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- 2 Food Committee Town Hall Meeting, 4:30
- 3 Board of Directors Meeting, 7 pm
- 5 Fair Family News Deadline
- 15 Emerald Ash Borer walk and talk, on site, noon

March

- 3 Board of Directors Meeting, 7 pm
- 5 Fair Family News Deadline

July 2025

11-13 Our Creative Festival!

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Food Committee: Stirring the Pot and Savoring the Future

by John Davis, OCF Food Committee liaison and Board Member

Ladies and gentlemen, dreamers and doers, gather 'round for a tale from the heart of the Fair—the Food Committee, where culinary magic meets communal care. They're not just serving up sustenance; they're crafting a vision for a more flavorful, sustainable, and harmonious future. And let me tell you, it's a beautiful, swirling, technicolor dream of collaboration and innovation.

Let's start with composting, that alchemical wonderland where yesterday's scraps become tomorrow's soil. The merry Recycling Crew, led by Abby, is redefining waste as treasure. They're layering greens and browns, chasing down rogue plastics, and reminding us all that "biodegradable" doesn't always mean "compostable." It's a dance of education, dedication, and a little magic to keep the methane monsters at bay. Want to help? Sort your scraps like your mama taught you and donate usable food before it hits the pile. Abby's got the answers—just drop her a line.

Speaking of connections, the Food Committee is excited about the possibilities of a mentorship program, which is still in its nascent stage. They aim to guide new and seasoned booths alike. While the program is developing, the committee is optimistic about providing resources in the future, such as tips on plumbing, solar power, or where to find the best refrigeration contractor. By fostering connections and sharing expertise, they're weaving

a safety net of knowledge and support. Stay tuned, and consider how you might play your part.

This year's guideline updates are another stroke of brilliance. They're splitting the rules into bite-sized pieces tailored for crews and booths, making it easier for everyone to find their groove.

And oh, the innovations! Aaron's QR code brings the Food Committee to your fingertips, while the Booth Rep Checklist is getting a facelift—digital, paper, or both? The people have spoken, and the committee is delivering. Meanwhile, the Durables Crew is ensuring utensils like spoons, knives, and forks are cleaner than ever, greywater systems are tightening their screws, and handwashing stations are getting an upgrade. It's all about making life smoother, easier, and more sustainable.

The committee's moving to monthly work sessions—closed for focus, open for town halls—to streamline operations without losing the vibrant pulse of the community. Got concerns? Reach out, speak up, and be heard. This shift isn't about shutting doors; it's about opening new ones.

So here's to the Food Committee, a kaleidoscope of passion and purpose, turning dreams into action and actions into a feast for the ages. Join the dance, lend a hand, and let's keep the Fair's culinary heart beating strong. Until next time, friends—keep stirring the pot!



EAB: Walk, and Talk about Ash Trees and Beetles

February 15, Noon - 2 pm

Site Manager Alexis Maddock is hosting a series of Emerald Ash Borer Site Walks. The group will meet at Main Camp to begin unless it's flooded. Then they will meet at the Hub.

These Walks are open to anyone that would like to attend. The walk will cover a distance of approximately one mile. The pace will be slow with many stops for discussion and observation. Please wear weather-appropriate clothing and shoes. Also, be prepared to negotiate uneven and muddy terrain.

The purpose of these Walks is to prepare for the arrival of the beetle. It



is an informal walk and talk covering basic information about the Ash trees on OCF property and the Emerald Ash Borer beetle. This will not be a discussion of long term planning or delving into the issues facing the Fair and the Site after the beetle arrives.

Please submit this form if you would like to attend: <https://forms.gle/STdo3ySAw2BMQbNN7>. The form is available on the Event Calendar at oregoncountryfair.net as well.

There will be more EAB Site Walks scheduled in March. These walks will be announced in the FFN and on the Event Calendar at oregoncountryfair.net

Establishing a Voting Age with By-Law Changes

by the OCF Joint Elections and Bylaws Committee

On January 8, 2024, the Board directed the Joint Elections/Bylaws Committee to address six issues, including establishing a minimum age for membership, also known as "voting age."

The committee has proposed Bylaws amendments to establish this minimum age and recommends putting the question to a membership vote. However, specific changes to the Bylaws are needed beforehand to prevent disenfranchisement.

We propose removing "who have been members for at least 30 days prior to a membership meeting" from Article V, Section 6(a) and adding, "An individual must submit a registration form at least 30 days before a membership meeting or election to be eligible to vote" to Article V, Section 2(d). This ensures that individuals reaching the designated voting age within 30 days of an election are not excluded.

This recommendation, vetted by Fair legal counsel, maintains voting rights while preventing unintended disenfranchisement. Leaving the current language as-is would unnecessarily restrict new voters affected by the minimum age rule.

