MINUTES

Washington County Fair Board

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Washington County Fair Board held May 3, 1982, in the Fairgrounds Office beginning at 4:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Fair Board

Staff

Guests

Charles Colegrove John Love

Adeline Hesse

B J Clausen, Chairman, Rodeo

Homer Speer

Valerie Bentley Russell Dyche Committee Noel Grossman

Mike Swan

Margaret Sprecher, absent

MOTOCROSS

Hesse briefed Board members about a request received in June 1981 for use of the fairgrounds for a bicycle motocross track. The City of Hillsboro Parks & Recreation Commission was concerned at that time with access, restrooms, policing, unloading, concessions and parking. The Fair Board decided in June 1981 not to allow a BMX track on the fairgrounds. Noel Grossman is a parent involved with bicycle motocross events while the individual who previously requested a track sold bike parts.

CONSENT AGENDA MOTION: MOVED BY HOMER SPEER, SECONDED BY MIKE SWAN TO APPROVE THE BILLS AS SUBMITTED, THE MARCH 1982 FINANCIAL RECAP, AND THE APRIL 7, 1982, BOARD MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED. (Bills listed on page 2.)

CLOVERLEAF UNITY DING The Board has received the bill for the first progress payment for the Cloverleaf Community Building. The construction shack has been moved on to the fairgrounds and excavating should be beginning soon. Suomi Construction has ordered the steel building frame.

The Hillsboro Rotary is considering doing one major project in the community and is contemplating the fairgrounds as the beneficiary.

DONATION

The Hillsboro Coffee Club donated \$1,000 to the fairgrounds. The donation will be used to purchase a 150 watt amplifier for the fairgrounds public address system and several thermo coffee servers. Two years ago the Hillsboro Coffee Club donated \$1,000 toward Friendship Square. Hesse will write a thank you letter to the club.

INSURANCE

Marge Post, Director of Finance & Administration, responded to the Board's letter concerning fire insurance for the fairgrounds. The Cloverleaf Community Building is now covered by fire insurance.

4-H

The Board reviewed a thank you letter from the 4-H Leaders Association to fund raiser participants. Colegrove did attend the awards banquet and thanked the 4-Hers for their contribution to furnishing the Cloverleaf Community Building. The 4-H Leaders Association will purchase 36 tables, 296 chairs, and chair and table dollies for approximately \$6,500.

4-Her Robert "Bud" Heesacker won the grand prize by selling 690 candy bars. Hesse will write a thank you to Bud Heesacker and to each committee member for their hard work on the fund raising project.

MOTION: MOVED BY MIKE SWAN, SECONDED BY HOMER SPEER TO APPROVE DOUG MARSHALL TO REMOVE THE HAY FROM THE VACANT PROPERTY BEHIND THE GRANDSTAND BY JUNE 20 WITH FIVE TON TO BE GIVEN TO THE RODEO COMMITTEE FOR THE RODEO STOCK. MOTION CARRIED.

The Board discussed at length the pros and cons of using "big" Washington RTISING County corporations to finance a media campaign for the 1982 Washington County Fair & Rodeo. The Board decided there would not be ample time to contact the corporate executives in a manner that would make the project a success.

MOTION: MOVED BY HOMER SPEER, SECONDED BY MIKE SWAN NOT TO ADOPT THE PRO-POSAL FOR A LOCAL CORPORATION-FINANCED MEDIA CAMPAIGN FOR THE 1982 FAIR. MOTION CARRIED.

ZONE CHANGE The Board reviewed the Zone Change Application for 8.83 acres of fairgrounds property for a Fairgrounds Commercial Zone, C-F, prepared by Mary Lou Phinney, Washington County Development Review Planner. Hesse has made a few minor changes in the application. The City of Hillsboro has reviewed the application. Ms. Phinney will be working with the Fair Board through the zone change process. The Zone Change Application will now be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for approval.

BOOSTERS

The Fairgrounds Boosters will be meeting tonight after the Fair Board meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Grandstand Concession. Hesse urged Board members to attend the meeting. The Boosters had a work party Saturday, May 1.

JAYCEES

The Hillsboro Jaycees have agreed to handle the beer concession during the grandstand events at the 1982 fair with \$50 per keg to go to the Fair Board. The Board agreed to allow the Jaycees one extra day use for Happy Days. The carnival will also run on July 5 because the parade is scheduled for the 5th.

