# OREGON COUNTRY FAIR P. O. Box 2972, Eugene, OR 97402 343-4298 Board of Directors, March 6, 1989

PRESENT: Bedo Crafts, Marshall Landman, Dahinda Meda, Frank Sharpy, Zak Schwartz, Wally Slocum, Mary Wagner, Tom Wenk, John Winslow (alternate), Moz Wright (alternate).

ABSENT: Palmer Parker, Kathryn Madden

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. There will be a potluck for all OCF coordinators, Board, and officers on March 18, 1989, 7:00 p.m., at Frank and Jeanne Sharpy's, 2493 York Street, 461-0732. Please bring a dish

corresponding with your last initial: Q-Z, salad ; A-H, dessert







(Still a tofu hot dog. The secretary is still a vegetarian. And Franco is still dead.)

- 2. Anne Henry would like someone to coordinate advertising for the Peach Pit. All you Madison Avenue types call Anne at the Fair office, 343-4298.
- 3. Mary Wagner registered an objection to the special meeting that was held on February 23, 1989 on two grounds: (1) she did not receive notice of the meeting or its time and place; and (2) by-laws require that special meetings be called seven days beforehand by the President in writing.
- 4. Remember to carpool to the Fair. Marshall said if there is enough interest from the staff, he can arrange for busses on Thursday and Monday. Coordinators, please ask your crews if they would take the bus to and from the Fair those days and let Marshall know (again, via Fair phone).
- 5. The Board gave approval for the Treasurer to periodically see the balance in the Fair's account at OUR Credit Union.
- 6. The Board approved the re-opening of the OCF's account at Kinko's with Lucy Lynch (Treasurer), Norma Sax (Secretary) and Rebecca Harris (Registration Coordinator) being users.
- 7. The Survival Center at the University of Oregon is sponsoring a presentation about the Fair's archaeology at the University Natural History Museum on April 19 at 4:30.
- 8. Zak and Tom are arranging a crisis intervention training for coordinators for April 22.

# MINUTES OF MANY MEETINGS

<u>February 6, 1989</u> - Mary moved the Board approve the minutes of the February 6, 1989 meeting as written. Bedo seconded the motion which passed, 9-0. (Frank out of the room.)

February 10, 1989 - Tom moved the Board approve the minutes of the February 6, 1989 meeting as written. Bedo seconded the motion which passed, 9-0. (Frank out of the room.)

February 23, 1989 - The minutes should state that Dahinda was not present. Also, the sentence indicating all Board members were given due notice of the meeting should be stricken. Tom moved and Bedo seconded that the minutes of the February 23, 1989 meeting be approved as amended. The motion passed, 8-1-1 (Mary abstained, Frank voted against.)

#### CARETAKER REPORT

There was a flood and a blizzard. Broken and frozen water pipes have been replaced. Lots of trees have fallen down because of the snow. John chased away BB gun armed teenagers using the Community Village (of all places) as a battleground.

**REVENUE INCREASES** ("A mark, a yen, a buck or a pound, that's all that makes the world go around.")

Lucy Lynch said crew budget requests are about 20-30% over last year's, partly because of the new highway and increased attendance. The Budget Committee projects expenses for 1989 to be \$270,234 and recommends that revenues be increased by (a) raising gate admission to \$7 on Saturday and Sunday, (b) raising camping pass prices to \$40 before Thursday and \$45 after Thursday, and (c) raising booth fees to \$175 craft booth, \$275 food booth, \$75 strolling craft vendor, \$75 strolling food vendor, \$75 non-profit craft vendor, \$140 non-profit food vendor.

Rebecca Harris, Registration Coordinator, suggested changing both fees as follows: increase crafts booths to \$160, increase food booths to \$240, decrease strolling vendors fees to \$60, increase non-profit crafts booths to \$80 and increase non-profit food booths to \$120.

Marshall moved and Zak seconded that the Board approve the Budget Committee's revenue increase proposal with the following amendment: raise Community Village and Energy Park worker passes to \$25, increase booth fees as follows: craft booths to \$170, food booths to \$265, strolling vendors to \$70, non-profit craft booths to \$75, non-profit food booths to \$130. The motion passed, 10-0.

#### GUIDELINES

The Board asked the OM Team to consider several editorial changes to the 1989 Guidelines which will go to press this week.

## FRANK WAS RIGHT AND DON'T FORGET IT.

#### CREW BUDGETS

The Budget Committee will present a completed budget at the April 3 meeting and requested a work session with the Board for March 28 at 7 p.m. at 2190 W. 11th Avenue.

## **LAWYER**

Mary reported that the Lawyer Search Committee reviewed applications from two attorneys (Russell Poppe and Martha Evans) and one firm (Swanson and Walters) to be the Fair's lawyer. After consulting with the former Fair attorney, Jill Heiman, the committee recommended the Fair hire Russell Poppe. Bedo moved and Tom seconded that the Board accept the Lawyer Search Committee's recommendation to hire Russell Poppe as the Fair's attorney. The Board thanks all the attorneys who applied. The motion passed, 10-0.

# FIRST AID TRAINING FOR MAIN CAMP

Zak reports that White Bird can provide a one-day First Aid training (including CPR) for Fair staff at \$20 per person if 15 people attend. Mary moved the Board authorized \$300 for first aid training for 15 main camp staff with persons and dates to be selected by the General Manager. Bedo seconded the motion which passed, 10-0.

## BAN THE STYROFOAM

As per the recommendation of the Restaurant Booth Committee, the Oregon Country Fair is now a styrofoam free zone.

#### CHRISTIC INSTITUTE SPONSORSHIP REDUX

Jim Guthrie asked the Board to co-sponsor the talk being given by Bill Davis, co-founder and chief investigator of the Christic Institute on March 15 at the University of Oregon. *Mary moved and* 

Frank seconded that the OCF co-sponsor Bill Davis' speech in the amount of \$50. The motion passed, 10-0.

#### **CAMPING PASSES**

The Board discussed the possibility of requiring photo ID's on camping passes. There was much discussion on this topic (as you might well imagine). Those for felt it would sharply reduce counterfeit passes and would solve pass and crowd control problems. Those against felt it was a lot of unnecessary work for admission and security crews, and would not solve the problem of staff people sneaking in their friends. The use of plastic was also a concern. No action will be taken on this suggestion this year, but everyone was asked to be aware of the amount of passes being traded at the 1989 Fair. Watch this space for this subject again.

## **NEXT MEETING**

Board meeting - April 3, 1989, 7:00 p.m., WOW Hall, Eugene, OR

SPRING FLING - May 6, 1989.

Happy St. Patty's Day from the O'regon Country McFair.

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it was a dark and stormy night.