LINCOLN COUNTY FAIR BOARD MINUTES JUNE 18, 2005

The meeting began at 7:15 pm with Gerry, Lisa, Josie, Lydia and Sharon in attendance. Marie and Marcie Breshears were also attending as visitors.

The minutes were read and approved.

Marie and Marcie came to talk about the "Open Car Show." There will be car show again this year, featuring any type of car. There was discussion about having a mud bog by the stockyards. More discussion needs to be done about that.

The Board decided unanimously to change the rates for Seniors Season Passes from \$12.00 to \$10.00.

During our Open Ceremonies Lisa volunteered Lauren Zunker to perform the national anthem; if not then, perhaps during the rodeo.

We need to contact individuals about sponsorship signs. (Fosco) Gerry will contact Jay Garber with the fair's sign needs and get a price list.

We still need superintendents.

There was discussion about the judges' fees. Most all of the fees were in line. There was a problem with the 4-H in Action judge. We ended up paying her for 4 days of judging, when she did not work an entire day. We need to do a better job of scheduling events to be judged.

Lisa suggested Teresa Wentland as horse judge.

There was discussion that stair railing and deck to the rodeo announcer's booth was very wobbly and potentially dangerous.

Sharon is working on bringing in some of the Mid-evil group from Colville for demonstrations during the fair.

We are in need of a quilt superintendent. Sharon will call the various quilt guilds around the county to find one.

Jill Swannack and Christy O'Keefe will be handling the horse judging (part of the livestock judging department).

Josie will ask Marie if she would be interested in doing herdsmanship.

Sharon arranged for 3-4 people to handle the bathrooms this year. The amount they are paid will remain at \$300.00.

Lisa will check with the Pea & Lentil Commission to see about setting up a booth for educational purposes.

Gerry has rich dirt to donate to the flower beds on the grounds.

Lydia reported that more people want the mini ribbons rather than the larger ones and that they cost a little more.

On all of the entry tags, exhibitors' addresses should be left off of them. This is being done for the safety of all of the exhibitors. At a larger fair, an exhibitor was found and stalked by a family member. Sharon will make signs for the table where the forms are distributed.

Sharon will call Donna Toney to see if she will do the booths & posters again this year. Lisa will call the Callants and ask about doing honey again this year.

The Creston 4-H horse club wants to paint 12 stalls in the horse barn on the south side against the fence. It was decided that they need to paint all of the stalls, not just the ones they will use.

Madison Throop's artwork was chosen for the Premium Book Cover. Sharon will send a letter to all of the applicants. Madison receives \$10.00 and a season pass.

Lavender is the color chosen for the 2005 Premium Book Cover.

Lydia mentioned Action Sportswear as a good place to get T-shirts from if we want to pursue them. They were very reasonably priced.

Sharon reported the Department of Ag sent us grant information again. They are awarding individual grants of up to \$20,000. There was discussion as to which projects would get attention. There needs to be donation time involved for consideration for the grant. Sharon will contact contractors to get bids. (Halme, Warner, Bing Halverson)

1. Increase the size of the horse bathrooms. Increase the amount of showers, toilets and urinals. Have it handicap accessible. Insulate and have heated. Use frost free connections. The board suggested tearing down the existing structure and removing any reusable items.

- 2. Reside and insulate the main building. Have bids done on the main building when the contractors look at the restrooms. Will need to find out if there is anything needed to be done in preparation for having the job done and the board could perhaps tackle that project. Also find out what the cost of new windows would be. Along with the windows a new front door set up with better security was discussed.
- **3. Portable Bleachers.** Purchase portable bleachers for the new stage. The donation part of this project would be the new stage. We need seating for it.

MISC INFO

Clutch is gone out in red work truck. Josie will check with Bob about the status of the left over surplus truck.

The cooks for the chicken dinner need to be contacted in advance this year.

Entertainment

Two Dudes	\$ 500.00
Jerry Harris	\$2000.00
Twin Towers (\$800.00)	\$ 200.00 (Rodeo will cover \$600.00)
Entertainment Warehouse	\$ 6500.00
Muriel Turner	\$ 175.00
TOTAL	\$ 9375.00
Horseshoes	\$ 400.00
Barrel Racers	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$10,275,00

Rodeo –same amount of prize money----\$3000.00 bull riding 12 head \$1000.00 saddle bronc

Gerry ordering tiaras for the 2005/2006 royalty.

Royalty shirts donated from Corral West.

We have not heard if there will be inmates this year—we are assuming not. Sharon will contact Mike Moser at Fairchild Air Force Base for additional workers. Have them clean hamburger stand vent, weed eat, cat roof barn.

The next board meeting will be Friday July 15th at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Nighswonger Fair Secretary