Some argue this change may invoke Article XI, Section 2, which restricts amendments to voting rights without a membership vote. However, the committee and legal counsel agree the 30-day requirement does not constitute a voting right under Article XI, Section 2.

The Board remanded this motion to the committee at the August 2024 Board meeting and we've since reviewed it thoroughly with limited member feedback.

The committee feels that the ambiguity could be cleared up by explicitly defining what "voting rights of the membership" means. To that end, the committee has drafted the following proposed amendment to Article XI (see Lawrence Taylor's letter to the November issue of the FFN). Section 2 would become Section 2(a). Section 2(b) would read as follows:

"As used in subsection (a) of this Section, the term 'voting rights of the membership' means those subjects for which Article V, Section 6(a) provides that members 'shall vote' or 'shall have the right to vote.'"

This proposed amendment will, of course, require approval by the Board in order to be adopted. The committee is also recommending that the amendment be presented to the membership for a vote at the next annual membership meeting.

Leaving the language unchanged serves no benefit but risks disenfranchising eligible members once a minimum age is set. Updating the Bylaws aligns with legal requirements and preserves fairness.

If this issue matters to you, please share your thoughts. Email the committee at bylaws@oregoncountryfair.org.

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**Board of Directors Meeting
January 6, 2025, 7 pm**

(Subject to approval by the Board at the February 2025 Board meeting)

Zoom remote online and live streamed on YouTube

YouTube recording link: <https://www.youtube.com/live/uuARVJU4cg8>

Board Directors present: John Alexander, Anthony “AJ” Jackson (President), Sandra Bauer, George Braddock, Paxton Hoag, Kevin Levy, Arna Shaw (Vice President), Jon Steinhart, John Govsky, John Davis, and Teresa Vaughn. Other Board officers present: Hilary Anthony (Treasurer), and Anna DiBenedetto (Recording Secretary). Staff present: Kirsten Bolton (Executive Director), Mark Malaska (Co-Event Manager), Vanessa Roy (Marketing Manager), Norma Sax (Office Manager), Alex Zabala (Office Assistant), Sunny Arthurs (Assistant Event Manager), and Steven Berkson (Facilitator).

The meeting was facilitated by Steven Berkson.

Announcements

AJ: Sad news; Sandy Gonzalez, Saturday Market employee and longtime, beloved member of this organization (30 or 40-plus years), passed away suddenly a little over a week ago.

Sandra: More sad news. Connie Epstein also passed over the holidays. She played a pivotal role in the Oregon Country Fair. She was honored at the fiftieth as a major contributor. She was a transition person between Fair being a fundraiser for school and being turned into a community event. She has been involved in the community. She moved to Reno about five years ago to be near her son.

AJ: Membership Secretary, Stephen Diercouff, has resigned. Thank you for your service, Stephen!

Minutes Review

The Board approved the minutes of the December 2, 2024, meeting by unanimous consent.

Agenda Review

The Board approved the January 6, 2025, agenda by unanimous consent.

Member Input

Peter Jay Huiras (YaMon): Announcing his birthday benefit bash. When Hurricane Gilbert struck Jamaica in the 1980s, he organized a series of benefit concerts to help his Jamaican friends. When he moved to Oregon 10 years ago, he decided to do benefit birthday bashes. This party will benefit Tim McLoughlin’s musical summer camp for children. If you’ve ever been to his booth, you have probably heard his band, Dragon Rose Band, that will play Grateful Dead, reggae and

some original songs with Tim McLoughlin joining the band. Benefit concert will be Saturday, January 25, at 8 pm at Whirled Pies.

Staff Report – Executive Director

(YouTube video: 0:00:10:42)

Administration:

Budget Meeting Dates: The Budget Committee meets January 7 and 8. Coordinators Budget Meeting is Wednesday, January 15, 6:30 pm. Finalize Budget for Board Submission on January 22, 6:30 pm. The Board votes on 2025 Budget expenses on Monday, January 27 at 7 pm. Capital Expenses are due to your staff liaison by January 31. Capital Improvements review will be Wednesday, February 5, 6:30 pm; and Wednesday, February 12, 6:30 pm. Board votes on Capital Improvements at the Monday, March 3, regular Board meeting.

Coordinator Budget Sheets will be emailed to Coordinators the week of February 3.

Capital Improvement projects from Staff: Gators – 2, Alexis; Skid Steer – Alexis; Winery House carry over – Kirsten/Alexis; Winery Pole Barn – Kirsten/Alexis; Dug’s Green (conference table, conference room lighting, conference room bathroom shower, exterior painting, 220-V electric car charge station) – Alexis; Eugene Office (remove berm, Ring Doorbell Security System) – Mark; Six Pack deep clean – Alexis; laptops for Sticker Booth – Mark/Vanessa; laptops for Staff – Kirsten/Mark/Vanessa; Water project carry over – Alexis; Porta-Potty purchase – Alexis; Vaudeville carry over – Vanessa; Emerald Ash Borer budget – Kirsten; COW Palace retrofit – Alexis/Kirsten; HUB roof carry over – Alexis; Stewardship carry over – Sunny.

