a truck at the Lilac Parade, this year they are being required to ride their horses. Sharon obtained a certificate of insurance for them. She will contact Gil Hanson if additional ones are needed for specific events.

Dan mentioned the "Friends of the Fair" is almost in place. The group will be meeting within the next week and at that time he will disclose the board members. They are going to rewrite some of the bylaws to make them more applicable to our fair.

Our new pick up needs to be repaired. That will happen when the weather warms up.

The brush pile at the end of the RV parking area is gone. Dan reported that the rocks and dirt pile will be gone before fair. He will be working up the arena this next week to prepare for the Mother's Day barrel race.

The Home Arts restrooms are on. There are leaks and Dan is working to repair them. Sharon set up an account with Grainger Supply Co. We should be able to purchase plumbing items for all of our old fixtures from them.

The flower box by the front gate is rotten. Dan will use some of the wood to repair the horseshoe pit that was damaged.

Lydia mentioned she had ordered trees for the fairgrounds. There was discussion as to where they would be placed. The location of the trees will be determined when they get here.

We discussed golf carts. Rocky has the gas golf cart---can it be fixed? Dale or Gerry will check with Rocky. There was discussion about the golf carts will be transported from Spokane.

Wright & Sons is no longer in business. Gretchen mentioned that Chuck's brother has a car trailer and can move a few. There will need to be more discussion about this when we know how many carts we need this year.

Sharon mentioned that the Harrington High School Freshman class will be the bathroom cleaning crew. Lydia mentioned having the crew come in on Wednesday as well during the fair, to free up Dan and Sharon from cleaning duty before fair. The crew would also be responsible for wiping down the picnic tables. The contract would be for an additional \$100.00, for a total of \$400.00. It was moved by Josie & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dale. It passed unanimously.

Sharon mentioned that quite a bit of time was spent dealing with people who could not or did not move their stored vehicles out on the assigned day. The board suggested a \$50.00 fee if we have to make special accommodations for these people. Josie moved and Dale 2<sup>nd</sup> and the measure also passed unanimously.

### **It was decided to make entry day Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>.**

Do we have a manure truck this year? Dale will check with Jim Hirst to see if they will donate one during the fair.

Do we want to replace the water fountain in the main building? At this point, it was decided to have Dan box over the pipes and we could add one at a later date.

Gerry is checking to see if he can secure a gator for Dan during the fair.

LCLC will be sponsoring a judging clinic for 4-H & non-4-H kids. We will charge \$100.00 for the arenas and \$50.00 for use of the kitchen.

Gerry signed the general usage contract for the Extension Office.

It was decided that **anyone** who uses the arena needs to call ahead and make a reservation. We will not be allowing people to come in whenever they want to ride. This will alleviate toooo many people having the gate combination.

From last meeting there was an issue about horned goats. According to the state 4-H rules, horned goats are not allowed in fitting & showing or market classes. They are allowed in breed class if the horns are covered. The board decided to have the state 4-H rules to apply to the Lincoln County Fair.

### **Absolutely no white ribbon animals will be allowed to go through the sale.**

Sharon reported that we have a new cat superintendent. But we will need a round robin superintendent this year.

We will need to pay the judges the federal gas mileage rate--\$.50.5. Our judge's fees will be more expensive this year because of the mileage rate.

Sharon mentioned hooking up to the Lincoln County server. It will cost approximately \$1100.00 initially. After that it will be \$100.00 per month. It was moved by Gretchen &

2<sup>nd</sup> by Dale. But before a vote was taken, there was discussion about the cost. It was tabled until next meeting.

There was discussion about the entertainment. We will not have Seamore the robot here on Sunday. We could use the money for another form of entertainment. Sharon will check into some additional acts. Gretchen mentioned "Tiny the Clown" from Deer Park, Sharon will also call. The Two Dudes will be here again on Saturday for the dance. Sharon will also check with the pony ride people.

Gretchen will check with Royal Gardens to see if they are interested in participating again this year.

The building remodel looks great. The board chose 2 potential colors for the building— Frontier Tan or Walnut Wash. Sharon will talk to Jim Hedgcock about the colors and get the paint ordered.

Sharon mentioned that Casey broke her desk and ruined the office monitor. He stepped on the area by the window. Sharon was fortunate enough to get a surplus monitor from Brad at I.S.

The board looked at all of the potential premium book covers. Rhonda Widmer's was chosen. Sharon will notify her.

Gerry reported that the sale ring has been purchased by the Lincoln County Deputy's Guild. We are just waiting for it to arrive. The cost of the new panels cost \$1200.00.

The next meeting will be on Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon Nighswonger