

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR

Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held January 19, 1977

CALL ORDER
AND ATTENDANCE

Acting Board Chairman Springer called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. at the fair office with the following Board and guests in attendance.

BOARD

Joe Evers
Ralph Holland
Jim Springer
Jerry Boyer
Chuck Colegrove

MANAGEMENT

Richard Jossy
Adeline Hesse

GUESTS

Al Mohr, Maintenance Manager
Norm Perkins - 4-H Advisory
Jean Payne, 4-H Home Economic Advisory
Jeannie Erhardt - 4-H Small Animals
Dene Mallory, 4-H Livestock Advisory

GUESTS

Al Flory, 4-H Agent
Caroline Cannon, 4-H Agent
Sonja Sompson, 4-H Chr.

4-H DISCUSSION FOR Mr. Springer asked for introductions and then in turn introduced IMPROVEMENTS FOR '77the Fair Board and Management. COUNTY FAIR

Some topics of discussion included: isolation of the armory, and large rocks in the pathway, lack of care in handling display tables, need for direction signs, and general lack of information. Fair Board and Management made several points regarding the questions. It is felt that a speaker could be put on a pole facing toward the armory, display tables had personally been removed by Mr. Mohr and each was loaded on a trailer and put away for the season, minutes are sent to the 4-H agents after each meeting and a schedule of events sheet is located at the end of the fair entrance runway. Future minutes will be sent to the president of the 4-H leaders.

PREMIUMS 4-H

4-H persons questioned value of small checks. Board suggested that perhaps if not enough points to accumulate a certain dollar amount no check should be issued. Flory informed the Board that it is illegal to sign premium checks if one is a government employee. Other alternatives could be the Fair Board signing the prepared checks. Flory also asked if the Fair could mail the 4-H'ers the County Fair premium lists. Problems are occurring with mailing privileges. Mailing and printing costs would be prohibitive if the entire book had to be mailed. Jossy stated that in the event the extension service did not feel the 4-H premium book was worthy of using the extension service free mailing privilege he would like to discuss the matter with the area or state director.

JUDGES

Discussion was held on how a judge was selected by 4-H program. Particular concern was a livestock judge. Flory explained that a notice had been sent to 4-H leaders and they recommended the proposed judge. Springer voiced dissatisfaction because of problems occurring three years ago. Flory said he would not change the judge unless ordered to do so by the Fair Board.

JUDGES (CONTINUED) The Fair Board majority did not set a policy to that effect. Management asked Flory not to get a judge without the concurrence of the open class department head. Flory agreed not to in the future. 4-H agents thought that they must pay only certain amounts to judges because that is what the Fair Board recommends. Fair Board explained that 4-H was free to pay as 4-H deemed necessary. However, Fair Board is concerned that twice the amount of money was spent for 4-H judges as open class judges, thus cutting into the premium moneys available to the 4-H'ers. Fair Board met with 35 other county fairs in December, 1976, and the proposed fee is in line with the entire state. It appears 4-H is already paying in excess of proposed fee.

**PREMIUM FUNDS
AND BUDGET**

1976 4-H expenses sheets were passed out to all those present for review. A total of \$7,200 was budgeted for 4-H in 1976. Costs did not include the armory rental (\$600+) and \$80 per month heat bill currently being paid by the Fair Board for the 4-H building located on the fairgrounds. Also does not include payroll costs such as SAIF, and Social Security W-2 or payroll reporting for year end.

EXPO FUNDS

Norm Perkins demanded proof of what moneys were being held in the horse fund. Manager Jossy explained the original concept of an Expo Center and showed the year end (1976) Expo Fund bank statement. While not all the money has been donated by horse groups, it is the intention of the Fair Board to use the funds for horse facilities. Including all interest to December 31, 1976, the balance is \$9,682.37. The account is audited annually by Price-Waterhouse Company.

LATER MEETING DATE

At 9:35 p.m., Chairman Springer indicated that the Board had a lengthy agenda and that the time asked for by the 4-H Group had been exceeded by 35 minutes. The Group was invited back to a special meeting to be held February 9, 1977, 8:00 p.m., at the fair office.

**POULTRY-RABBIT
BUILDING**

Al Mohr presented a bid from Western Farmers for a 40' x 100' rabbit-poultry building. \$8,314.00 including engineering and meeting County approval but not City. Mohr was instructed to get bids from Carefree Walls and Beaver State. Jossy will call and get a bid on engineering costs to meet City requirements as well as public occupancy.

**PRIME LIVESTOCK
SALE FUNDS AND
PROJECT**

Springer brought funds (\$1,120.90) to be deposited in general account. It is hoped that the prime livestock profits can be used to install cement loading shutes with roller gates.

