OREGON COUNTRY FAIR P O BOX 2972 Eugene, OR 97402 (503)343-4298

Board of Directors Meeting October 5, 1987

AGENDA

Announcements Approval of Last Minutes WOW Hall Registration Booth Problems Video Cameras Land Report Damage Path Seeding Fencing Caretaker Retreat Coordinator of Events Annual Meeting OCF Calendar

Members Present:

Frank Sharpy, (facilitator), Patti Lomont, Zakariah Schwartz, Lucy Lynch, Robert Aurnague-DeSpain, Don Hathaway, Anne Henry, Wally Slocum, Marshall Landman, John Winslow (alternate), Tom Wenk (alternate).

Announcements

Peter Eberhardt announced that the Oregon Country Fair received three blue ribbons and a really nice "Grand Prize" trophy from their participation in the Eugene Celebration Parade. Thanks to all those who participated this year. Those prizes won were for "Best Costume", Non-Commercial, Non-Float and of course the "Grand Prize". Peter and Anne Henry have composed a letter that they read, and plan to give to The Register-Guard to thank the community for their selection, etc.

Robert Aurnague-DeSpain announced that we have received a settlement from the contractor with the highway. We will have the culvert repaired, a fire road constructed and \$800 for reparation of damage that occurred during construction.

The Oregon Country Fair has a new Office. It is located at 323 East l2th in Eugene. The phone will remain the same. Please use the Post Office Box number for all correspondence. Thank you.

A big thanks goes to the following folks who helped greatly in getting the new office space together, and making it livable. Bernie Bradvica, Rebecca Harris, Jeff Harrison, Lucy Kingsley, Lucy Lynch, Barbara Neuhaus, Jon Olson, Deni Schadegg, Carey Wallis and Mary Wagner. A special thanks roes to Pam Ginder who painted a beautiful sign for the outside of the Juilding.

The Long Range Planning Committee will meet at 6:30 pm, November 1, 1987 at 2560 Inavale, Eugene. Phone - 342-3608 if you have questions.

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Minutes from Last Meeting

+++ Marshall Landman moved that the minutes from August 31, 1987 be approved as written. Zak Schwartz seconded. Motion passed 10-0.

WOW Hall

Lucy Lynch wanted to ask for support in requesting a financial statement as per our loan agreement with the WOW Hall, so that we might be able to better understand the manner in which plans are being made to deal with the loan. Support was given from all board members present.

The WOW Hall will have a fund raising event in the near future. Please watch for details.

Registration

Mary Wagner, Registration Coordinator, presented several problems that occurred with this year's OCF. The problems included late registration, dirty booths (requiring levy of fine), non-juried items displayed, and folks who would not permanently remove items even though they were told more than once each day of the fair to remove those items. Also, clarity was requested regarding the responsibilities of the Booth Representative.

- +++ Zakariah Schwartz moved that Registration policy should be used to inform those in question. Tom Wenk seconded. Motion passed 10-0.
- +++ Marshall Landman moved that the Board of Directors of the Oregon Country Fair support the expulsion of a booth who did not apply, showed up on Thursday, claiming they had registered, without substantial proof. Tom Wenk seconded. Motion passed 10-0. (Although several requests have been made of booth representatives to show cancelled checks they said existed, there still is no proof that they registered or had any communication with OCF prior to the fair.)

There was also a problem with someone using a video camera to record events prior to and during the OCF. There is clear language in the guidelines that indicate that <u>No</u> videocameras are allowed in the Figure 8, without permission. This is because some performers perfer to not be recorded and the language of their contract clearly indicates that their performances will not be taped. Evidently someone who is part of a booth for the OCF used a video cam on many occasions after being told by at least four staff members not to use the camera. It was suggested that the person who used the camera and refused to curtail that use be asked to leave the OCF. It was then brought up that this person was a booth representative and it was suggested that guidelines be revised to clearly outline the responsibilities of the booth representative as to the participation of a booth.

Land Report

Damage has been done to several booths by vandals. There was also a fire in a booth and thanks to our neighbors, the Churchills, things were quick taken care of and extensive damage did not occur. Someone has been driving a mountain bike in the Figure 8.

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Land Report (Continued)

Path seeding has happened and thanks to the following volunteers, it is getting a good start before the winter takes hold. Volunteers are: Ron Bailey, Brad Mowreader, Lucy Lynch, Deni Schadegg, John Winslow, Robert Aurnague-DeSpain, Dennis Todd, Ed Moye, Palmer Parker, Ken Rodgers, Bernie Bradvica, and of course Frank Sharpy.

There has been some clearcutting by the OCF fence near Aero Road to the barn and a fence needs to be constructed as quickly as possible to help cut down the trespassing, etc. It has been estimated that a secure fence can be made available for under \$5,000.00. (Clearcut not on OCF Property.)

+++ Frank Sharpy moved to approve up to \$5,000.00 for fencing, in the most environmentally safe manner, to be installed as soon as possible on the Arrow Road area to the barn. Marshall Landman seconded. Motion passed 10-0.

It was noted that the legal survey information available through the OCF lawyer should be utilized to insure that the fence is properly placed.

Because of the many problems that have been occurring over the past few years, it was brought out that we really do need a caretaker to help keep our land safe.

++- Patti Lomont moved to have the Board of Directors look into what is necessary to accommodate a caretaker on the property. Zak Schwartz seconded. Motion passed 10-0.

If you have or know of a mobile home or a trailer that is for sale, please contact the Board of Directors in care of the OCF post office box.

Retreat

Because of the expense of an over night retreat for the number of folks that would need to attend, it has been suggested that a day retreat might better serve our purposes. Because of time constraints, it was felt by those present that the retreat would be better planned and attended if it were held in January of 1988. Be certain to watch for your notification if you are a coordinator, old (young,too) board member, etc.

Coordinator of Events

After much discussion concerning the pros and cons of this position, most felt that someone who could tie in events, and other happenings would be appreciated, although most felt that the position should not require a "budget".

+++ Lucy Lynch moved to creat a Coordinator of Events position with no T-shirt, no food vouchers, and that Marshall Landman be appointed to the position with direct communication to the board, publicity, coordinators, etc., to properly coordinate all events. Robert Aurnague-DeSpain seconded. The motion passed 8-1-1.

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Annual Meeting

The two board members who will not run for re-election will facilitate the annual meeting to be held October 11, 1987. Patti Lomont and Robert DeSpain will perform the honors. The meeting will be held at the WOW Hall at 5:00 pm.

Agenda

Announcements Introductions Candidate Forum Voting State of the Peach OM Team Report Treasurers Report Feedback Report Arch**aeology** Report 20th Anniversary Ideas Election Results

OCF Calendar

The Fair is planning to print a black and white 13-month calendar featuring artwork from boothpeople artists. The idea has been around for a long ti to feature extraordinary art and to design a calendar that runs from July through July. Several thousand copies will be printed. The first calendar will be available in the Spring of 1988 and will run from July 1988 through July 1989. Please spread the word. To obtain your entry packet, please write to the Oregon Country Fair post office box.

We will send you the information needed to submit 8"x 10" black and white pictures of your artwork for the calendar contest. Thirteen entries will be chosen by a blind jury to be featured in the first annual Oregon Country Fair calendar. The deadline for entry is December 31, 1987.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Oregon Country Fair Board of Directors will be held on October 26, 1987 at 7:00 pm at the WOW Hall in the basement.

Minutes by

Cheryl Jones