Event Management:

Crews that are working on projects/transitions: Main Camp Wristbanding, Sticker Booth transition (Elders, Entertainment), IT, Water, Showers (Back Lot Showers), Crew Services, PFK (Meal Registration), Toilet Team, Dug’s Yard Dog Team.

Teddy Bear Picnic 2025 will be Saturday, August 16.

Culture Jam 2025 is tentatively set for Thursday, July 31, to Thursday, August 7.

Spring Fling will be May 10 at the WOW Hall at 6 pm.

Marketing:

Guidelines: We’re breaking the Guidelines into two booklets. We’ll print 2,000 General Guidelines; 1,000 Booths Guidelines; and 2,500 maps. The map will be separate this year and available at QuarterMaster. Guidelines will be sent to the designer February 1 and to the printer March 1.

Craft applications are due March 21.

Mandatory Food Meeting is June 4.

Coordinator requests for Teen Crew members opens in February; teen requests to be on a crew are due March 1 to April 15.

Entertainment Applications are due February 15.

2025 Contracts:

LTD Meeting set in early January - Mark/Kirsten; First Student – Mark; United Site Services – Alexis; Honey Buckets – Alexis; Above All Sanitation – Alexis; Lane County Sheriff’s Office – Kirsten/Grumpy/Sunny; Western States Flaggers – Kirsten/Grumpy/Sunny; City of Veneta

(banner) – Vanessa; Dodeca Art Barn – Kirsten/Sunny; Ritz Sauna (Dodeca water access contract) – Kirsten/Sunny;; Whitebird – Mark/Sunny; Life’s Best in Tents – Mark;

T-shirts – Vanessa; the eblast to coordinators for T-shirt size request went out in early January; date to submit size requests runs January 15 to February 15;

Printer Contracts; Commemorative Sales – Vanessa; Zumwalt Campground inventory – Kirsten/Sunny; Emerald Valley Towing – Kirsten/Grumpy/Sunny; Paragon Water – Mark; Guidelines printing – Alex; Moo Lines – Mark; Sunbelt Rentals – Mark; United Rentals – Mark; Penske Rentals – Mark; Enterprise – Mark; Water Meter rental – Alexis;

Afton (build event in their system in January, tickets go on sale April 1, change to full price tickets on June 16) – Vanessa/Alex; Cascade Ice – Mark; 2025 Service Providers; Veggies on the Run – Kirsten/Sunny; Santa Clara Farm Stand – Kirsten/Sunny; Lane County Health Inspectors – Kirsten/Sunny; ATM – Mark; Sherman Brothers/Ice – Mark; T-Mobile – Alexis; Verizon – Alexis; AT&T – Alexis; Breathing Media – Vanessa.

2025 Permits:

Lane County Camping Permits (Farside, Zenn Acres, Alice’s, Marshall’s, Dahinda Acres) – Sunny; Lane County Outdoor Assembly Permit (Farside) – Sunny; ODOT-Kirsten/Grumpy/Sunny; Lane County right of way – Sunny; Dance Pavilion building permit – Sunny; Chela Mela building permit – Sunny/Alexis; Xavanadu building permits (four per year) – Alexis/Sunny.

2025 Supplies:

This is just the start of this list. Toilet paper – Alex/Kirsten; paper towels – Alex/Kirsten; Botanie (biodegradable) soap – Alex/Kirsten; Durables (forks/spoons/knives/labels/buckets) – Sunny/Alexis.

Treasurers’ Report

(YouTube video: 0:00:18:32)

Hilary: Happy New Year everybody. Sounds like the Staff have been very busy and she knows the Board members have been busy, too. In her Chela Mela world, she is hearing people starting to come out of their winter slumbers and think about the Fair, so she’s sure that’s happening everywhere. Doesn’t have a Treasurer report because there are a lot of meetings coming up but will have plenty to report soon enough with all the Budget stuff coming up.

Sandra asked Kirsten if Staff and Food Committee are exploring getting new food booths. There are food deserts at Fair and long lines.

Kirsten: Every year around this time the Food Committee debates whether there is a food booth to fill. If someone says they are not coming, we would be looking, but honestly there is no discussion about expanding food booths at this time. Will ask the Food Committee to consider the idea.

Committee and Working Group Reports

Committees should send their reports to Vanessa (vanessa@oregoncountryfair.org), to be posted on the .net site and included in the Board packet.

Elders Committee met September 15, 2024, and the minutes are here: <https://oregoncountryfair.net/wp-content/uploads/bsk-pdf-manager/2024/12/Energy-Park-Minutes-September-2024.pdf>
Committee report is accepted as presented by unanimous consent.

