

OREGON COUNTRY FAIR  
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Minutes for Board of Directors Meeting  
September 12, 1988

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Members Present: Frank Sharpy, Facilitating, Wally Slocum, Don Hathaway, Bedo Crafts, Anne Henry, Kathryn Madden, Lucy Lynch, Marshall Landman, Möz Wright, Zakariah Schwartz, John Winslow, alternate and Tom Wenk, alternate.

Minutes of Last Meeting

- +++ Marshall Landman Moved that the minutes from August 1, 1988 be approved as written. Bedo Crafts seconded. Motion carried 9-0.
- +++ Marshall Landman moved that the minutes from August 12, 1988 be approved as written. Lucy Lynch seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

WOW Hall

Robin Howard, Treasurer of the WOW Hall came to the Oregon Country Fair Board asking that an extension be granted to the deadline for repayment of the loan that is owed the OCF. She explained that several banks were on the line, as well as some very good prospects to co-sign the note with a bank. Robin felt that it would help to have a bit more time to finalize any plans in the making at the time of the due date, which was extended to be due September 28, 1988 from the original date due, May 28, 1988.

- +++ Marshall Landman moved that if the WOW Hall cannot meet the September 28, 1988 deadline for repayment of the loan, the OCF will extend the repayment for one month, with payment being the same as June, July and August payments, with financial reports due in a timely manner no later than September 28, 1988 for the months of June, July and August, and October 10, 1988 for the month of September. Lucy Lynch seconded. Motion carried 9-0-1.

### WOW Hall (Continued)

The discussion continued after the motion carried to make certain that earlier agreed upon items are being looked into and instituted. The WOW Hall spokeswoman indicated that long research is being conducted into instituting some of the educational programs agreed to earlier this year. She thanked the OCF BOD for being understanding in the lengthy process of finding financing.

### Archaeology Report

Dolly Friedel, Geomorphologist who is working on the archaeology report or study at the fair site reported some promising finds on the property which will be analysed later for the more precise dating. She is going to be digging and augering in various areas to examine sediment at various areas on the site. People present were anxious to have in-depth studies to have knowledge about the past of the people who lived in this area. Many thanks for all of Dolly's hard work.

### Water Project

Ken Rodgers was present to report on the progress of the project. He first off wanted to thank the many people who worked so hard to help get things on the track. Thanks to all, including, Lloyd Burnell, Charles Drew, Dave Hicks, Lucy Lynch, Scott Landeck, Ed Moye, Palmer Parker, Andy Grahn, Darrell Nealon, Ben Sturgil, Kathy Thompson, Dennis Todd, Alan Tribio, Mike Walker, Steven Wood, and more.

3200 feet of pipe is in the ground. They were able to get more accomplished than originally planned thanks to all the help. The need for safe drinking water is the reason for the system. They will be installing many outlets in the future for water fountains, and handwashing areas, as well. There will be handwashing at the six-packs next year, and more to come. The priority is health.

### Crafts Jurying

Because many people who sold crafts at this year's fair were unsatisfied with the jurying process for new items this year, several of the crafts people have met and spoken of having a crafts guild to allow for more say in the items that will be allowed to be sold at the fair. Many artists, according to the people present would like to be allowed to have their crafts allowed into the fair even though they may not be akin to the original craft that allowed them to be chosen to sell crafts at the fair. Many of the staff present felt that it would be sort of like a "lifetime" booth. Once a person was accepted, they would be allowed to sell any item that they wanted. The staff pointed out that one of the reasons that our fair is such a good one and a well received one is that the quality of the crafts is excellent. Crafts people were indicating that they felt it was very limiting to be an artist and not be able to express individuality. Staff said that perhaps someone may make wonderful pottery that appeals to many individuals, but not be able to paint pleasing pictures that would be accepted by the consumers who attend the fair. It was also explained by staff that the crafts judges are not sales people for the fair. They are carefully chosen for their individuality and skill



Crafts Jurying (Continued)

as artisans. The anonymity extends to the crafts themselves. The identity of the crafts person is not known when the judging is conducted. Crafts people present were anxious to have a meeting and talk over problems and get on with it.

Marshall Landman said that he understood there were problems, but that he wanted to make certain that people were able to work within the system. If the crafts people want to be involved, they must attend meetings, and be part of the board, crews, etc. The organizational work is done for a reason. It makes things be consistent, as well as organized. If people want to change the organizational rules, they must work with the system to achieve those changes.

Zak Schwartz said that he would support a task force to help interface and solve this problem. Many other board members expressed anxiousness to help make crafts people feel their concern. Lucy Lynch said that a system of checks and balances were needed to help with conflict of interest, as well as help the crafts people as individuals.

++ Lucy Lynch moved to appoint a committee of five (5) crafts people and five (5) members appointed by the BOD, with one of the members being from the Registration Crew to define issues and review the current procedures including regulations and jurying and make recommendations to the Board of Directors. Marshall Landman seconded. Motion carried 0-0.

