

M I N U T E S
Washington County Fair Board

Minutes of a meeting of the Washington County Fair Board held Saturday, August 15, 1981, during the County Fair beginning at 10:05 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Fair Board

Jerry Boyer Agnes DeLashmutt
Charles Colegrove Mike Swan

Director & Staff

Adeline Hesse
Valerie Bentley

FAIR

The 1981 Fair has had extremely friendly spirit. All groups have worked well together.

The Board discussed the results through Friday of the new admission program; namely, paying gate admission only and no extra charge for grandstand entertainment. The fair has grown a good deal during the last five years, but the ten years before that were stagnant. The fair may again be plateauing. The Board recognizes the need to draw more participation from the east county area. Name entertainment would help draw that population to the fair.

MOTION: MOVED BY CHARLES COLEGROVE, SECONDED BY AGNES DELASHMUTT TO AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES NOT TO EXCEED \$200 FOR AN APPRECIATION DINNER FOR FAIR EMPLOYEES AND BOARD MEMBERS. MOTION CARRIED.

The dinner will be held Friday, August 21. (Dinner was later cancelled because of schedule conflicts.)

SPECIAL
BLEMS

The extreme heat during the 4-H Horse Fair caused many cases of heat exhaustion. The ambulance has made a couple of runs to the hospital, but no serious injuries have been reported.

YOUTH
AUCTION

Yesterday's youth livestock auction was extremely successful. Total sales were \$65,000 and all animals were sold.

MISC.

Hesse reported Governor Atiyeh will be visiting the fair today at 3 p.m.

The rodeo has been well attended the first two nights.

D. DERBY

Hesse will ask the Boosters if they would be interested in running the concession during the September 5 destruction derby. If the Boosters are not interested, Hesse will check with Shiela Welton of the 4-H Chuckwagon. Having the derby so soon after the fair will be draining for the Board and staff families and having the Boosters handle the concession will be a great help. It will also give the Boosters a chance to make extra revenue.

MEETING

The next regular Fair Board meeting will be held Wednesday, September 9, 1981, in the Fairgrounds office beginning at 4:30 p.m.

FREE DAY

KYTE Radio has rented the Fairgrounds for September 13 to hold "Free Day In The Country." Fifteen concession stands will be contracted with a percentage of net to go to the Boosters. Now there are piles of dirt where the concessions will be located. Hesse suggested hiring Dale Dyche to move the dirt.

MOTION: MOVED BY MIKE SWAN, SECONDED BY AGNES DELASHMUTT TO HIRE DALE DYCHE TO MOVE THE DIRT LOCATED NORTH OF THE MAIN ARENA. MOTION CARRIED.

CARNIVAL Colegrove is disappointed with the midway personnels' dress. The Davis' had agreed all personnel would be wearing a "Davis Amusement" t-shirt and would also be clean in appearance. It appears the workers are not following instructions. A Board member will talk with the Davis' about following the dress code.

The Board will meet with the carnival owners later today to discuss coming back to the 1982 fair. The carnival gate is up from 1980.

ELECTRICAL MOTION: MOVED BY CHARLES COLEGROVE, SECONDED BY MIKE SWAN TO APPROVE OFF-SETTING JAY BENTLEY'S EXPENSES FOR ELECTRICAL WORK PERFORMED DURING THE FAIR WITH \$300. MOTION CARRIED.

FAIR DATES The Board will decide on the 1982 fair dates at their regular meeting September 9.

MAINTENANCE Hesse reviewed the maintenance situation for the coming year. Hopefully, Maintenance Supervisor Russ Dyché will be able to move on to the fairgrounds.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Bentley