Lincoln County Fair Board Minutes February 11, 2015

Board Members Present: Gerry, Josie, Sarah, Justine **Members Absent:** Gretchen, Brad, John & Todd **Others Present:** Scott, Lydia, Loren & Sharon

The meeting began at 6:45 pm without a quorum.

The meeting began with Justine presenting bids for the rodeo stock. The bids received were:2 Bar D—Gene Hedden\$8500.00Kelley·Bowcutt\$7500.00Daniel Beard\$8000.00

Justine is checking on rodeo announcers and will put out a proposal for bid.

Lydia will do the donation letter again this year, but is waiting until April to send it out. The people sending in money from the donation letter will still be listed in the premium book.

Sharon will get prices on a smaller premium book. Justine had an old one that was $4 \frac{1}{2}x 6$." She will see what kind of savings, a smaller book will be.

Gerry is going to contact Webgar about putting together a "wall" to list advertisers that were previously in the premium book.

Sharon read a letter addressed to Dale Swant regarding the Reardan Lion's Club and their taking tickets at the fair. The letter was to avoid any hurt feelings from switching the Reardan and Davenport groups on Thursday and Friday.

The topic was brought up concerning entertainment, but nothing was decided.

Gerry informed the board he had met with the DNR Fire Camp people and adjusted the rates. The rates were increased for the three options used.

- Option #1 covers the Auditorium, Dining Hall, Parking Lots, Home & Arts Building. It also covers electricity, available restrooms, sewer and copies and sleeping areas. The daily rental went from \$375.00 to \$465.00.
- Option #2 covers the sleeping areas. The camping rate remains the same; \$25.00 for full hookups and \$10.00 per tent.
- Option #3 covers all of the buildings on the grounds with the exception of the poultry barn. The rate went from \$1400.00 to \$1600.00 a day.

Gerry presented the rental rates for review. A motion was made by Justine and 2nd by Josie. We also have contracts with the Red Cross and Lincoln Hospital and will need to update them as well.

The move out date for RVs and boats will be Saturday April 11.

A pay increase was discussed for Loren and Sharon. At this point they both make \$9.50 an hour. Minimum wage is now \$9.47 per hour. It was moved by Josie and 2nd by Justine to increase both employees hourly rate to \$10.50.

A fair theme needs to be chosen. The main consensus is "All American County Fair." A patriotic theme is easy to decorate with and we haven't done one in a few years.

A motion was made by Josie and 2nd by Justine to send out an email for everyone to vote on the action items discussed at the meeting.

Sharon will send out an email to vote on the stock contractor, wage increase, rate increase and fair theme. The emails will then be an official vote.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 10, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Nighswonger

Fair Secretary/Office Manager