Old Business

(YouTube video: 0:21:27)

Approve 2025 Guideline Policy Changes (Teresa Vaughn, Paxton Hoag and AJ Jackson)
Paxton moved and John Alexander seconded to adopt the Guidelines Policy Changes.
Jon Steinhart moved to separate out 1, 6, 7, 9 and 12.

Member Input: Regarding Guideline changes not including 1, 6, 7, 9 and 12.

Anna Scott: LUMP Chairperson. They support Guideline about LUMP (#7) because they support people learning about land use management at the Fair.

Ann Bennet-Rogers: Supports what Anna Scott said about LUMP Guideline presentation. We need to plant native plants. This guideline change supports that.

Board Discussion about Guideline Changes as a whole excluding 1, 6, 7, 9 and 12: None
Motion passed: 11-0.

AJ moved and Teresa seconded to accept to accept Guideline #1.
Guidelines Change #1.

Fair Affiliation: Registration Crew & Fair Management

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

68. additional camping passes. Requests for more wristbands will be considered based on the following criteria approved by the Board of Directors: On-site food preparation and hours of operation. A food cart or strolling food vendor must be open at least 15 hours per day and any food booth, including drinks-only booths, must be open 20 or more hours per day, including Sunday. Be sure to request your additional wristbands by the May 1 deadline. (This deadline is extended for new food booths accepted after the May 1 registration deadline.) There is no limit to purchasing Worker Day Passes.

Show how the revised section is to read:

~~68. (NEW) additional camping passes. Requests for more wristbands will be considered based on the following criteria approved by the Board of Directors: On-site food preparation and hours of operation. A food cart or strolling food vendor must be open at least 15 hours per day and any~~

~~food booth, including drinks-only booths, must be open 20 or more hours per day, including Sunday.~~

68. A food cart or strolling food vendor must be open at least 15 hours per day and any food booth, including drinks-only booths, must be open 20 or more hours per day including Sunday in order to receive additional wristbands.

Jon Steinhart moved and Sandra seconded to amend as follows: A food cart or strolling food vendor must be open at least 15 hours per day and any food booth, including drinks-only booths, must be open 20 or more hours per day including Sunday in order to receive additional wristbands.

Motion to amend passed: 9-1-1; Paxton opposed; John Alexander abstained.

Motion passed as amended: 11-0.

Guidelines Change #2

Fair Affiliation: Registration Crew & Fair Management

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

70. worker day passes are available to daytime booth workers, including those working Wednesday and Thursday. Worker day passes for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday are \$25 each. Worker day passes allow booth and cart workers to be on OCF property between 7 am and 7 pm only. There is no limit to purchasing Worker Day Passes. Unused worker day passes are not refundable.

Show how the revised section is to read:

70. **(New) worker day passes** are available to daytime booth workers, including those working Wednesday and Thursday. Worker day passes for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday are \$25 each. Worker day passes allow booth and cart workers to be on OCF property between 7 am and 7 pm only. Distributing worker day passes to non-workers is not allowed and can result in consequences up to and including loss of Booth Representative status. Unused worker day passes are not refundable.

Guidelines Change #3

Fair Affiliation: Amplified Sound Task Force

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

Section 11. Entertaining at the Fair.

Entertainment is scheduled throughout the Fair. No battery powered amplifiers, radios, tape recorders, or recorded music are allowed on paths, stages, or in stage areas unless provided or

approved by OCF Entertainment Crew coordinators or Fair Management. Unscheduled performers are expected to comply with the Wandering Performer Guidelines, available at the Check Inn booth at Entertainment Camp or on the oregoncountryfair.org and oregoncountryfair.net websites. Please contact the nearest Information Booth if a performer is blocking a path. Friday through Sunday of the Fair, battery carts devoted to stages will be used only for acts coordinated and scheduled by Entertainment coordinators. Late-night acoustical venues respectful of the camphoods and needs of the Fair Family are encouraged. Tolerance of those who want to dance and celebrate is also appreciated. See Section 51 for additional Sound

Show how the revised section is to read:

Section 11. Entertaining at the Fair.

Entertainment is scheduled throughout the Fair. OCF places an emphasis on the handmade and encourages creative forms of mindful presentation in a way that does not preclude others from expressing themselves as well. Wandering Performers, during day or night, are not allowed to have amplifiers, portable speakers, radios, or other such devices on OCF property including paths, stages, stage areas, camping areas, or parking lots, unless provided or approved by OCF Entertainment Crew coordinators or Fair Management. Unscheduled performers are expected to comply with the Wandering Performer Guidelines, available at the Check Inn booth at Entertainment Camp or on the oregoncountryfair.org and oregoncountryfair.net websites. An amplified sound permit is required if a Wandering Performer wants to use amplified sound in their performance. Please contact the nearest Information Booth if a performer is blocking a path. Friday through Sunday of the Fair; battery carts devoted to stages will be used only for acts coordinated and scheduled by Entertainment coordinators. Late-night performers should be respectful of the camp areas and needs of the Fair Family. Please be considerate and tolerant of those who want to celebrate, as well as those who want to enjoy the ambient sound of the site. If you believe there is a violation of this guideline, please contact your nearest Information Booth for assistance.