++ Lucy Lynch moved to appoint Anne Henry, Palmer Parker, Jim Gutherie, Rebecca Harris, and Wally Slocum as the five person slate to be the the board appointed representatives on this committee. Bedo Crafts seconded..Motion carried 10-0.

Eugene Celebration Parade

Don Hathaway is coordinating this year's fair entry for Eugene Celebration this year. Don Hathaway can be reached for questions at 935-7600. The parade participants will need to meet at 8:30 am sharp near the corner of Amazon Parkway and 19th Street in the place where the school district parks its busses. The parade is 2½ miles long and costumes will be needed, Peach Carts will be provided, and refreshment available. Two Musical groups will play in the OCF delegation. Call Don for details.

Inventory

T-Shirts will be ordered in three (3) weeks to get a good job on the silk screening.

Treasurer

Anya Montgomery is resigning and is training Lucy Lynch to be Treasurer.

++ Frank Sharpy moved that the Board of Directors appoint Lucy Lynch to be Treasurer-in-Training. John Winslow seconded. Motion carried 9-0-1.

### Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting will be held at 5:00 pm, October 16, 1988 at the WOW Hall. The agenda will be posted so that it is easily visible by the audience. There will be reports and speeches and the election with a small amount of entertainment provided by two crews, the Construction Crew and the Sanitation Crew.

Palmer Parker is going to run for the board this year and will be unable to perform his usual elections committee work. He asked that Lucy Lynch be appointed to fill that vacancy since she has worked with him and knows the process.

+++ Marshall Landman moved to appoint Lucy Lynch as elections coordinator. Tom Wenk seconded. Motion carried 9-0-1.

Many thanks to Palmer for a great job.

### Tape Recorder, etc.

The need to tape meetings was brought out again. Because of the budget impact, research needs to be done into the costs and a report needs to be presented to the budget committee requesting the funds for tapes and a machine that would be adequate to clearly record the meetings. The research will be presented at the next meeting.

### Secretary

Oregon Country Fair BOD Secretary has resigned after the September 12, 1988 meeting. The board thanked Cheryl for her work.

+++ Lucy Lynch moved to appoint Norma Sax as Oregon Country Fair Secretary. Marshall Landman seconded. It was acclaimed unanimously.

### Communications

Communication Wire needs to go in to the trench, so that we won't have to dig it up again. The project should cost around \$2,000.00.

+++ Zakariah Schwartz moved that the OCF approve the purchase of communication wire to be installed in the trench after the water line is installed. Marshall Landman seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

### Caretaker

John Winslow, Caretaker said that he has worked on the trailer, He fixed hotwater heater, mowed stage area, and noted many other items to be done. He says that several things will be needed on the caretaker trailer, including a roof, railings to the porch, etc.

Sallie Edmunds said that ten months ago, John took the position as caretaker. At that time it was rather emorphous as to a job description. John has worked and honed down the items that need to be done on a daily, weekly, monthly basis. We need to recognize the amount of work done and the amount of time that needs to be spent as caretaker.



Caretaker (Continued)

Tom Wenk moved to reappoint John Winslow as caretaker for the coming year. Marshall Landman seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

Log Jam

John Stamp was present and said there there is a log jam that should be dealt with before the rains begin this winter. He has talked with an individual who will be able to use his equipment in the area without causing undue damage for \$400.00 and is asking the board for approval for that sum.

Once again, the members of the board reminded John that the proper channels need to be followed. The request for funds should be presented for the budget committee's approval before bringing it to the board.

Others present were concerned that John should contact the Army Corps of Engineers before doing anything that may damage the banks of the Long Tom.

+++ Marshall Landman moved that the Oregon Country Fair allocate up to \$400 to the Log Jam removal project after West Lane Fire District and the Army Corps of Engineers are contacted to make certain that all permits are applied for. The project needs a liaison with the Board and permits need to be checked and services offered checked as well. Tom Wenk seconded. Motion carried 9-1.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held October 3, 1988 at 7:00 pm at the WOW Hall.

Remember the Annual Meeting

Annual Meeting to be held October 16, 1988 at 5:00 pm at the WOW Hall in Eugene. Please plan to be there. There will be elections of half the Board of Directors. If you would like to be part of the Board of Directors you should send a clear and simple statement of your campaign wishes to the attention of Lucy Lynch, Those should be sent to 2560 Inavale, Eugene, OR 97403 prior to October 10, 1988.

Remember the Eugene Celebration parade on October 1, 1988. Check the item listed in these minutes for more specifics.

There will be a final information gathering meeting regarding the Mycall Sunanda grievance on Monday, October 24, 1988 at 1508 Oak St. Eugene at 6:30 pm. Information may be sent by mail to that address to the attention of Zak Schwartz. The information may be passed on by phone through 484-4971. Leave a message and someone will get back to you.

Minutes by  
Cheryl Jones

dieu-----see you all at the OCF for the 20th anniversary---Cheryl

