

**MINUTES FROM FAIR BOARD MEETING  
JULY 1, 1992**

FAIR BOARD

John Thomas  
Rocky Williams  
Ken Leahy  
Marla Warren  
Kathy Christy

STAFF

Cal Wade  
Ron McAuley  
Patti Poe  
Sue Oxendine

GUESTS

Fred Scheller  
Eric Apalategui

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Wade reviewed the year's end budget. State racing funds are not in as of this date. Expenses were as projected six months ago except the pickup was bought nor has Jerry Draggoo finished the Master Plan update.

Total income counting cash carry forward is \$1,333,576.

**MOTION: MOVED BY KATHY CHRISTY, SECONDED BY ROCKY WILLIAMS, TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

**RODEO BOARD**

The arena fence was completed in time for the High School Rodeo Finals. The Finals were very successful.

**BOOSTERS**

The Boosters reported two slow and two busy days during the High School Rodeo. The Boosters who work all the events are becoming burned out as more and more events at the FairPlex are requesting food service. The Air Show was especially exhausting. Fair board members suggested talking about the problem of "Booster Burnout" and the difficulties of getting other volunteer groups to help out as an agenda item at the Fall work session.

**FAIRPLEX MARKETING**

Good year, good month, everything is great reported Poe. The off season income finished at a new high of \$111,242. This does not include Air Show revenue. The quality of occupancy is going up as well with more long term contracts.

**MAINTENANCE**

The underground cable and phone lines were completed in June. The Arts & Crafts building was painted and the Grandstand painting continued. The maintenance crew was kept busy with Air Show and PI. McAuley also reported the heat has made watering difficult.

**AIR SHOW**

Over 11,000 vehicles were parked in the three days. RV's were down although they accounted for \$6,300 of the total revenue of \$37,428. Wade would like to discuss during the Fall work session the pros and cons of continuing with the RV parking during the Air Show.

### **JUNIOR PI**

Murrey Fretz believes the show was successful. He was concerned over the parking situation on 28th Street. The City of Hillsboro had reserved the ball diamonds for the large softball tournament and Fretz reported problems with the officials of the tournament. Fencing may have to be installed on 28th Street to alleviate this the problems for future events.

Fred Scheller said he thought more publicity for the rodeo was needed.

Wade would like to invite Fretz to a Fall board meeting to discuss long range plans of the PI. Fretz is concerned with the building expansions and plans since the bond issue failed last year.

### **HAPPY DAYS**

The only problem reported was the inability to fill all the parking attendant and seller slots. Security will be hired to fill the time slots not taken by other groups.

Signs prohibiting unauthorized fireworks on the FairPlex grounds have been made. Wade would like the fair board to approve of the signs since they say "by order of the fair board".

**MOTION: MOVED BY MARLA WARREN, SECONDED BY KATHY CHRISTY, TO PASS AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING UNAUTHORIZED FIREWORKS ON THE GROUNDS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

Jack Rosenberg will be Master of Ceremonies at the amphitheater dedication. Ken Leahy will work with Rosenberg and Wade on the wording.

### **FAIR**

Plans for the fair are on schedule. More events, entertainers, and special classes are being offered this year. Three stages will be in continuous use as well as a number of grounds acts. The Armory will be utilized for an environmental display area.

The Volunteer Appreciation picnic is July 12 at 1:00 p.m.

Warren asked if the new warmup arena has been constructed by the Rodeo Board. Williams replied that the area built by the Rodeo Board would not be adequate for the Miniature Horses and 4-H exhibitors. Warren, Oxendine, and McAuley will look at another site following the meeting.

### **VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION AWARDS**

Nominees for the individual award were Jeanne Leason by Kathy Christy, and Fred Scheller by Rocky Williams.

Fred Scheller was selected to receive the individual honor. The board decided to award the business award to Oregon Garden Products and the community award to the Washington County Posse.

The Argus will receive the Chairman's Award.

#### **CHAMBER FORUM**

Forums are scheduled for July 21 and 31. The forum on the 31st will be held at the Fair.

#### **BEER SECURITY**

Williams asked what controls the fair had on the beer. Wade responded that the concessionaire hires security to do ID checks and watches, along with the fair's security, to make sure that under aged individuals are not handed beer by their friends and relatives who can legally purchase. Security also makes certain that no one who is visibly intoxicated is allowed to buy more beer or wine. Most of the problems come from people bringing in small concealed bottles of hard liquor.

#### **WORKMAN'S COMP**

A situation exists with a Rodeo Board member who was injured during the rodeo last year, collects workman's comp for the injury, and still volunteers for work parties in the arena.

**MOTION: MOVED BY MARLA WARREN, SECONDED BY ROCKY WILLIAMS, TO AUTHORIZE WADE TO WRITE LYNN FEINHAUER AND INFORM HIM HE CAN NOT WORK AT THE FAIRPLEX UNTIL HE RECEIVES A DOCTOR'S RELEASE TO WORK. UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

#### **HANDICAPPED RODEO**

Some parents of handicapped children have complained that they have not been able to get their kids involved in the rodeo. Williams explained that no child is turned away. Problems sometimes arise when the siblings also want to take part and there are not enough prizes to go around for everyone. Marlene Spadt is resolving the issue.

**MOTION: MOVED BY MARLA WARREN, SECONDED BY KATHY CHRISTY, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. PASSED.**

The next regularly scheduled Fair Board meeting will be September 3.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Oxendine  
Secretary