See Section 51 for additional Sound.

Guidelines Change #4

Fair Affiliation: Amplified Sound Task Force

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

Section 51. Sound Amplification.

Community agreements. Because we camp so closely together, amplified sound, whether live or recorded, projected beyond the intended audience creates problems for other Fair Family. Please consider others before you turn it up. Please be respectful of your impact on acoustic musicians, exhausted kids and parents, and Fair Family with early morning shifts. Camp hosts, coordinators, booth representatives, and campers are asked to develop and negotiate neighborhood agreements before the Fair regarding sound levels and noise guidelines and to collectively coexist in a peaceful manner. If conflict develops, the Management Team will

intervene as needed. Conflict resolution decisions made at that time by the Management Team must be honored by all involved parties and will be reviewed post-Fair.

Amplified sound permits. If you are planning an event involving amplified sound on the Fair site outside of the event season, you must obtain a permit from the Site Manager. During OCF Main Camp through post-Fair you can pick up a permit application at QuarterMaster. Return the application to QM or Fair Central for review by the Management Team, who will consider requests on a case-by-case basis. Sound Amplification Permits may be determined, in part, using some or all the following criteria: sound sheds, decibel levels, respectful interactions, and other permitted amplified events in proximity or on consecutive nights in the same location. Timing. All Sound Permit requests and timing issues are subject to Management approval all year long. Amplified sound will comply with Lane County ordinances per our agreement with the County. All amplified sound taking place on OCF stages during the weekend of the event are subject to Stage Coordinator approval, Community Agreement, and final OCF Management review and approval.

Types of amplified sound. Amplified sound allowed at the OCF is that which is sung, played, or mixed by the musician or DJ and respectfully broadcast to the immediate area and audience with the understanding that sound circles overlap and not always to the benefit of others. Pre-recorded music is not in line with our emphasis on the hand-crafted, whether art, food, or music. You are encouraged to turn off pre-recorded music, unless it is part of a live mix performance, dance, or stage act.

Future. There are ongoing efforts among the Board, Management, and other Fair volunteers to understand and design our soundscape to meet the needs of our intergenerational family and our neighbors in Veneta. By working together and understanding that there is a wide range of requests, requirements, and desires, we can come to agreements across campsites and campgrounds that meet the needs of most people much of the time. Therefore, this guideline is an evolving process and will be subject to annual review by the Board of Directors.

Show how the revised section is to read:

Section 51. Sound Amplification.

Community Standards. OCF places an emphasis on the handmade, and encourages creative forms of mindful presentation in a way that does not preclude others from expressing themselves as well. Because we camp so closely together, amplified, or any loud sound, whether live or recorded, projected beyond the intended audience creates problems for other Fair Family. From Main Camp through Post Fair, all amplified sound between the hours of 7 pm and 2 am the following day, must have a sound permit. When planning your amplified event, please consider the size of your space and the impact of your sound on surrounding areas. Your amplification should fill the space without bleeding into neighboring camps or other permitted amplified sound. Please consider others before you turn it up. Be respectful of your impact on other performances, exhausted kids and parents, and Fair Family with early morning shifts by ending your program on time and not exceeding the sound limits detailed on the permit.

If conflict develops, or you believe there is a violation of this guideline, please contact your nearest Information Booth for assistance. The Management Team will intervene, as needed.

Conflict resolution decisions made at that time by the Management Team must be honored by all involved parties and will be reviewed post-Fair.

Amplified Sound. All Amplified Sound requests and timing issues are subject to Management approval all year long. If you are planning an event involving amplified sound on the Fair site outside of the event season, you must obtain a permit from the Site Manager. All amplified sound will comply with Lane County ordinances per our agreement with the County. All amplified sound taking place on OCF stages during the weekend of the event are subject to Stage Coordinator approval and final OCF Management approval.

From Main Camp through Post Fair, all other sources of amplified sound between the hours of 7 pm and 2 am the following day must have an Amplified Sound Permit. No amplified sound, or loud performances, will be allowed between 2 am and 6 am.

Amplified Sound Permits. Download an Amplified Sound Permit Application at: oregoncountryfair.net/documents.

During OCF Main Camp through post-Fair, you may also pick up a permit application at QuarterMaster. Return the application as instructed for review by the Management Team who will consider requests on a case-by-case basis. Applications must be received at least 48 hours prior to the requested event.

