

Lincoln County Fair Advisory Board Minutes March 9, 2022

Board Members Present: John Merriott, Teresa Chrisman, Justine Winn, Lindsey Smith, Katie Bageant

Members Absent: Brad Ray, Rebecca Mattox, Cody Murdock, Brian Gunning

Friends of the Fair: Bryce Bailey, James Llewellyn

Others Present: Dawn Canfield, Christian Nelson

Meeting called to order at 6:42 pm.

John called the meeting to order.

The minutes from February were approved.

Christian Nelson with Against the Grain talked to the Board about performing at the Fair & Rodeo. His band was interested in performing Friday and Saturday. The band was also interested in playing Saturday night after the Rodeo. The prices for the band would be \$500 for Friday or Saturday, \$400 for Thursday or \$900 for Friday and Saturday, plus meals. The Board thanked Christian for coming to the meeting and told him they would let him know of their decision.

Dawn talked about reaching out to performer that was discussed last month. She booked Ventriloquist Joe Gandelman for 3 days.

Justine mentioned she went to the Big Horn Show and spoke with an individual with the Army about their trailer they had at the show that was set up with several play stations. She has the contact information and will reach out to the individual.

Bryce continued the conversation from last Board meeting about bringing in a big-name musician for Thursday night. The musician would play in the arena. Discussion about the pros and cons followed. Two major topics were security and parking. One idea for parking was talking to Stockland about using their parking lot and shuttling ticket holders to the Fairgrounds. For security, John mentioned he would contact Crowd Management Services about providing security for the musician.

Lindsey has been reaching out to musicians. She found two musicians that had the Fair & Rodeo dates available. One musician would cost \$17,000 plus hotel room and meals. The other was \$4,500. Discussion followed about the possibility of looking for local artists or having a

Linsey also researched stages. She found a company in Idaho that would provide all the equipment for a stage as well as set up and tear down of the stage for \$10,000.

Katie mentioned she was contacted by two bands, Rusty Vikings and Desert Rose Band. Both bands gave prices of \$600 for one day performance. Short discussion followed.

The final decision was to hold a meeting on April 13th to make a final decision about having a big-name musician and the other bands that are interested in playing at the Fair & Rodeo. Dawn mentioned this meeting would also be a good time to finalize the schedule.

Katie asked about having a drill team. Discussion followed but no decision was made.

Discussion started about a goat roping event. This would be a three-day event. The Board decided to hold the event where the beef barn stood.

Dawn mentioned that the County has hired a maintenance/groundskeeper.

The Board took some time to look over the entries that have been submitted for the Premium Book cover contest. The final date for submissions is March 31st but Dawn asked the Board to look over the current submissions. There have been 132 submissions for the cover contest and the Board chose their favorite submissions from the age groups. Dawn would contact the Board if additional submissions were made after tonight's meeting.

meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

The next meeting will be April 13th at 6:30 pm to finalize the

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Samantha Canfield
WSU Extension/Lincoln County Fairgrounds Office Manager