

Laura Kunz
Secretary

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James McKay
President and Chairman of the Board

Meeting called to order by President James McKay February 20, 1963, at 10:45 A.M. in the County Extension Building in Davenport.

Members present: Laura Kunz, Katie Raugust, Ella Scheibner, Harold Jenkins, Joe Linstrum, James McKay, and Richard Harding

Also present: Jimmie Graham, Bill Oestreich, Mrs. Harold Jenkins, Marie Burnes, Lawrence Brown, Russell Magin, Jim Hein, and Leslie Seimer

Walt Wilbur met with the Board and discussed the new off-set printing now being done by the Times Publishing Company. He explained that the printing is much sharper and clearer, and that the sheets may be used in succeeding years, thus reducing the printing cost.

Bids were received from the Times Publishing Company in the amount of \$5.85 per page, and \$60.00 for cover. Bid received from Wilbur Register for \$5.65 per page, and \$52.00 for covers. Motion made by Harold Jenkins, seconded by Ella Scheibner, that we accept the bid of the Times Publishing Company to publish the 1963 Premium book. Carried.

Russell Magin met with the Board regarding the wiring of the old booth building. No action was taken.

Joe Linstrum reported on getting water to the Fair Grounds. He has not met with the Council but will try to do so before the next meeting.

Discussion of proposed Fair ground plan as prepared by WSU Extension Service. Service entrance to be at west end of the large fair building and follow around west side of grounds.

Bill Oestreich suggested the 4-H club colt class be at 1 or 1:30 p.m. in the arena instead of Friday morning. Also have an open colt class. Motion made by Harold Jenkins that we have a 4-H colt class and open horse class for Friday afternoon program with Bill Oestreich in charge. Seconded by Laura Kunz. Carried.

Leslie Seimer reported the furnace is still giving trouble. Mr. McKay instructed Mr. Seimer to find another furnace man if Schackleford is unable to fix the furnace.

The District Fair Board meeting is to be March 16 at 10:00 A. M. in the Coeur d'Alene Hotel in Spokane.

Joe Linstrum reported on a livestock meeting regarding rules for exhibiting and judging livestock. A proposal made for a Junior Livestock show at Davenport. Discussion of a Spring instead of a Fall Fair.

Discussion of Juvenile entries under 10 have the same rules and conditions as 4-H and FFA entries. Motion made to this effect by Richard Harding, seconded and carried.

Motion made by Harold Jenkins that a class for cross-breeds in the Fat stock division be set up. Seconded and carried.

Motion made by Richard Harding that we adopt the committee's suggestion of having the livestock in place by Midnight Wednesday. Fitting and showing commence by 8:00 A. M. Thursday morning, and that two (2) judges be provided. Seconded and carried.

Motion made by Ella Scheibner that we accept the committee's recommendation regarding having two entries be allowed in each livestock lot and a premium be awarded each. Seconded and carried.

Jim Hein discussed the possibility of a spring fair instead of a Fall fair. He outlined some of the pros and cons to such a change. He left this list to be filed with the Fair Board's minutes. It is as follows:

"At a recent meeting attended by some 30 4-H Leaders, Farmers, Wo-Ag Instructors, and others interested in the youth of the county, comes the following thoughts. Two main thoughts were evolved from this meeting. 1. Try to improve the present Junior Livestock show. 2. Consider the possibility of having a spring fair and combining it with a County livestock show. I am here in regards to the Spring Fair idea. Below I have set forth some questions, some arguments against, and some arguments for such a fair. These ideas represent mostly my thinking because we have not had a committee meeting as of yet. Others on my committee to explore this idea are Bill Hittwell, Lonah Andrew, Ralph Williams, Bob Kirkwood, Herb Guhle, and Jerry Ott.

