Meeting of the Lincoln County Fair Advisory Board May 16, 2004

Old Business:

Tractor---we are trying to get as long of a contract as we can. We are checking in to purchasing and then refinance through the State 3% with an annual payment. We have not heard what the final payment is. Gerry reported it is between \$25,000.00 - \$26,000. The down payment will be \$6,000.00.

New Business:

The inmate crew is almost done with the hydrants. We are waiting for the last 9 to arrive. The railroad ties will still need to be placed and the RV area is done. The inmates have painted the poultry barn, horse restrooms, benches & horseshoe pits.

The "new" cat barn needs electricity and a new roof. Gretchen offered to take the old cat house, but is not. Instead, Lowell will be taking the barn parts home.

We will leave the power pole with the electricity. An idea is to put vendors in a circle by the pole.

The Fair Board agreed to pay Alan Burns of Fast Track \$6000.00. It would include Tractor Pulls, Cow Milking, maybe Toilet Racers, sound system, etc. We will wait for a proposal from him for the final items included.

Sharon will call about a Bungie Jumping event that Jeanie found. They would pay us 10% of their profits.

The planters are cleaned out. Josie will plant seeds & wheat soon.

Bob & Josie bought Queen Marcie's belt buckle as a donation to the Fair for \$150.00. Josie will get the receipt to Sharon, so it can be receipted as a donation. Due to the high cost of gas, Marcie will only be doing local parades and rodeos.

Lydia mentioned that Mary Guhlke would like to borrow the poles with the metal bases for Mule Days. The board agreed that would be fine. Lydia agreed to contact her.

It was mentioned the small building by the arena needs to be cleaned out. It is filled with broken glass and other junk.

If there is no horse camp this year, could there be horse clinics instead? There is not much interest as of this meeting. The horse camp people would use the arena for the clinics, with the counselors bringing their horses. In order for the camp to break even, there need to be 35 kids. As of tonight there are 4 horse kids & 2 horseless kids.

Lydia reported that Amy asked Jeanie to write a Fair Board resignation letter for her. Amy is moving to Portland and will not be able to participate on the board any longer. Amy did mention that if she could get a ride, she would like to come up to help during the fair.

It was discussed that we have a huge weed problem on the grounds. Sharon will call McGregor's and Public Works to see about spraying. She will see if maybe we could get a donation of Round Up, or Sterilant.

The ecology blocks for the manure area have not been brought.

Sharon will order shavings for horse camp. Dale mentioned we need a rolling tarp for the shavings.

The next meeting will be on Saturday June 26 at 6:00 PM. It will be during horse camp and we can have dinner first, before the meeting.

No further business, we adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Members present: Gerry Stiles, Josie Breshears, Gretchen Weidmer, Dale Winfrey, Lydia Widmer and Fair Secretary, Sharon Nighswonger.

Respectively submitted,

Sharon Nighswonger

Fair Secretary