



Minutes of the Oregon State Fair Council Regular Meeting

February 19, 2015

Oregon State Fair & Exposition Center – Floral Building

Audio Recorded: Yes

I. **Call to Order:** The meeting convened at 1:02 p.m. with Chair Gene Derfler presiding.

II. **Roll Call:** The attendance, both in person and by phone, was recorded as shown below:

Present:

Gene Derfler, Chair
Craig Smith, Vice Chair
Loyal Burns, Council Member
Leah Perkins-Hagele, Council Member
Jon Chandler, Council Member
George Jennings, Council Member
Kerry Tymchuk, Council Member
Mike Paluszak, CEO

Non-Present:

Vicki Berger, Council Member
Kevin Cameron, Council Member
Austin McGuigan, Council Member
Anna Peterson, Council Member
Sen. Arnie Roblan, Advisory Council Member
Linda Norris, Advisory Council Member

III. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was made by all parties present.

IV. **Presentations:** None

V. **Public Comment on Agenda Items:** None

VI. **Approval of Minutes:** Chair Derfler asked if there were any changes or corrections to the minutes brought for approval. Hearing no objections, the Council Meeting Minutes of 1/22/15 were unanimously approved as presented.

VII. **Council Chair's Report:** None

VIII. **Committee Reports:** None

IX. **CEO's Report:** None

X. **Information Items:**

- a. **Appointment of Executive Committee:** Chair Derfler thanked Austin McGuigan, Vicki Berger and Loyal Burns for stepping up to be a part of the Executive Committee along with Vice Chair Smith and Chair Derfler.

XI. **Action Items:**

- a. **Proposed 2015 Calendar Year Operating Budget:** CEO Paluszak gave an overview of the proposed 2015 calendar year budget, noting that it does not include a deferred maintenance or capital expense components, which will be brought to the Council at a later date based on the outcome of the state budget process.

It was moved by Council Member Perkins-Hagele and seconded by Council Member Jennings to:

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1. Approve a Calendar Year 2015 Budget of:

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| Beginning Available Resources | 2,950,000 |
| Operating Budget: | |
| 2015 Operating Revenue | 4,925,100 |
| 2015 Operating Expenses | <u>(5,978,637)</u> |
| Profit/Loss From Operations | (1,053,537) |
| 2015 Contingency Budget: | <u>(400,000)</u> |
| Funded From Available Resources: | <u><u>1,453,537</u></u> |
| Ending Available Resources: | <u><u>1,496,463</u></u> |

2. Authorize the CEO to conduct the activities of the Oregon State Fair & Exposition Center within the approved Operating Budget without further action by the Council, subject to previously approved delegated authority.
3. Direct the CEO to propose any transfer of funds from the Contingency Budget to the Operating Budget for Council approval.
4. Direct the CEO to propose a Deferred Maintenance and Capital Expense Budget to the Council prior to June 30, 2015.

The motion carried unanimously, with Council Member Jennings expressing the Council's significant concerns that 1) it took such a long time to get the information needed to put together a budget, and 2) that in order to maintain a Oregon State Fair required by statute and otherwise, we will be using a substantial portion of our available resources and operating at a deficit.

XII. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

- a. Carol Jackson – Ms. Jackson asked if the bylaws for the Fair Foundation had been approved. She also inquired if recommendations of how the Fair Foundation funds should be used had been given to Ms. Tartar. Chair Derfler responded that the Council had no objection to the bylaws, and the Foundation is open to recommendations from the Council with regard to how their money should be spent. In turn, the Foundation has the right to approve or not approve those recommendations.

XIII. Council Members' Comments: None

XIV. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned until the next Regular Meeting on March 19, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.

Meeting Materials:

- Agenda
 - Council meeting Minutes of 1/22/15
 - Proposed 2015 Calendar Year Operating Budget
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