1. Is it feasible to combine the County Fair and a County Livestock Show?
2. Is May or June the best month? 3. Couldn't booths such as grange, garden, homemakers etc. build booths just as well in the spring. The idea of harvest produce would be altered somewhat but many of the things they now use would still be available. ie grain canned goods, baked goods, etc. 4. The flower show could be held using spring flowers rather than fall flowers. 5. Programs now offered that would not be affected appreciably in a spring fair include: Parade (may even be better, fitting in with close of school when bands are in practice, and with Lilac parade for which many communities build floats). Dairy, Beef, Poultry, Swine, Rabbits, Baking, Sewing, and Crafts. 6. Programs that might be affected considerably include: Wheat displays, Other grains, grasses, weeds, garden and fruit displays. 7. Would 4-H members especially girls be better able to prepare for their contests during the summer months when they are occupied with harvest and other summer activities or in the spring when they are busy with school. 8. The close of the club year would have no affect on the situation as one can open and close his books any time of the year. 9. Weather may be more favorable or less favorable. 10. Livestock show conceivable would be much bigger adding to the overall program. 11. School officials may be more favorable because of less days lost from school. 12. Wo-Ag students would have natural culmination for the close of their school year and the now projects which they are concerned with. 13. Machinery dealers would be more interested in exhibiting just before the summer haying and harvesting seasons. 14. Factors that enter into a spring fair include State 4-H club camp, High school graduation and other activities, following school closure some families begin vacations (this might be an advantage because after school pressure a weekend of relaxation might be welcome.) 15. Other bigger and more important points might be said for or against such an idea."

Discussion of purchasing kitchen supplies. Katie Rowant and Ella Scheibner to find out the compare new prices with those asked by the Grand Coulee dealer with used equipment.

Bill Oestreich was instructed to obtain his own judges for the horse show.

Motion made by Ella Scheibner that single fat sheep and hogs should be separate entries and not taken from pens of 3.

Jimmie Graham reported he would like to add three classes to the Parade. Motion made by Ella Scheibner that we allow Mr. Graham to enter the following classes: Best saddle horse for the best boy and girl in three groups, under 10; 10 to 13 group; and over 13 group. Seconded and carried.

The Fair Board was asked to change the dress revue to Thursday evening, as the Friday evening revue interfered with the Football schedule. No action taken.

Next meeting to be March 20 at 8:00 p.m. in the Extension Building.

Motion to adjourn by Laura Kunz.


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President and Chairman of the Board.

The meeting was called to order by President James McKay, March 20, 1963, at 8:15 p.m. in the County Extension Office in Davonport.

Members present: Jim McKay, Laura Kunz, Katie Raugust, Joe Linstrum, and Ella Scheibner

Also present: E. D. Carpenter, Frank Loree, Harold Craig, Bud Olsen, Robert Sandy, John A. Costello, Harold Haynie, Marie Barnes and Larry Brown

President McKay discussed the accepting of the Times Publishing Company bid for printing the 1963 Premium book as it was not the low bid. Noted it was acceptable to take the bid that best served the interest of the Board, and not necessarily the lowest bid.

Frank Loree and Harold Craig of the State Auditor's office met with the Board to discuss accounting problems with regards to the Fair. He quoted State Law No. 36:37:050, that has to do with Fair laws. Criticized several of our procedures such as loose-leaf minutes; payment of judges and premiums on pre-fair activities; advancing money to queen chaperon; lack of money receipts; itemized accounting of premium checks. Some of the suggestions he offered for correcting these items were: purchase and keeping of a pre-numbered minute book, suggested pre-fair dance receipts could be used to pay for chaperon expenses as well as expenses incurred for the Queen and her court; reported it was possible to obtain a separate fund for these pre-fair activities; secretary should keep a numbered receipt book and issue receipts for every payment received; suggested duplicate checks or a list of all exhibitors for accounting for premium money.

He also said it was illegal to have a man on commission. Such as had been voted at a previous meeting to pay Les Seimer 1/3 of the rent for maintenance of the Fair building. Also quoted law 36:37:040 stating that a County cannot give the Fair more than \$2,500.00 for general expenses and \$10,000.00 for capital outlay.

Mr. McKay discussed the merit system of judging the Fairs. There are 8 points