

# OREGON COUNTRY FAIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MARCH 5, 1990

**PRESENT:** Janine Alea, Bedo Crafts, Michael Goldhammer, Dahinda Meda, Palmer Parker, Frank Sharpy, Darrel Sink (alternate), Wally Slocum, Mary Wagner, Moz Wright (alternate)

NOT PRESENT: Kathryn Madden, Tom Wenk

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Fair needs volunteers for data entry work. Please leave a message for Rick on the Fair answering machine if you are interested in this task.



2. The Crafts Committee will met Saturday, April 14 at 2 p.m. at 1775 W. 14th, Eugene.

# REPORTS

<u>Caretaker</u> - John Winslow said Main Stage lawn got mowed. Junction was seeded and fertilized. Trillium and yellow violets were planted. John chased off vandals and got them in living color with his camera. John also said that some booths were damaged during winter. These are: 867, 827, 815, 801, 763, 707, 651, 577, 511, 499, P45, P35. If one of these booths is yours, call John at the Fair office for more info. Also, call John if you would like to donate items to be raffled at the Spring Fling.

# LAST MINUTE CLEAN UP A See page Z of May 7, 1990 minutes for additions. Darrel moved to amend the motion on the sweep to say the Board authorizes the Sweep to go anywhere at anytime during the Sweep. Wally seconded the motion which

Sweep to go anywhere at anytime during the Sweep. Wally seconded the motion which passed, 9-0. (Moz had not yet arrived when the vote was taken.)

# ARCHAEOLOGY

John Stamp, Archaeology Coordinator, submitted a proposal that the archaeology exhibitors be named a crew of 11 members and that since they were successfully juried in last year, they not be required to rejury each year.

Darrel said he was in favor of an archaeology crew but thought 11 members was two many. Also, he felt that the sellers had to be juried or their revenue should go to Oregon Country Fair Board of Directors, March 19, 1990 the Fair.

Jim Guthrie said the crafts fit into the Fair's guidelines of hand gathered and handmade items and that archaeology experts would do the jurying. Palmer said it's important the crew know it has to abide by all fire regulations. Wally suggested that jurying be done every three years for the archaeology booth and that the Board see an accounting of the booths' income to see how a booth like that would do. John Stamp felt jurying was okay, but that it should be done by archaeology experts rather than crafts people. Rebecca Harris, Registration Coordinator, suggested the motion be divided with voting on jurying to occur at a later date when more information is available.

Frank moved the archaeology exhibitors be recognized as staff, the crew level being set at 11 persons. Since the archaeology crew was successfully juried in last year, they will not be required to rejury each year. Wally seconded the motion which failed, 0 for, 7 against, 2 abstaining.

### GUIDELINES

The Board and othesr made suggested changes in wording of the guidelines. Most were grammatical and typo changes.

Darrel was concerned that registration had made a policy change regarding booth representation by stating "Representation may only be delegated or transferred to a booth member who has been with that particular booth for the immediate past two or more years. The fair will not recognize a new representative who does not meet this qualification." Rebecca assured Darrel this was not a policy change, but a change in wording of existing policy.

Palmer moved the Board accept the Guidelines as corrected. Bedo seconded the motion which passed, 9 for, 1 (Frank) abstaining.

# BARTER FAIR

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Several people who have been meeting to work out details for keeping the Barter Fair on Fair property expressed their concern that the Fair staff and Board and the Barter Fair staff cooperate to put on this event. Michael Bartotti of this committee gave a lengthy history of the Barter Fair, its ups and its downs. He pointed out that the Fair has previously banned it but has not enforced its ban. He suggested the Board form a committee of Fair members, non-members and Board members "with the express goal of making the Barter Fair its own entity and give it the legal, moral and financial support it needs."

The Barter Fair steering committee distributed copies of the minutes of two of their meetings. They propose to handle all responsibilities for the event including registration, security, traffic, sanitation, water, fire, and cleanup.

