FAIR BOARD MEETING

June 3 2021,

Meeting Room #2, 7:30 a.m.

| Thwing | Speer | Moulton | Voorhees | Cunningham |
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| Present | Present | Present | Present | Present |
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Others Present:

Corey Buller - Fair Manager, Lane Events Center Division Manager

Rachel Bivens - Marketing Manager/Assistant Fair Manager, Lane Events Center

Dan Hurley - Lane County Public Works Director

Laurie Trieger - Lane County Commissioner (via phone)

Elizabeth Gangwer – 4-H Education Program Assistant

1. <u>ITEMS FROM THE COMMUNITY:</u>

None.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS::

Corey Buller may be out in July but Rachel Bivens will be here and run the meeting.

ACTION/DIRECTION:

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 1, 2021

| MOTION: René Speer | | COMMENTS : René Speer moved to approve the | |
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| SECOND: Debra Moulton | | April 2, 1021 minutes as written. Debra Moulton | |
| VOTE | | seconds. All in favor. | |
| Name | Vote | | |
| Randy Thwing | Yes | | |
| Richard Cunningham | Yes | | |
| Debra Moulton | Yes | | |
| René Speer | Yes | | |
| Sid Voorhees | Yes | | |
| Commissioner Trieger | Yes | | |

4. GOVERNOR'S GUIDELINE UPDATE

Staff reported that the guidelines continue to change however the change in Mask guidance, decreasing number of cases and lowering of risk levels are what led the staff to decide to officially announce the Fair on May 25th. At this time the county is almost at the 65% threshold which would move us permanently into the low risk category. Lane County will move to moderate risk this Friday the 4th and hopefully on track to be in low risk as of Friday the 11th of June but we will have to wait and see. State vaccine rates are at 66% as of now and need to be at 70% for the removal of most risk sector guidelines (per the Governor). Discussion in the event industry is that there is a possible change at the end of the month releasing all guidelines but this is only speculation.

ACTION/DIRECTION:

Staff will continue to update the Board as guidelines changes impact the Fair.

5. FAIR UPDATE:

Staff gave a brief update on the status of all areas of the Fair.

ACTION/DIRECTION:

None

6. 4-H/FFA UPDATE:

Elizabeth Gangwer provided an update stating that 4-H is planning on a full Fair; Sunday they are planning on farm Olympics and awards. They are finalizing the barn layout in the coming weeks as entries close this Friday the 4th. Many of their clubs have struggled to meet in person based on the guidelines that have been in place but recent changes will allow for more in person meetings which will help the clubs be ready for the Fair.

ACTION/DIRECTION:

None

7. BUILDING LAYOUT UPDATE:

Staff discussed changes to the Fair layout including vendors moving outside and the Performance Hall will be used for the Senior Social on Thursday; Toddler Zone will be moved from Meeting Room 1 to 4 to be closer to the Exhibit hall which will remain as creative exhibits; Atrium will still be used for 4-H creatives and Authors & Artisans; Expo Halls will all be 4-H/FFA animals, Horse stalls will house only the open Horse entries and no other animals; Wheeler Pavilion will still hold Land Products and Granges.

ACTION/DIRECTION:

None

8. <u>VACCINATION CLINIC:</u>

Commissioner Trieger brought the idea of having a vaccine clinic to the Fair Board for consideration. Discussion surrounding logistics and some concerns occurred but in general the Board was supportive. No direct action or decision was made. Debra Moulton suggested either instead or of in addition to the clinic that Lane County Public Health have an information booth at the Fair. Staff acknowledged that is feasible.

ACTION/DIRECTION:

Commissioner Trieger will reach out to the County Administrator and COVID Incident Commander and include staff for further discussion and potential action.

9. OTHER:

a. Master Plan: Staff informed the Board that LEC will be moving ahead with an RFP to secure a Master Plan consultant. The goal is to publish the RFP before Fair with close happening after Fair for review and selection.

ACTION/DIRECTION:

Staff will inform Board when participation and input is needed.

- b. COVID outbreak: Richard Cunningham posed the question of what happens if there is an outbreak of COVID. Commissioner Trieger provided information on the vaccination and hospitalization rates and how the risk levels are determined based on that information. With vaccination rates increasing every day, the likelihood of an outbreak is less and less.
- c. Next meeting: July 1, 2021. Staff will provide final update on fair, information for Board on dates and times as well as finalize Fair Board award judging schedule.

10. MOTION TO ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn at 8:20 am.

| MOTION: Richard Cunningham | | COMMENTS: Richard Cunningham | |
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| SECOND: Randy Thw | ring | motions to adjourn the meeting. Randy | |
| VOTE | | Thwing seconds. No discussion. All in favor. | |
| Name | Vote | | |
| Randy Thwing | Yes | | |
| Richard Cunningham | Yes | | |
| Debra Moulton | Yes | | |
| René Speer | Yes | | |
| Sid Voorhees | Yes | | |
| Commissioner Trieger | | | |

| Meeting adjourned. | |
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| Sid Voorhees, President | |