

February 21, 1956

The Washington County Fair Board met at the U. S. National Bank in the Lounge Room with all members present.

Mrs. Higgs and Mrs. Palmrose of the Beaverton Garden Club were present in reference to planning future floral exhibits at the fair, asking that it be more centrally located, for more benches for the convenience of the public, more room for display, that a representative or representatives of the garden clubs <sup>be appointed</sup> to prepare the schedule of arrangements.

It was agreed by the board that these representatives carry the above information back to the Garden Clubs of Washington County to see if other suggestions might be obtained and the floral department expanded to make a greater show for 1956; also, it was mentioned that the Hillsboro Garden Club should have the privilege of serving as chairman of this year's exhibit. This also, was agreed by Mrs. Higgs that she would ask them or pass this information on to them and advise of all findings soon.

Another suggestion was that there might be offered a sweepstake premium to the Garden Club making the best showing. A revolving trophy was suggested but no definite decision reached.

Milford Reed, county extension agent was present with several suggestions from the 4-H Leader's Organization, as follows:

1. Construction of men's toilet
  2. Pathways in various places- perhaps fine gravel
  3. Blacktopping floor of building
  4. 4-H Dormitory- which the 4-H leaders believe they can raise the funds to build if they had the approval of the fair board
  5. Better drainage around the dairy barn ( as mud was very bad)
  6. More room in the exhibit building
- Also said the 4-H people did not like the idea of a split fair!

Mr. Reed was assured of the cooperation of the fair board relative to the building of the dormitory, and suggestions were that since the Oregon State Extension Service should have available engineers and material on this subject they could be contacted and any plans presented and approved by the fair board before any construction would be started. Motion to this effect was made by Abts and approved by the board.

Merton Sahnaw thought it advisable for the board to meet with the open-class dairy people and see what their feelings were in the matter of an split show.

Henry and Don Haag were present in the interest of 4-H exhibitors.

Discussion as to the premium book was had, and it was decided to ask the Argus if they cared to take the printing of the book on the same basis as in the past for the advertising they were able to procure?

Motion was made by Nyberg, seconded by Abts and carried that the following bills be allowed:

Public Emp. Ret. Bd.	.55	Portland Gas & Coke Co.	5.88
Portland Gen. Elec.	13.08	Pool Gardner Lumber	7.43
" "	12.21	Hillsboro Office Supply	17.72
Lester Ireland Hdwe.	1.22	Employee's Ret. (Oregon) Ed.	32.45
		Public Empl. Ret. Bd.	.24

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the same stood adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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