

**DIXON COUNTY AGI SOCIETY AUGUST 25, 2014 MEETING**  
Concord Senior Citizens' Center, Concord, NE

President Ron Koch called the meeting to order as published with 9 members present: Ronald Koch, Mike Rewinkel, Mark Muller, Don Cunningham, Gene Bartels, Sandy Newton, Ryan Lubberstedt, Gary Hank and Allan Bauman. Absent: Stephanie Brentlinger and Jeremy Kneifl. Two guests were present.

The Nebraska Open Meetings Act information was posted by the entrance door.

Secretary Bauman's July minutes were sent to the Board and approved as sent.

Treasurer Newton's report was: General Fund Income \$62,811.00, Expenses \$55,625.90, Balance \$39,541.20, Savings \$5,571.05, Sinking Fund Income \$75.45, Sinking Fund Expenses \$1,410.93, Balance \$15,145.22, Savings \$10,446.39. Don motioned to accept the treasurer's report and pay pending bills. Mike 2<sup>nd</sup>. MCU.

Allan now has all expenses for advertising and will send in the final report for the Convention and Visitors Grant.

We will shut off water Tuesday evening, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, starting at 6:30 p.m. Electricity will be shut off in September.

The results of the survey taken of 437 people during the fair were reviewed. The comments were appreciated.

Review of 2014 Fair:

1. Horseshoes – Successful, do it again.
2. Parking – See if some lines of some sort could be put down. Check into renting trolley that has insurance coverage.
3. Sunday Church – Normal crowd. Sandy will check on Church for 2015.
4. Gospel Program – Good, small crowd as usual. Maybe look at Bull Riding on Sunday evening.
5. Barbeque – Big crowd and tables on wheels worked great. 5 pans pork left over. Next year order 283 lbs. beef and 220 lbs. pork.
6. Monday Grandstand – Good music but only have one group per night. Maybe try a name band on the way up or a band that has been around awhile.
7. Carnival – Advance sales good again. Carnival sales up. Fair dates next year will be August 1-5.
8. Exhibit Hall – 736 exhibits by 185 exhibitors. Numbers up. Commercial overflowing and they want to continue the demonstrations.
9. Horse Show & Team Sorting – Both had more entries.
10. Tractor Pulls – Both were good and continue both. Ryan said the track area is wide enough to have 3 tracks.
11. Pedal Pull – Normal numbers. Maybe have it on Sunday.
12. Demo Derby & Figure 8 – Great crowd. 12 full size cars, 12 in Compact Derby, 7 in Figure 8, and 4 pickups in derby. Keep Figure 8.
13. Judging – Good comments.
14. Machinery – Numbers down a little.
15. Antiques – Good numbers.
16. Teen Dance – Keep DJ. Normal crowd.

17. Restrooms – Water leak at west during busy time but with help from plumber across the street, it was fixed in a short time. Had portable toilets and had to have a couple by the horse arena pumped on Wednesday. Either have more portable toilets by horse arena and beer garden or schedule Tuesday pumping. We would like to replace west restroom.

18. Campers, 14 – We will use reservations of locations in 2015 with day charge of \$15.00.

19. Beer Garden – Maybe make a little bigger. Requests for portable toilets in garden.

20. Car Show – Good. Have from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. next year.

21. Old Fashion Carnival on Sunday – Well received again.

Sandy motioned to purchase a push chalk line machine. Mike 2<sup>nd</sup>. MCU.

Projects mentioned for fair grounds: A. West restroom. B. Dirt added to track and fill low spots around grounds. C. New sound system with underground wiring. D. New lights and poles on west side of track. E. Lengthen the Pedal Pull track.

Entertainment suggested for 2015: Concert band, Bull riding and keep Outlaw tractor pull.

Allan motioned to pay \$25.00 dues to Greater NE Nebraska Fair Circuit. Don 2<sup>nd</sup>. MCU.

Allan was the only board member planning to attend the Greater NE Nebraska Fair Circuit meeting, September 7<sup>th</sup>, in Hartington.

Director's terms expiring in 2014 are Mike Rewinkel, Don Cunningham and Gary Hank.

Next meeting is September 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m., at the Allen Fire Hall. It is the Budget meeting and Appreciation Supper.

Meeting adjourned on Sandy's motion.

Allan Bauman  
Secretary