SMALL CLAIMS Hesse and Colegrove attended small claims court on April 28. The Fair Board won a judgment against Eldon Carroll, mechanical bull operator during the 1981 fair. The court will put a garnishment on Carroll's income or personal property.

POLICY

The Board reviewed a draft policy statement on requests for reduced or waived fees for use of fairgrounds or equipment. Speer suggested adding discretion of Fairgrounds Director in the long-range interests of the fairgrounds.

MOTION: MOVED BY MIKE SWAN, SECONDED BY HOMER SPEER TO ADOPT THE DRAFTED POLICY STATEMENT ON REQUESTS FOR REDUCED OR WAIVED FEES FOR USE OF FAIRGROUNDS OR EQUIPMENT. MOTION CARRIED.

RODEO

Rodeo Committee Chairman B J Clausen presented to the Board revised Bylaws for the Rodeo Committee. Several years ago the Committee was doing several large capital improvement projects and elected not to adhere to the Bylaws because they needed a larger number of people to complete the projects. Now the Committee is interested in going back to a revised set of Bylaws with a nine member Board of Directors. All other members would be associate members with a voice but no vote. With several minor changes the Fair Board approved the new Rodeo Committee Bylaws.

The Rodeo Committee is interested in having a $6\frac{1}{2}$ chute during the fair where local kids ride steers during the rodeo. The event would cost \$600 extra for stock. Hesse will check with the county concerning insurance and with Clackamas County Fair on their policy on the $6\frac{1}{2}$ chute. The entry fees will not cover the cost of the stock for event. Clausen will check into a better deal for stock for the event.

The Auction Committee will be sending their check in soon and the Fair Board will issue them a check. This is for accounting purposes only. The Auction Committee will be meeting May 25, 7:30 p.m. in the P.G.E. Building.

SIGNS

Jerry Heideman, neighbor to the fairgrounds, has trouble with motorcycles trespassing on the south portion of the fairgrounds.

MOTION: MOVED BY MIKE SWAN, SECONDED BY HOMER SPEER TO AUTHORIZE POSTING A SIGN ON THE FAIRGROUNDS TO READ "NO UNAUTHORIZED PERSON, MOTORCYCLE, OR OTHER VEHICLES ARE PERMITTED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS PROPERTY -- BY ORDER OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR BOARD." MOTION CARRIED.

TREES

Swan's FFA Chapter will have Douglas Fir trees and manpower to plant the trees available. The Board has just planted 500 Douglas Fir and will keep Swan's offer in mind for the future.

BUDGET

Hesse read in the "Hillsboro Argus" that the fairgrounds has been totally eliminated from the county general fund budget. This was later confirmed on the telephone by Finance and Administration Assistant Pamela Bloomfield. The estimates received from the county for Hotel/Motel Tax revenue have not been accurate. Staff will prepare an accurate budget reflecting the 1981-82 actual revenue and new estimates for 1982-83 revenue, so the Fair Board can contact Budget Committee members and Commissioners with a true reflection of the fairgrounds financial position. Fair Board members will contact the Budget Committee and Commissioners before the Budget Hearing and will attend the Hearings on May 12 & 13.

Noel Grossman requested use of the southeast corner of fairgrounds property for a bicycle motocross track. He is involved with his children in BMX racing and feels there is a need for a racing facility in this area. The American Bicycle Association would sanction the track and provide 24 hours 7 days a week insurance coverage and all racers would have coverage upon joining the ABA, which is required in order to race.

Grossman has access to the equipment needed to build the track; and when the track is terminated, Grossman will smooth out the land. The parking would be 100 to 150 years away. Grossman would coordinate events with the Hillsboro City Parks Department. The Fair Board could lease the grounds for one year not to bind future Fair Board's

MOTION: MOVED BY HOMER SPEER, SECONDED BY JOHN LOVE TO APPROVE THE CONCEPT OF A BICYCLE MOTOCROSS TRACK ORGANIZED AS A NON-PROFIT SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY PENDING FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH THE HILLSBORD PARKS DEPARTMENT REGARDING ACCESS, SCHEDULING AND LIABILITY AND THE COUNTY REGARDING INSURANCE FOR THE TRACK. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Bentley