# BOARD OF DIRECTORS JULY 7, 1996

**PRESENT:** Daniel Dillon, Martha Evans, Paxton Hoag, Jack Makarchek, Jeanne Sharpy, Rich Locus, Tom Alexander, Anne Henry, Jim Sahr, and Rich Locus & Reggie Soto (alternates).

## **MINUTES APPROVAL:**

Daniel moved, and Jim seconded, to approve the minutes of the June 3, 1996, BoD meeting. The minutes were approved unanimously, 8 in favor and 0 opposed. (Not yet present: Paxton, Jack, David & Rich)

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Anne reported that everyone must be pleased with all aspects of the Fair as no feedback has been received! However, one may note that feedback is accepted year round.

Bob Durnell announced that this will be his last year as coordinator or co-coordinator. Greg Haylor is his recommendation for next year's coordinator.

Elections for Board of Directors will be held at the Annual Meeting on Oct. 19, 1996. Look for further information in this fine publication for guidelines and time frame for submitting position statements if you are interested in running for the Board.

Letters of interest for participating on the Election Committee this year are being accepted.

Daniel offered the following weekends as options for nonholiday weekends for the BoD retreat: Oct 26/27 or Nov 2/3.

The two-day Planning/Visioning Retreat to explore an OCF Second Event will be held Oct. 5-6. RSVP to the Fair office by Aug 10. Leave your name, phone number and address.

Leslie announced Hilary Anthony's resignation as Vaudeville Co-coordinator. Hilary has great skill at behind the scenes organizing and groundwork. Leslie thanked her for all her work in this role and best wishes as she transitions to other areas in the Fair.

The Cart Contest has suffered time problems. Thus no awards will be given this year and the contest is extended for one more year.

Marta Trace, from Booth #288, died in Turkey a month ago. Her booth will remain empty this year.

#### **MEMBER INPUT**

Kudos for Leslie: Daniel, Jim and David all expressed appreciation of our fine General Manager's work to pull off this event. She has done such a fantastic job. One can sense that this is going to be a spectacular event. Things are running particularly exceptional. All of Leslie's work with the community relations team and the City of Veneta is heading the Fair in exactly the right direction. Frank Sharpy is impressed by the crew of folks working together and enjoying it. It is Leslie's fault that he doesn't have anything about which to complain! We just can't say enough how much we appreciate you.

Anne reported that booth members and staff are pleased that the New Path Planning process is so open. Thank You.

#### **STAFF & OFFICER REPORTS**

<u>General Manager</u> The new site office is beautiful! The Pole Shed issue will be reassessed after the Fair. A comprehensive list of neighborhood campgrounds is available. The pedestrian paths to/from the Fair are being worked out. We are developing an evacuation plan in a much more formal way. Incident Response Protocol will be reviewed as well as drafting an Incident Response Form.

The Spray Irrigation license has been signed with the City of Veneta. The agreement includes our intent to swap land as well as continuing to develop a staff campground.

Thank You to all the BUMs and especially to Sallie for her work on the New Loop/Path Planning. It is very exciting to take the principles of who we are and what we stand for (*respect for the land and its inhabitants*) and then bump them up against the needs of the Fair (*decrease congestion, improve traffic flow, replacement sites for booths affected by past and future floods.*) We hope for some very creative solutions.

Thank You to Penny and Mike James for donating the new and beautiful, professional-quality Gypsy Stage. Also, imagine that post-Fair, this stage is collapsible and portable.

Thank You, Shirley and Registration Crew, for hustling to fill 10 one-year only booths at the last minute.

Thank You!. None of this would come together without the incredible coordinators and crews who give so much so well.

<u>Site Manager</u> Bill thanks the volunteers and Main Camp. Much work has been accomplished. The two new Refrigerator trucks have been sited and positioned. The fuel depot is installed and working. Bus Road has been widened which should make traffic flow more smoothly. The Oak tree is gone; it has been milled. (*Did you sit in the beautiful new bench on the Left Bank? Thank you for your wonderful craftsmanship and homage to a fine old friend.*) Hope you have (*had*) a wonderful Fair!