FAIR BOARD APPTS.

Ralph Holland has been reappointed to a three year term and Charles Colegrove to his first three year appointment.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CHAIRMAN MILLER

Springer and Boyer met with Chairman Ray Miller January 13 regarding Fair Board appointments and levy funds. Miller asked the Fair Board members to consider going on the November 1977 road levy tax. Springer suggested lobbying for the Fair levy during the 1977 County Fair.

WINE TASTING '77 FAIR

Mrs. Hesse asked for Board input regarding a wine tasting booth at the '77 fair. Board is in favor providing O.L.C.C requirements and insurance is adequate.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL

The following bills were read for board consideration and approval:

- 563 - Butcher's Bistro - \$12.50
- 564 - Jessie Weller - \$25.00
- 565 - Northwest Natural Gas Co. - \$137.45
- 566 - Portland General Electric Co. - \$335.77
- 567 - D & G's Answering Service - \$15.00
- 568 - Western Farmer's Assn. - \$41.90
- 569 - General Telephone Co. - \$46.36
- 570 - Public Employes Retirement System - \$416.15
- 571 - State of Oregon - \$79.00
- 572 - Internal Revenue Service - \$181.00
- 573 - Butcher's Bistro - \$13.50
- 574 - State Accident Insurance Fund - \$141.81

MOTION. MOVED BY JERRY BOYER, SECONDED BY RALPH HOLLAND TO ALLOW THE BILL AS READ. MOTION CARRIED.

JANUARY 5 MINUTES

MOTION. MOVED BY JOE EVERS, SECONDED BY JERRY BOYER TO ACCEPT THE JANUARY 5, 1977, MINUTES AS PRINTED AND MAILED. MOTION CARRIED.

PREMIUM BOOK BID

Mrs. Hesse has screened premium book bids and the most satisfactory bid is from the Hillsboro Argus. Cost of publishing the open class, 4-H and FFA information will be \$1,985.00 if clean, concise copy will be continued by Mrs. Hesse. Ad sales to date are \$2,000.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS
CHAIRMAN

NOMINATION BY RALPH HOLLAND, SECONDED BY JERRY BOYER THAT JOE EVERS BE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND MOVED THAT A UNANIMOUS BALLOT BE CAST BY THE SECRETARY. MOTION CARRIED.

VICE-CHAIRMAN

NOMINATION BY RALPH HOLLAND, SECONDED BY CHUCK COLEGROVE THAT JERRY BOYER BE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND THAT A UNANIMOUS BALLOT BE CAST BY THE SECRETARY. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER

NOMINATION BY RALPH HOLLAND, SECONDED BY CHUCK COLEGROVE THAT JIM SPRINGER BE TREASURER OF THE BOARD AND UNANIMOUS BALLOT BE CAST BY THE SECRETARY. MOTION CARRIED.

MANNING TICKET BOOTHS
DURING THE 4-H HORSE
FAIR

Joe Evers suggested that the Fair Board insist that parents purchase daily or season passes to the fair while attending the horse fair. Tickets would be valid during the County

MANNING TICKET BOOTHS
(CONTINUED)

Fair. Boyer offered to visit with some of the 4-H horse persons. Evers point is that the 4-H horse project share in the premium money and facilities but do not support the Fair itself. Evers suggested that a possible donation instead of admission could also be considered. Fair Board majority did not support the concept at this time.

4-H'ERS TO EXHIBIT
IN OPEN CLASS

Evers suggested allowing 4-H'ers with registered animals to pay entry fee and participate in the Open Class Dairy Division of the County Fair. He stated that it would round the open class show out. Other Board members did not want to mix non-professional against professionals and eliminate those who did not have registered animals. Evers felt if the horse division was allowing it, so should the dairy. Majority of the Board was not in favor.

BOARD MEETINGS
FEBRUARY 2, 9, & 16

Next Regular Board Meeting will be held February 2. Special 4-H meeting February 9 and budget work session meeting and necessary business February 16.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Adeline Hesse, Office Manager
Washington County Fair

Washington County Fair Board
Agenda

January 19, 1977
8:00 p.m.

1. Guests -
 - a. 8:00 - 9:00 - Al Flory & Caroline Cannon, 4-H Extension Agents, and 4-H Executive Council wish to discuss all facets of the fair program
 - b. 9:00 - Al Mohr - update on proposed rabbit-poultry building
2. Update from Chairman Springer on meeting with Commissioners regarding Board appointments
3. Possibility of having wine tasting booth at 1977 fair
4. Bills for approval
5. January 5 board minutes for approval

If you will be late or unable to attend the meeting, please notify the office at 648-1416 or 628-1610.