

**Lincoln County Fair Board Minutes**  
**June 18, 2013**

**Board Members Present:** Gerry, Josie, Gretchen, Sarah, Brad, Justine

**Members Absent:** John, Kim, Greg

**Others Present:** Marcie Breshears, Scott Hutsell, Lydia Widmer and Sharon Nighswonger

Gerry began the meeting at 6:45 pm. The minutes from the May 2013 meeting were approved.

Sharon checked with Hoffman's music to see what it would cost to rent a portable PA system. The cost was approximately \$250.00 for a weekend.

Justine and Bailey put together packets for the rodeo queen applicants. Justine reported that Cheyenne Thain from Reardan plans to apply.

In the past Dale lined up the bucking chute help. Justine will call Jim Hirst to see if he is willing to help again this year.

Justine will call Drover's about the helmets to be used for the kids during the rodeo.

Jennifer sent out letters for the flag sponsors this year.

Bailey will be attending Edwall Days on Thursday and Colville on Friday.

It was discussed about having the Market Division run by weight and not by class of exhibitor. All species will abide by this rule. This rule was brought up by Jolynn Ray, our swine superintendent.

Lydia order ribbons and Sharon ordered the FFA banners. The trophies in the past have been donated by the Calverts (CTS Trophies).

Josie will call Fred Springer and see if he is still on board for judging this year. His cell number is 981-0722.

Holes need to be drilled in the new planter pots. Since they are so large we need potting soil. Gerry will see about getting a discount as DBS.

Marcie will bring the draft horses as an exhibit during the fair.

"Trailers will not be allowed to be parked in the east lot (by the back gate) or they will be towed to the airport lot." The board will enforce this rule this year, no excuses.

A few trailers will be allowed on the grounds for tack.

Greg is working on the rules for the chili cook off. If it doesn't work out, salmon is the back up plan.

Scott reported that the commissioners were very pleased we did not have to use registered warrants this year. The past few years we have had to "take out a loan" from the county to pay our bills until we get our para-mutual money from the Department of Agriculture.

Scott also has been working with our insurance agents on "functional replacement" costs of all the buildings the county owns. After reviewing them, the cost of the county's insurance policy went up \$3400.00. All of the county's insurance premiums are being reviewed. We may see a change.

There was discussion about which office to call regarding the insurance riders for our rodeo royalty. Scott will double check to verify which office the riders originate from.

There was discussion about allowing open kids to sell at the sale. Where do the open kids fall during the sale? Before too many decisions are made regarding the sale, Kathy Eastman needs to be contacted.

The Lincoln County Reserves may be willing to put on a Wednesday night dinner.

The Pit Masters (a BBQ food vendor) was contacted and is interested in coming. They will be replacing J & T Concessions who were out by the rodeo arena.

The Lincoln County Fair Board made \$143.97 from the Davenport Dance Academy BBQ dinner that was put on.

Gerry reported there was damage in the red horse barn. Someone scattered a couple bundles of shavings and opened up the bag of lye.

We need to collect money from the IEBRA from their camping during the barrel race weekends.

Tomorrow, Gerry, Vicki, Brad and John from Bill the Faucetter will be coming to assist with the plumbing for the restroom project.

Sharon reported that we are receiving on-line statements from the royalty account at Wheatland Bank. If we continued to get paper statements, we would have to pay \$2.00 a month.

The Odessa/Harrington FFA would like to sell slices of pie during the fair. It was moved by Gretchen and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Josie to allow them the sell and charge 10% of the gross. The motion passed unanimously.

Sharon received a call from a company that sold electronic cigarettes who would like to be a vendor during the fair. It was a unanimous "No".

Teresa will not be helping in the office this year. Sharon proposed that her daughter Sam be hired to assist in the office. Justine moved and Josie 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Josie will help count money at the end of the day.

Sharon reported that a bill from Rick Perleburg was submitted for \$200.00 for the Reardan FFA flowers.

We have a DJ for the Pioneer Days dance—Chuck Colvin.

The fiber optic is going strong. The company was digging and hit the gas line, we all had to evacuate for half a day. The person, who was locating the lines, missed it and created a problem.

Are we going to continue to have garage sales? If we continue to do them, a schedule should be set up, so the public is aware of them for the future.

The next meeting will be July 16 at 6:30 pm.  
Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Nighswonger  
Office Manager/Fair Secretary