

LINCOLN COUNTY FAIR BOARD MINUTES
JANUARY 26, 2007

We began with a potluck dinner at 6:30 pm. Gretchen, Josie, Gerry, Joyce, Michelle Overmeyer, Jonelle O., Michelle Tallman, Emily Houger, Colleen Houger, Isaac Houger, Aubrey Houger, P.J. Tallman and friend (name unknown), Phil, Becky, Sarah B. & Sharon were all in attendance.

Michelle O. asked if the fair would OK the Rodeo Royalty to go to all of the schools in Lincoln County and promote the Premium Book artwork competition. Michelle suggested that they also be responsible for picking up artwork from classes to exhibit at the fair. They would store the artwork in the Ribbon Room (?) until fair. Sharon will provide information for the girls to take to the schools.

The royalty will be participating in the Lilac Parade this year.

Michelle proposed that the fair crowns the royalty at the fair, but the new royalty begins their reign beginning in January of the next year. The board decided we need more discussion & will decide within the next couple of months.

It was suggested that the fair make buttons for the royalty. The royalty would sell them prior to the fair. The wearer of the button would come to the fair office during fair and get a coupon for a goodie at a concession stand. We will work out the details at an upcoming meeting.

Kathy Eastman from Reardan will be working with Michelle O. this year on the Livestock Auction. She will be the bookkeeper and will be advertising for a committee. The committee will solicit donations for the auction. The auction will continue to use a tent.

A presentation was made by Aubrey Houger to repaint the signs on the buildings. They will begin this project when the weather begins to get nice.

There was discussion about the money collected by the rodeo royalty. No decision was made as to where that money goes. Should it be kept in the general fund of the fair or go to a separate account not in the county system? Some felt that the money should be used for the fair and others were specific about it only being used for royalty.

The treasurer's office will be having a surplus auction at the fairgrounds on Wednesday, February 28th. We will be charging \$100.00 a month for use of the auditorium to store the surplus items already here. Sharon will invoice them for \$300.00.

There was much discussion about this year's theme. It was decided to go with "How the West Was Fun." There was also discussion about the entertainment to perform. We will book Nevada Slim and Cimarron Sue (they perform the classic country hits.) Sharon will contact the Rhinestone Ropers and see if they are available and find out their cost.

With the western theme, it was mentioned to have cut outs for photo opportunities. Also could we get someone to do "Old Time Photos?" More discussion will follow.

It was discussed that the gate fee be raised an additional \$1.00 for the days of the rodeo. It was motioned by Phil and seconded by Josie.

We need a Lion's Club to take tickets on Sunday. Sharon will try to contact Odessa, Wilbur and Almira. If none of these groups are available Becky will contact the Medical Lake group.

We adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Nighswonger

Our next meeting will be on Friday, March 2nd at 6:30 P.M. A few of the board members thought the potluck was a good idea, so we will do it again at the next meeting.

Mark your calendars for the following LC Fair Board Meetings:

Friday, March 2nd

Friday, April 20th

Friday, May 11th