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Lancaster County Agricultural Society, Inc.

A Nebraska 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation
and quasi-governmental organization created under Nebraska law in 1870
to promote agriculture, youth, and community
through management of Lancaster's County fairgrounds
and organizing the annual Lancaster County fair

MEETING MINUTES
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting
Thursday, January 15, 2026 7:00 pm
Sandhills Global Event Center
4100 N. 84th Street, Lincoln NE 68507

President Ronnau called the monthly meeting of the Lancaster County Agricultural Society board to order at 7:03pm.

Proof of due notice was given in the Lincoln Journal Star and the Nebraska Open Meeting Act was displayed in the room.

Lancaster Ag Society Board members attending in person were Dowding, Ronnau, Suing, Hardesty(arriving later), Cooper, Sump, Hagan, and Rutt. Not attending was Cusick-Rawlinson. Staff in attendance included Morrison, Roeber, Juengel, Bohaty, Bowen, Rief, Nathan, and Kumm. Also in attendance was Commissioner Johnson from Lancaster County and Hopping from BMG CPAs.

Approval of Minutes - The minutes of the December meeting were presented for approval. Sump made a motion to approve the minutes; Suing seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed 5-0. Cooper and Hagan abstained.

Financial Report – Hopping presented the information on fiscal year end, November and December financials. Bohaty pointed out payroll liability will be different as the process of accrual of vacation changed. Hopping discussed an overall anticipated increase in expenses due to inflation and state minimum wage increases. Ronnau asked of there were questions; there were none. Hagan motioned to accept November financials; Sump seconded the motion. The motion passed 7~~5~~-0. Suing made a motion to accept the December financials; Dowding seconded. The motion passed 7~~5~~-0. Cooper motioned to approve December checks in the amount of $313,854.25; Hagan seconded the motion. Motion passed 7~~5~~-0

Hardesty arrived at 7:25pm

Extension update – No update from extension

Communication from the public – Marty and Jerry Minchow spoke about their involvement with 4H over the years and how they like to check in on how we are doing. Ronnau spoke on how the Minchow's are a core part of 4H and keeping the kids involved**.**

Officer Reports – Ronnau talked about how thrilled she is with the progress that the staff has made over the year and how the public is noticing the difference in what is happing at the event center noting she is stopped by people while out and they are praising the changes.

Ronnau asked for a motion to move items 11 and 12 before committee reports. Copper motioned and Sump seconded.

Blue Jean Gala- Nathan presented the run of the show for board members to choose speaking parts. Juengal presented the plan for video testimonials from people involved in the first 25 years at the event center. Nathan and Juengal displayed the new awards for sponsors.

The 2026 Lancaster County Fair update-Bohaty presented a preliminary budget for the 2026 super fair including a new plan for charging for admissions instead of parking and how this will benefit all stakeholders. Juengal and Bohaty presented the new attraction zone plan to incorporate a kid's zone and allow families to enjoy both the carnival and the attractions.

Committee Reports - Bohaty discussed what he will be presenting for the NHSFR Mid-Winter Meeting later this month including ticketing fees, camping and stalling plans. Bohaty also shared an updated plan for the Queens portion of the contest.

Election of Officers-Hagan made a motion to keep the current officers in place; Sump seconded the motion. Ronnau asked three times if the board is comfortable to keep the 2025 slate of officers into 2026. Unanimous proclamation.

Designation of JPA Members for 2026- Dowding moves to keep the JPA Members the same for 2026 as 2025, Cooper seconds the motion. Ronnau asked three times if the board would like to keep the JPA members the sane for 2026. Unanimous proclamation.

Managing Director Report –Bohaty presented a hosted event the "American Road Legends" event will be held in April, and anticipating 240 cars. Many local car clubs are very excited for the event.

Bohaty shared two new arena drags that were purchased in part with sponsorships for the upcoming rodeo sharing the features of the new equipment and how it will allow a more operations staff to operate.

Bohaty commented on how well the Arenacross event went stating the show sold out and there was limited standing room.

Bohaty shared that cell phone extenders are being installed and tested in efforts for patrons on ground to have better cell reception while on site. This will benefit many attendees of the rodeo as some had cell phone providers that are not as popular in the area.

Bohaty updated the group on ongoing construction updates including the sewer project, updated doors for Fr8Star, and the potential purchase of a shower trailer that can be used in the campground for the rodeo and beyond.

Other Business – The date of the February monthly board meeting was discussed as a reminder that it moved to 2/10 as the Blue Jean Gala will be on 2/19.

The upcoming events were reviewed. Morrison asked for assistance in the Great Plains 8-Ball Shootout show as it will be a very busy weekend.

Sump made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Suing seconded the motion. There were no objections. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED as set forth herein on this 10th day of February, 2025. Submitted by the LANCASTER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA.

President Kendra Ronnau Kendra Ronnau

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