Administrative Assistant Norma spends a lot of time up in her plush new digs (the new site office). Thank you to Barney, Sean, Arrow, Dennis and Aussie Mark for building a wonderful deck! Magic happens in the woods while she's working away. It's an amazing show watching it all come together.

<u>**Treasurers</u>** Oops. Steve reports that a \$24,000 mistake was made in the latest budgets. This reflects the approved Entertainer Contract increase; (probably working off an older version of the budget saved on computer). The bottom line is still positive but less than expected. We just need to be very careful about staying on budget.</u>

Hilary adds that work with the Quartermaster, kitchen and other crew budgets is going very smoothly. Folks are communicating clearly and turning in receipts in a timely manner. We're staying within budget!

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

<u>**Personnel**</u> New members are sought for the Personnel Committee. Please submit a letter of interest. Briefly explain your Fair history, background and qualities you would bring to the committee.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

# **DONATION REQUESTS**

David moved to table the donation request from Pearl Buck Center until after the Fair. The motion passed, 9 in favor and 1 opposed (Jim).

#### **ABANDONED PERSONAL PROPERTY**

Palmer moved, and David seconded, that (quoting from Russell Poppe's, AAL, letter dated 7/5/96) All personal property (including items and/or vehicles owned by staff and/or booth people left any where on the Fair site including in or behind booths) must be removed from the Fair site by one week after the picnic each year unless prior written permission is obtained from the Site Manager. A copy of the permission will be given to the property owner and the original will remain with the Site Manager. Remaining "unpermitted" personal property will be deemed abandoned and be disposed.

*BoD Discussion:* Having received copies of Russell's letter just prior to this meeting, many of the BoD were not prepared to discuss this proposal. More time is needed for review.

# Palmer moved, and Paxton seconded, to table this motion until after the Fair. The motion to table passed, 9 in favor and 1 opposed (David).

## **FURTHER FESTIVAL TICKETS**

Jim moved that the Springfield Creamery be allowed to sell tickets for the Further Festival from their booth during the '96 Fair.

*Public Discussion:* Sue Kesey said the Springfield Creamery sold tickets to the 1982 Field Trip out of their booth. Reports say the tour is going well and the music is getting better all the time. Jeff Harrison reported that Craft Inventory crew would not object especially as this is a one year proposal.

*BoD Discussion:* Anne confirmed that this is a one-year proposition for this event only.

The motion passed unanimously, 10 in favor and 0 opposed.

## SWIM TEAM BUDGET

Martha moved that the expense reimbursement for the Swim Team (bums in training) be increased by \$400 in the General Manager's budget.

The motion passed unanimously, 10 in favor and 0 opposed.

# POLE SHED ADDITIONS

David moved, and Anne seconded, to table this motion until the zoning permit is clarified.

*Public Discussion:* Leslie will have information ready by the September BoD meeting.

*BoD Discussion:* Palmer would like the pole shed built before the rainy season begins again.

The motion passed unanimously, 10 in favor and 0 opposed.

# POLYSTYRENE AND RECYCLING

Palmer moved, and David seconded, that the BoD disregard the the guideline prohibiting polystyrene this year.

*Public Discussion:* Bob Durnell explained that polystyrene is no longer made with CFCs or HCFCs. The coffee cups are now made of #6

plastic. The reasons prohibiting the use of polystyrene no longer apply. This will decrease the amount of trash taken to the dump by approximately three fewer 30-yard dumpsters.

**BoD Discussion:** Palmer offered a friendly amendment that the BoD ignore this Guideline for the '96 Fair and delete it for the '97 Fair. Paxton is opposed; it is clear that this is a one-year experiment. **The motion passed, 9 in favor and 1 opposed (Anne).** 

# **NEW BUSINESS**

# FUNDING FOR AMERICAN PEACE TEST CONFERENCE ON NUCLEAR COLONIALISM

**COORDINATOR RESPONSIBILITIES -- Available on site** during Fair Time