

Members Present: Jim Sahr, Kim Allen, Cathy Coulson-Keegan, Diane McWhorter, Ken Kirby, Lucy Kingsley (Board Liason). Members Excused: Anita Parish
Other Participants: Bill Wright, Sue Theolass, Jeff Harrison (Craft Inventory Liason)

Kid Crafters Guideline: Jeff's suggested guideline change was approved with a motion.

***Motion: Approve the guidelines change as Jeff wrote it. (Cathy/Diane) 5-0-0 All in favor.

Changes are in red.

57. Youth Crafts: Youth age 18 and younger may sell unjuried articles (kid's crafts) in their registered booth **or in the official Kids' Crafts booth (L)**.

All items must be handcrafted, handmade, homegrown, hand-gathered, or significantly altered by the child selling the craft. We encourage you to list kid crafters on your Craft Inventory record. Youth who will be 19 at the time of the Fair must jury their crafts. **They will jury as returning craftspersons if they were listed by Craft Inventory as active crafters (actually selling their crafts each day) for two of the previous 4 years.**

Plastic Signs: Newer materials and technology have led to plastic creeping into craft and food booths. What crew would be enforcement on the issue? We can write a note to booths through Registration with a friendly reminder that our aesthetic is for weathered, natural materials with no visible plastic. There is also a 16 sq. ft. limit on the size of signs that is being exceeded in some cases. No guideline changes are needed as it is all stated clearly. We can mention this in our report to the Board, but letting boothpeople know is probably the most effective action we can take.

Charlie Ruff is supposed to attend our next meeting. Operations might be of some help in reaffirming the importance of our Fair Aesthetics as we grow. Shining a light on this and getting it into discussion is one way of letting people know that it is an issue.

***Motion: Insert a report from Path Planning into our agenda (Ken/Kim) All in favor.

Path Planning: Cathy gave a report on the latest path planning issues. Construction representatives showed plans for and apologized to our committee for not acting on the space next to 228, and said it happened purely because of all the site work needed this year. The site still needs work and free firewood is available. They would like a liason from our committee to be on a Path Planning Sub-Committee for developing Crafts Lot. Ken may be available; he will check.

The space development next to 228 is on the Construction Capital Projects list for this year. We can express our support in our report.

The Committee discussed ongoing complaints about booth rep relations with booth crafters. Ongoing problems with people who don't respond to suggestion are difficult to solve, and it may be up to the booth participants themselves to solve internal dynamics issues. It is difficult for any outside "authority" to find evidence of most of the accusations in most of the cases. Craft Committee has limited scope and is supposed to make recommendations through either Craft Inventory or Registration, who can put people on probation. In all cases documentation is needed from the complainants in writing so it might be helpful to craft some kind of whistleblower protection for crafters who risk losing selling space. We can offer support to guide complainants through processes for possible actions.

Guidelines need clarification when boothpeople become Elders to make sure Booth Rep status and Elders are separate. The intention of the Elders pass is to serve those who retire from their active role, either as a volunteer or vendor. People shouldn't be able to do both. This intention needs to be put into writing as a clear guideline. Craft Committee will work on it next month, with some suggested guideline changes from Ken.

Next meeting the second Wednesday in November, the 14th at 6:00 pm in the town office.