Sound Amplification Permit approval may be determined, in part, using some or all of the following criteria: sound sheds, decibel levels, respectful interactions, and other permitted amplified events in proximity or on consecutive nights in the same location. It is important to highlight that breaking agreements and/or not following directions regarding Amplified Sound Permits from the Management team or Site Manager can result in the denial of future permit requests made by the individual and associated group(s).

Types of amplified sound. Amplified sound allowed at the OCF is that which is sung, played, or created by the musician or DJ and respectfully broadcast to the immediate area and audience with the understanding that sound circles overlap and are not always to the benefit of others. Pre-recorded music is not in line with our emphasis on the handcrafted, whether art, food, or music. No pre-recorded music is allowed, unless it is a part of an approved performance, dance, stage act, or work crew.

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Guidelines Change #5

Name: John Whiddon

Fair Affiliation: Coordinator, OCF Child Care Crew

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

Section 26 - Child Care During the Fair (pp. 12-13), Section 27 - Lost Kids (pp. 13-14)

26. Child Care During the Fair. The Oregon Country Fair operates Child Care facilities, which are available during the Fair at no charge. They are in several locations across Fair property. The Child Care Crew's chief goal is to create safe and pleasant places for children and families to play and to create their own personal Fair experience.

Sesame Street Child Care can be found at booth #333 near the top of the Fair across from the Ritz Sauna. Here, you will find a kids-only "formal" childcare wonderland for interested and potty-trained children (no bare butts, diapers, or training pants!), with a professional staff, entertainment, arts & crafts, sensory, imagination, and gross motor play areas. Background checks have been made on all staff. Please limit the duration of your child's stay to two hours. The time limit may be flexible, as long as a responsible adult checks in with the children hourly. If there is no waiting list and the child is doing well, the parent can extend the child's time. Please consider the comfort of the children and the demands made on Child Care staff. Hungry, angry, or unwilling children may not be left with Child Care. Before children enter the secure area, the child's responsible adult must complete a registration form for each child, which includes the adult's full name, cell phone number, home address, and booth number and location or crew and shift locations.

Wally's Way is near the front of the Fair between the Front Porch and Caravan Stages. This family-oriented, parent-supervised area is a safe and quiet(er) zone somewhat off the beaten path, where you will find a full entertainment lineup, a library, rotating demonstrations, climbing structures, and a playground. We encourage families to spread out a blanket and stay awhile!

Mellow Places are quiet, semi-private areas for the youngest among us to find some respite from the crowds, along with diaper changing facilities, shade, limited seating, and a few activities geared for toddlers. There are three locations across Fair: adjacent to Sesame Street Child Care, on Wally's Way, and in Xavanadu. Adults must be in the company of a child, and children must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times. Bring your own diapers and supplies and pack everything out when you leave!

Parental responsibility. Child Care is not a surrogate parent. Aside from kids checked in at Sesame Street Child Care, a responsible adult must supervise the children in their care at all times. We reserve the right to ask those who do not honor the protocol to not bring their children back to any Child Care area for the duration of the Fair.

Sorry, no diapers. We cannot change diapers or care for children who are not toilet trained. Sanitation facilities are extremely limited.

Special Needs. Child Care Crew is equipped to offer one-to-one care for children with special needs, including, but not limited to, autism spectrum disorder, deaf and hard of hearing, sensory processing disorder, and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder. We also have many multilingual staff members and offer first-language care in several languages, including ASL. Please note any special needs at pre-registration so we can attempt to have appropriate staff on hand.

27. Lost Children. Pre- and post-Fair, lost children must be reported to, and found children must be taken to QuarterMaster at Main Camp. Fair weekend, from noon, Thursday, through noon, Monday, the Child Care Crew provides 24-hour service for lost kids. Found children should be taken to the nearest Child Care location. Fair Central will be notified of lost or found children. Parents/guardians should go to any Info Booth to report a lost child.

During the Sweep, parents/guardians with or without a wristband who become separated from children in their care should be directed to the Child Care Information Booth on Wally's Way. The Child Care Crew will work with Fair Central and Security to arrange the reunion of parents/guardians with children at that location. Found children will be taken to the closest Child Care area, either Wally's Way or Sesame Street. After the Sweep, all found children should be taken to the Wally's Way Child Care Info Booth. Security, Child Care, and Fair Central will work to reunite parents/guardians and children as quickly as possible.

Show how the revised section is to read:

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Wally's Way Family Fun Zone is near the front of the Fair between the Front Porch and Caravan Stages. This family-oriented, parent-supervised area is a safe and quiet(er) zone somewhat off the beaten path, where you will find a full entertainment lineup, a library, rotating demonstrations, climbing structures, and a playground. We encourage families to spread out a blanket and stay awhile!