Darrel said the Fair Board is responsible for what happens on Fair property and that the parking lot is not the place for the Barter Fair. Other Board members expressed concern with traffic, security, cleanup and legal problems with the Barter Fair. Wally said he favors a Barter Fair that is "under control," there must be security; it cannot be open to non-Fair vendors. Mary said the issue of land-use needs to be addressed. JR Robinson, Traffic Coordinator, said no one on his crew is willing to work on Monday with the Barter Fair. Cindy of the BF Steering Committee asked that if the BF be moved, that fact be included in the guidelines. Moz suggested that the space be

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rented to hold the BF. Janine, who is Security crew leader on Monday, said she did a study and found out it would cost \$16,000 to assure that only Fair family be allowed on the property on Monday. Michael Goldhammer felt the BF should be helped along by the Fair.

Darrel moved the Board of Directors hereby resolve that the event known as the "Barter Fair" will no longer be held on Oregon Country fair property. Since we realize there is a price to pay for our actions, we ask the budget committee to review and approve a separate request for an increase in security to assure compliance with this policy. Bedo seconded the motion which failed, 6 for, 4 (Michael, Moz, Wally, Mary) against.

Mary moved and Wally seconded that the Board ask the Barter Fair Steering Committee to present a written proposal outlining how they will deal with liability insurance, property insurance, sanitation, fire protection, security, traffic, medical, and legal issues and propose a rental fee. This needs to be presented at the April Board meeting and will voted on at the May meeting. If the Board does not approve the proposal, the Barter Fair will be disallowed. The motion passed 8 for, 1 (Darrel) against, 1 (Frank) abstaining.

# ALTER ABLE ACCESS ADVOCACY

Michael moved and Palmer seconded that the 4A workers be recognized as a crew. The motion passed, 8 for, 0 against.

### NEWLOOP

At the February meeting, the Planning Committee presented a proposal for a new loop which the Board failed to adopt. The Committee now offered more information about their choice of site, including costs, and asked that the new loop be considered again.

Ron Chase of the Planning Committee said some booths have to be moved or eliminated because of the danger of their falling in the river. He said the site (across Indian Creek to the Crafts Lot) chosen will hold 47 booth sites. The Committee does not foresee losing any trees. Dahinda said none of this area is wetlands except Indian Creek.

Palmer moved and Dahinda seconded that the Board approve the riverbank protection plan and the new loop to provide replacement booths. This approval is in concept so that work can continue. Specific budget will come before the Board as work progresses. The motion passed, 9 for, 1 (Moz) against.

### SIGNIFICANTOTHER PASS

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The Board previously approved a proposal to make one significant other pass be made available to each staff person for \$15. Some people felt this would have a detrimental effect on crews as people would not want to work. Darrel, on the other hand, felt it was a benefit that should be offered the staff.

Palmer moved and Dahinda seconded that significant other passes be the same price that camping passes were last year, \$40 before Thursday, \$45 on Thursday and after. The motion failed 6 for, 4 (Bedo, Moz, Michael, Darrel) against.

Darrel moved and Moz seconded that significant other passes cost \$25 and \$30 each. The motion passed, 7 for, 3 (Palmer, Janine, Wally) against.

# MEMBERSHIPFORM

Darrel moved that the membership form presented to the Board be approved and sent to the membership. Dahinda seconded the motion which passed 9 for, 0 nay.

### ARCHAEOLOGY REDUX

Frank moved and Darrel seconded that the Board appoint a 3-person archaeology staff who would obtain service contracts for 8 artisans who will demonstrate their ancient arts in the Archaeology Park. These non-staff artesians will be able to sell their artifacts through the Archaeology Booth like performers sell tapes through the Fairaphenalia Booth. Archaeology and registration will work out an appropriate jurying process satisfactory to all parties. The motion passed, 9 for. (Mary left the meeting before this vote.)

### NEXT MEETING

Monday, April 2, 1990, 7 p.m., EWEB Community Room, Dahinda will facilitate -Agenda items: Appoint Relief Managers, Entertainment, Communications Coordinator.

