

Fair Board Meeting Minutes

October 15th, 2004

Board members attending:

Sharon Nightswonger - Jerry Stiles - Phil Tallman

Becky Tallman - Lydia Widmer - Gretchen Wiedmer

MINUTES

The minutes from the September meeting were revised and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

As of 10/14 we have \$578.68 cash balance with more bills to pay.

CORRESPONDENCE

Jerry opened a discussion on the land (two lots 50' by 100' each) the city owns in which the fair uses. The discussion will be continued next meeting after Sharon finds original contract (for land across street).

Sharon shared the finding of the Fair report and what she is doing to take care of all the issues - long phone calls and long discussions with the Fair inspector. Sharon reported it is taking a lot of time.

Sharon shared she filed a grievance on the be-half of the fair board concerning a check that was not deposited on time by the receiving party due to the depositor being off work.

OLD BUSINESS

The board discussed and set a date for a potluck dinner and meeting at Josie's home on Dec 4th (tentative date & time) and time is 3:00PM.

Jerry reported on the trees for horseshoe shade: No to trying to move the trees. The trees are too big and would be too expensive to move. The board members agreed and closed the subject.

Sharon reported that premium checks were sent out and it was a very time consuming process to hand write and hand sign each check.

New Youth member accepted on the board: Patricia Tallman

NEW BUSINESS

1. Lydia brought up the dates for 2005 horse events as follows:

Spring Fair April 16th or 23rd

Horse Camp June 17th, 18th, & 19th

Summer Sizzler July 9th

Fair August 24th - 28th

2) An email list of Board members was established and Becky will be creating a data base on Excel for all board members to be able to access on the Lincoln County Fair Computers.

3) Gretchen brought in information and pictures of possible ideas for next years fair. Some of the wonderful ideas included were Petting Zoo, Educational displays, and Kids play area. Tabled until next meeting.

4) Sharon brought up Josie's idea for a hunted house for a fund raising activity. The board decided it would be too late for this year but a **great** idea for next year.

5) The County Damaged Equipment Surplus was discussed. Phil recommended we take a percent of the sales and Jerry called (during the meeting) the Treasurer (Linda) to set up a verbal contract that the Lincoln County Fair would receive 20 percent of the sales after the cost of the facility was paid. A contract is to be written up and sent to the commissioners by Sharon.

6) Wash Rack - no money to donate.

7) Sharon volunteered to call all previous renters to see if they will want to rent again this year.

8) Becky and Phil confirmed that they would be at the fair grounds on Saturday to store boats, motor homes, etc.

9) Patricia's Rodeo Royalty Invitation Letter was read and approved.

10) The cat barn roof was discussed and Sharon will ask her husband Dave again but no promises at this time.

11) Phil brought up some concerns from one of the Friends of the Fair who have rented the facilities. There were numerous concerns which included the following:

A: A revision in the renters' contract needs to include all expectation of the renter.

B: A walk through of the facilities needs to be completed when a renter rents a room to be shown items that included lighting switches, electrical plug-in, clean up material, etc.

C: There needs to be a walk through of what we have in the kitchen supplies. Several items are missing; examples are knives and medium bowls.

The board thought these were excellent ideas to improve their current process. Jerry said they will be assigned to a committee. Lydia volunteered her daughter Rhonda for the kitchen inventory and buying new items. Becky volunteered to help the committee to revise the rental contract.

12) Nov. 7th Superintendents and Friends of the Fair Potluck dinner was discussed the fair board providing Beverages and meat for the Potluck and BBQ. Becky received two action items: first to call the Meat Block and Tom's meats to ask for donations and to type and send out the memo for the Potluck. Sharon received an action item to find participants addresses and give to Becky.

13) Gretchen will bring a copy of the Reardan Royalty sponsor contract to the next meeting.

14) Becky to contact Care and Share for hold on costumes

15) Fair Royalty was given an action item to visit Davenport's businesses for advertisement and donations.

16) Sharon volunteered to contact all Harrington businesses for their donations and advertising.

17) Sharon received an action item to report on resolution of fair finding next meeting.

18) Clean up and inventory committee needs created - Jerry took this action item on.

19) Sharon was to run an add in exchange that the RV park is up and running.

20) Jerry brought up a security issue concerning the windows in the kitchen. The windows need to be closed.

21) Gretchen: Boy Scott Club to build display and report out next mtg.

Next meeting will be at Josie's house Dec. 4th.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Tallman