Mellow Spaces are quiet, semi-private areas for the youngest among us to find some respite from the crowds, along with diaper-changing facilities, shade, limited seating, and a few activities geared for toddlers. There are three locations across Fair: adjacent to Sesame Street Child Care, on Wally's Way, and in Xavanadu on Moon Path. Adults must be in the company of a child, and children must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times. Bring your own diapers and supplies and pack everything out when you leave!

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staff members and offer first-language care in several languages, including ASL. Please note any special needs at pre-registration so we can attempt to have appropriate staff on hand. Special needs care is subject to the availability of trained staff and is not guaranteed. Thank you for your understanding.

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During the Sweep, parents/guardians with or without a wristband who become separated from children in their care should be directed to the Child Care Information Booth on Wally's Way. The Child Care Crew will work with Fair Central and Security to arrange the reunion of parents/guardians with children at that location. Found children will be taken to the closest Child Care area, either Wally's Way, Sesame Street, or to the Moon Path Mellow Space in Xavanadu.

After the Sweep, all found children should be taken to the Wally's Way Child Care Info Booth. Security, Child Care, and Fair Central will work to reunite parents/guardians and children as quickly as possible.

Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected?

Clarity, correct formatting/typeface for Section Titles, section subtitles, etc. We would appreciate the chance to talk about any changes to, or rejections of, our edits.

(YouTube video: 0:33:08)

Arna moved and Teresa seconded to approve Guideline #6.

Guidelines Change #6

Name: Chelsea Guyette

Fair Affiliation: Camping Crew Co-Coordinator

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

Page 21, #45 (Original Text): Camping Before and After the Fair

Camping Before and After the Fair is limited to working crews and booth participants, subject to operational approval. Booth people intending to camp while working on their booth must sign in with QuarterMaster at Main Camp. The OCF does not provide meals for booth workers. You can camp at the Fair starting Wednesday, July 10, only with possession of a wristband or photo ID. Miss Piggy camping will be open at 9 am, Wednesday, July 10, for those who must be on site and have traditionally camped there. Vehicles in the Miss Piggy lot are for camping only and may not be removed from 7 am, Friday, to 9 pm, Sunday. All campers and their belongings must be packed up, packed out and off site no later than 6 pm, Monday, July 15.

Page 22, #49 (Original Text): Tent Tags.

An OCF-issued tent tag must be affixed to each tent or camping structure on the OCF site during Main Camp until closing post-Fair. We use tent tags to ensure that only OCF booth

members, entertainers, volunteers, and other Fair Family members are camping on the Fair Site. Tent tags are available from the Camping Crew at Main Camp QuarterMaster Pre-Fair. They are also available starting Wednesday, July 10, from camp hosts or other volunteers designated by the Camping Crew.

Page 22, #50 (Last paragraph, original text)

To camp in South Miss Piggy's, you must have a wristband, vehicle sticker, and South Miss Piggy's sticker before entering.

Show how the revised section is to read:

45. Camping Before and After the Fair Camping before and after the Fair is limited to working crews and booth participants, subject to operational approval. Booth people intending to camp while working on their booth must sign in with QuarterMaster at Main Camp. The OCF does not provide meals for booth workers. You can camp at the Fair starting Wednesday, July 9, only with possession of a wristband or photo ID. South Miss Piggy and SCOF Lot camping will be open at 9 am, Wednesday, July 9, for those who must be on site and have traditionally camped there. Vehicles in the South Miss Piggy and SCOF lots are for camping only and may not re-enter between 7 am, Friday, July 11 and 9 pm, Sunday, July 13.

49. Tent Tags. An OCF-issued tent tag must be affixed to each tent or camping structure in tent-only camping areas on the OCF site during Main Camp until closing post-Fair. We use tent tags to ensure that only OCF booth members, entertainers, volunteers, and other Fair Family members are camping on the Fair Site. Tent tags are available from the Camping Crew at Main Camp QuarterMaster Pre-Fair. They are also available starting Wednesday, July 9, from camp hosts or other volunteers designated by the Camping Crew.

50. Campsites. Only approved crews working during Main Camp can set up camp before Wednesday, July 9.

Everyone must camp in designated areas. Camping Crew is available to help locate camps. They can be reached through QuarterMaster. Please check with your coordinator, camp host, booth representative, or the Camping Crew before setting up camp. Campsites must not be claimed or altered without an OK from the Camping Crew.

No brush cutting or digging is allowed.

See Environment (Section 40). Please do not use rope or flagging tape to claim your camp-site. Do not alter the land or the natural surroundings. All camps must be clean when you leave. No benches, tables, camp furniture, etc., may be left or stored or they will be confiscated. All OCF camping areas are pack it in, pack it out, leave no trace areas.

Pit toilets (holes dug in the ground for disposal of human or animal waste), personal camp toilets or porta-potties, and private showers are not allowed. Violation of this guideline may result in probation or suspension.

No visible campsites. Camping within the Fair must not be visible to the visiting public and must be in designated camping areas only.

