

**FAIR BOARD MEETING**  
**August 4, 2022**  
**Meeting Room 2, 7:30 a.m.**

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| Speer   | Moulton | Voorhees | Cunningham | Webber  | Crofoot |
| Present | Present | Present  | Present    | Present | Present |
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Others Present:

Corey Buller – Fair Manager, Lane Events Center Manager

Becky Kirsch – Office Assistant, Lane Events Center

**1. ITEMS FROM THE COMMUNITY:**

None

**2. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a) A plaque was given to Randy Thwing’s family in honor of his contribution to the Fair Board. They were very appreciative. The service will be Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>.
- b) A plaque was given to Dottie Chase in honor of her many years of involvement with the Lane County Fair. Dottie was very appreciative and sent a nice letter to the Fair Board.

ACTION/DIRECTION:

None.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 7, 2022**

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| <b>MOTION: Sid Voorhees</b> |             | <b>COMMENTS:</b> Sid Voorhees moved to approve the June 7, 2022 minutes as written. Rene’ Speer seconds. No discussion. All in favor. |
| <b>SECOND: Rene’ Speers</b> |             |   |
| <b>VOTE</b>                 |             |   |
| <b>Name</b>                 | <b>Vote</b> |   |
| Wendee Crofoot              | Yes         |   |
| Richard Cunningham          | Yes         |   |
| Debra Moulton               | Yes         |   |
| René Speer                  | Yes         |   |
| Sid Voorhees                | Yes         |   |
| Bruce Webber                | Yes         |   |
| Laurie Trieger              | Yes         |   |

**4. FAIR REVIEW:**

Staff gave updates about how pleased they are at how well the Fair went this year. Lots of positive feedback. Staff budgeted about 85% of revenues and believes we will beat it. Staff feel like we may beat the 2019 numbers. Some food vendors beat their 2021 numbers. 4-H was happy and said things went well. The livestock auction is rumored to have made over \$680,000.

A new stage was set up in the Willamette Bar with music and received a lot of positive comments. There were great comments regarding the Main Stage. It was a very lucrative Fair for food vendors. Russell Dickerson gave great feedback about the safety of our Fair. Having both the ICP (Incident Command Post) and SAR (Search and Rescue) at the Fair was successful. Installing video cameras at the gates was good and there is discussion of having video in the parking lots as well. It was mentioned that the t-shirt Security need to have more identifiable uniforms in the future as they weren’t standing out like they should. Hiring a new Security company was also mentioned.

Staff and Fair Board members discussed/debriefed some of the feedback from Fair Patrons and things that they noticed as well as incidents that were reported. Further discussions around individual concerns are planned as appropriate when we get ready to contract or select providers in the future.

5. **PROJECTS UPDATE:**

Staff discussed how we were successful in receiving the \$277,776 grant for Wheeler restrooms ADA improvements. There will be a meeting next week to go over the contract with the State so hopefully more information will be available after that meeting. A backup project is the bridges at E and F Gates. They need updating and construction to widen or repair them for security and safety. Staff would like to move it up to being more of a priority, all Fair Board members agreed. There is no news on the Stadium. We may see reports by the end of August/September.

6. **MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Motion to adjourn

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| <b>MOTION: Sid Voorhees</b>       |             | <b>COMMENTS:</b> Sid Voorhees motions to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 am. Richard Cunningham seconds. No discussion. All in favor. |
| <b>SECOND: Richard Cunningham</b> |             |   |
| <b>VOTE</b>                       |             |   |
| <b>Name</b>                       | <b>Vote</b> |   |
| Wendee Crofoot                    | Yes         |   |
| Richard Cunningham                | Yes         |   |
| Debra Moulton                     | Yes         |   |
| René Speer                        | Yes         |   |
| Sid Voorhees                      | Yes         |   |
| Bruce Webber                      | Yes         |   |
| Laurie Trieger                    | Absent      |   |

Meeting adjourned.

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René Speer, President

**MINUTES ARE DRAFT AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE UNTIL APPROVED BY THE FAIR BOARD AT THE NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING.**