

# Lincoln County Fair Board Minutes

December 10, 2015 – 10:00 a.m.  
225 West Olive St, Room 108  
Newport, Oregon

## 1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Frank Geltner called the meeting of the Lincoln County Fair Board to order at 10:00 a.m. Bill Hall, Jim Buisman and County Counsel Wayne Belmont were present. Casey Miller took minutes.

## 2. Approval of Minutes

No minutes were presented.

- ## 3. Staff Updates.
- Michele Osterhoudt of OSU Extension provided a progress report of Lincoln County Fair event planning and that the next Fair is scheduled to take place August 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>. Counsel Belmont said the County has a Drug Free Workplace Police that applies to all County properties. As a result, marijuana product would not be allowed on the Fairgrounds. Chair Geltner invited Emily DeHuff address the Board. Geltner mentioned that he attended a FOLCAS board meeting and wanted to address the “what if” conversation in regard to the Pick of the Litter Thrift Store. DeHuff said she felt that all parties had well aligned interests. She said she was willing to participate with Lincoln County in possibly keeping the thrift store on the property.

- ## 4. Report on Fair Improvements.
- Jim Buisman provided details of a recapitalization “concept” that keeps the Fairgrounds functional but that also provides carry over infrastructure improvements of the Fairgrounds until new a new facility is constructed. Buisman said his proposal is predicated by the recommendations of the Don Mann report and these improvements would allow the fairgrounds to be functional for a 10 to 15 year interim. The improvements included resolving property line issues, adding four inch water line along a fence line, adding ADA accessible bathrooms, demolishing the exhibit hall kitchen, replacing the heaters in the exhibit hall, replacing outdoor lighting with LED systems, and rewiring the entire sites electrical infrastructure. Chair Geltner asked if any of the improvements mention by Jim Buisman could be completed before the next County Fair. Buisman said yes but was not prepared to determine which particular improvements could be executed. Buisman noted that if the property boundary line issues could be resolved by March he would have a better idea. Bill Hall motioned that the Fair Board endorses the recapitalization concept presented by Jim Busman and that the County Commissioners also be asked to endorse the concept. Buisman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Chair Gelter asked that possible recommendations be made about geo tech and wind studies at the December 30<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- ## 5. Rentals.
- Amy Howard, Lincoln County’s Property Manager provided the Fair Board with research regarding rental practices and policies of other counties and security services. As a result, she felt the County should consider stricter guidelines. Bill Hall moved that the Fair Board declare a hiatus on new private fairground rentals while honoring any current commitments in place until a new rental policy is vetted. At which point the Fair Board

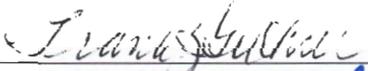
would consider new private rentals. Jim Buisman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Amy Howard declared that Loyalty Days was requesting use of the Fairgrounds and a rate reduction. Jim Buisman motioned to empower staff to work out the details and an agreement with Loyalty Days. Bill Hall seconded the motion. Chair Geltner added that the rental fee within the range \$1,000 and \$1,500 be required. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

**6. Adjournment**

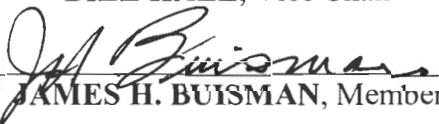
The next meeting of the Lincoln County Fair Board will be Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 108 of the Lincoln County Courthouse.

DATED this 19th day of May, 2016.

**LINCOLN COUNTY FAIR BOARD**

  
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**FRANK GELTNER, Chair**

  
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**BILL HALL, Vice Chair**

  
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**JAMES H. BUISMAN, Member**