

**FAIR BOARD MINUTES
JUNE 2, 1993**

FAIR BOARD

John Thomas
Marla Warren
George Otten
Dave Lintz

STAFF

Cal Wade
Ron McAuley
Patti Poe
Sue Oxendine

GUESTS

Jeanne Leeson
Eric Apalategui
Jerry Draggoo

CONSENT AGENDA

Wade reported that the budget looks good. Income is higher and expenses lower than originally thought. Hotel/motel tax revenue is \$330,856 which is \$20,000 more than the projected \$310,000.

MOTION: MOVED BY DAVE LINTZ, SECONDED BY MARLA WARREN, TO PASS THE CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

RODEO BOARD

Due to the Memorial Day Holiday the board meeting was rescheduled to June 7.

BOOSTERS

Leeson reported the boosters considering expansion their food service. Eight new members, including some younger ones, have joined bringing the total membership to 60. Tonight they are going to discuss the Chuckwagon remodeling and what they can do to help out with the expenses.

MARKETING

Poe reported the Creative Preschool has decided not to lease the floral building. They will be going to Ladd Acres School.

Two new events sponsored by the Galford Group are coming to the FairPlex. Both are cycling events and one will take place in June and the other in October of 1993.

Otten asked if the preschool pulled out based on something the fair board did or did not do. Poe feels that the preschool wanted an immediate decision from the board. She had told the preschool that the board would need time to study the proposal to reach a decision and did not feel thirty days was unreasonable. Wade stated that the only reason the issue was presented to the board was that it was a policy decision. If at a future date another preschool approaches the FairPlex the decision can be made at staff level since the fair board has established the policy.

MAINTENANCE

McAuley reported the May projects included burying phone lines, removing overhead lines between Friendship Square and the horse barns, painting the inside of the floral building and remodeling the Chuckwagon. The hood was installed today and the fire system is still waiting to be installed. New power vaults behind the Chuckwagon and the floral building are in.

GARDNER/BEEDON

The lease is in the hands of Gardner. Beedon has signed it. Mike Tharp and Wade believe the deadline to finalize the lease is June 30 instead of June 1.

AIR SHOW

The FairPlex will park cars all three days. The busy days will be Saturday and Sunday, July 17 & 18. The FairPlex and fair will have a booth at the Air Show. Oxendine is working on booth staffing. The Air Show Chamber Forum luncheon will be in the Main Exhibit Building on July 15.

FAIR

Oxendine reported that all the inside commercial booths are sold. A few outside booths remain. The last major grounds act, The Paul Bunyan Lumberjack Show, was booked today. Livestock entries are beginning to arrive. Garden club members planted flowers at the gazebo, totem pole, and floral building entrance.

Warren reported that Miss Rodeo Oregon Coronation Dance will be from 10 p.m. to midnight on Saturday, July 31 in the arena.

BINGO

This Friday, June 4, will be the first night owl session at Sunset Bingo. Poe is meeting with the Health Department regarding concessions when bingo is started in the Arts & Crafts Building in the fall.

Lintz had some questions and concerns regarding the handling of the money. Wade explained how the money would be deposited.

The revenue from bingo is not reflected in the budget. Any profits will be put back into the FairPlex bingo facility.

MASTER PLAN

New issues have risen from the meeting May 25 with the County Commissioners. These include the question or possibility of locating historical buildings on the grounds or perhaps along 34th Street. To move them into the complex would require major revisions to the Master Plan Draggoo stated.

Lintz and Otten expressed the need to address the entrance area from the proposed light rail station to the FairPlex. Lintz believes the commissioners want this issue resolved before the Master Plan is approved for extension.

Draggoo recommended not creating another entrance into the livestock area. He would rather see some means of transporting the people the extra 300 yards to the main gate.

The consensus was that the people will not walk; a continuous way to move them from the light rail station to the main gate will be required.

Wade said to go ahead and show the station, entrances, and park-

ing areas. The Master Plan can always be adjusted in the future when the light rail station is established and Tri Met plans are confirmed.

Lintz feels the fair board should put away the preconceived ideas and show the potential impact of the light rail. The Tri Met impact study should be thoroughly reviewed before a decision can be reached.

Warren stated the entry should be shown - at least the fair board would be addressing the issue. She agreed with Wade that the plan could be changed later if needed. The important thing is to renew or extend the present Master Plan.

According to Wade Tri Met is projecting a heavy use at the FairPlex station. It will be a park and ride station and during fair a large percentage of the visitors will probably travel by light rail.

Lintz wants to understand and give some consideration as to how people are moved to and from the station and how they will enter the FairPlex. He suggested letting the matter rest until the impact study could be reviewed.

MOTION: MOVED BY DAVID LINTZ, SECONDED BY MARLA WARREN, TO TABLE THE MASTER PLAN UNTIL AFTER THE FAIR SO THAT MORE INFORMATION CAN BE GATHERED INCLUDING INTERIM PLANNING RULES SET BY WASHINGTON COUNTY AND TRI MET INTERIM STUDIES. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

WHITAKER

The State made a mistake in telling Whitaker that the FairPlex had failed to re file. The State had cashed the FairPlex check and filed the name but had failed to key it into the computer. Whitaker has been sent a letter by the State telling him of the error and requesting him to select another name for his company.

He has since requested to see the check sent to the State and the checks immediately preceding and following. Wade has turned the matter over to County Counsel.

JENSEN CASE

Depositions have been given by Wade, Jensen, Horner, and Spieschert. Subpoenaed individuals will be giving depositions June 29.

The workman's compensation claim has been dropped.

MOTION: MOVED BY GEORGE OTTEN, SECONDED BY MARLA WARREN, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6 PM.

The next regularly scheduled fair board meeting will be July 7 at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Oxendine
Secretary

**NOTES FROM MEETING WITH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MAY 25, 1993**

FAIR BOARD

Ken Leahy
Dave Lintz
George Otten
John Thomas

STAFF

Cal Wade
Sue Oxendine

GUESTS

Commissioner Hays
Commissioner Peters
Commissioner Christy
Jerry Draggoo

The commissioners were given a walk around tour of the FairPlex in order for them to become familiar with existing facilities and future plans in relation to the Master Plan.

After the tour the commissioners, staff, and fair board discussed the Master Plan. Draggoo stated that his firm is recommending in a few years that the FairPlex try to pass a bond measure to finance the Main Pavilion. Revenue earned from the rental of the Main Pavilion could possibly finance the remaining buildings in the Master Plan. At issue is the size of the Main Pavilion. Staff and board members will need to decide this at some time.

Commissioners Hays and Peters raised the issue of light rail and how it would affect the FairPlex. They are concerned with the aesthetics of the station and entrance to the FairPlex. Both should be a welcoming spot for visitors. Peters suggested studying the Light Rail Impact Study 418 to gather information and insight into how the station might influence the Master Plan. The suggestion was also made that a representative from Tri Met should be invited to a Fair Board meeting to discuss light rail.

Peters suggested utilizing historical buildings as an architectural theme and also utilizing a color theme in the FairPlex access area from the proposed light rail station.

June 11 a final decision will be made on the alignment of the light rail. The light rail should reach 185th by September of 1997 and be extended to Hillsboro by July 1998.

The Fair Board will formally accept or make changes to the Master Plan and take those to the Board of County Commissioners for approval and extension of the current Master Plan. Hays asked that the light rail station be addressed in the Master Plan update. Both boards agreed that the public should be made aware of and become familiar with the Master Plan.