Far Side camping. The Far Side campground is primarily for volunteer staff. All OCF camping and environmental guidelines apply. The Site Manager or Far Side coordinator must approve all camp locations. Campsites must not be visible from the Fair side. Please identify your camp with a name and sign. All Far Side campers must have regular and Far Side wristbands to access the

campsite before noon, Thursday, July 10. All vehicles must have Far Side vehicle stickers affixed to the lower left-hand side of the front windshield. Failure to affix your Far Side vehicle sticker will result in your vehicle getting towed.

Vehicle access is through a road entrance off Territorial Highway, which opens at noon on Wednesday before the Fair. The gate is closed Friday, Saturday, and Sunday until 6 pm, when it opens to exiting traffic. Exiting vehicles will not be permitted to re-enter. Incoming traffic is limited to service and emergency vehicles. If you camp on the Far Side and need to use your vehicle during Fair days, you must have a regular Fair vehicle sticker and park in an approved staff parking lot on the Fair side.

Zenn Acres, Marshall's Landing, and Alice's Wonderland camping. All OCF camping and environmental guidelines apply. No parking is available.

South Miss Piggy's and SCOF Lot. To camp in these areas, you must have a wristband, vehicle sticker, and South Miss Piggy's or SCOF Lot sticker before entering.

~~**Generator Use in Campsites.** Generators may be used only in campsites between the hours of 8 am to 8 pm. Generators must be located within your own camping area and not in a common path or accessway adjacent to your camp. Never leave generators operating unattended. Please be considerate of your fellow campers and minimize generator use.~~

Generator Use in Campsites. Petroleum-based internal combustion generators may be used only in Farside Meadow, South Miss Piggy and SCOF Lot campsites between the hours of 8 am to 8 pm. Generators must be located within your own camping area and not in a common path or accessway adjacent to your camp. Never leave generators operating unattended. Please be considerate of your fellow campers, and minimize generator use. Only solar, battery and human-powered electricity sources are allowed in all other locations.

Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected:

Changes proposed are meant to help campers with clarity on the camping process in South Miss Piggy and SCOF Lot and add SCOF as an additional car camping area in the guidelines.

The new proposed guideline on generators is due to years of complaints from campers who were stuck next to a running generator at night, making it difficult to sleep and disrupting the ambiance of the Fair.

The new proposed guideline would affect campers using generators at night in camping areas.

Jon Steinhart moved and Sandra seconded to amend Guideline #6 as follows:

~~**Generator Use in Campsites.** Generators may be used only in campsites between the hours of 8 am to 8 pm. Generators must be located within your own camping area and not in a common path or accessway adjacent to your camp. Never leave generators operating unattended. Please be considerate of your fellow campers and minimize generator use.~~

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Jon Steinhart: Generator use is not in line with our organization's zero-carbon goals and now we're talking about generators, which is being pressed upon us as opposed to something that happens with intention. The explanation says it's doing it for Missy Piggy and SCOF lot, so I want to make that explicit so we don't suddenly have people using A/C with generators in Marshal's Landing or other camping areas. As an organization, if we suddenly change to everyone needing electricity all the time, we need to think about infrastructure improvements to provide solar energy to people, not having hundreds of people running gas generators at Fair all the time. Purpose of this change is support what it says in the reason for this, which is that generators are only for South and Miss Piggy, rather than giving a blanket approval to run generators everywhere else at Fair. Talked to someone before meeting and would be happy to change language to include Farside because apparently that's another heavy generator use area. We are pretty packed together, so doesn't want everybody breathing fumes and hearing generators every day between 8 am and 8 pm.

Member Input:

Lisa Cooley: Agrees with no generators and lives in that area (south Missy Piggy lot). Hasn't had a chance to read everything but she is one of the only crews that is out early and stays late. People forget that we are out there in South Miss Piggy lot. They are there Tuesday to Tuesday. They have a concert or show on Thursday nights, and they need a generator. They get a sound permit. They don't want the guideline to conflict with their annual concert.

Remedios Rapoport: Sick of smelling gas fumes at the Fair. Smells more there than anywhere else all year long. Having more generators seems wrong. Maybe with heat there is a need, but why are we giving permission? Has been shopping for own van camping life and power stations you can buy in a lithium battery. Please no more generators and gas fumes if at all possible, invest in other power sources.

Aaron Kenton: Was reading section about dates you can camp and it has dates, but those would change every year.

Board Discussion:

John Alexander: This doesn't allow or disallow something that was previously allowed or disallowed before the amendment, right?

Jon Steinhart: Originally, the guideline said that generators would only be used in campsites between 8 am and 8 pm. This amendment is to limit their use to Miss Piggy and SCOF lot campsites. We don't have a policy on generator use at the Fair. What he was trying to do with the amendment was not have it get out of hand and give us some time to think about this for next year; to think about what kind of overall policy we really want because it was too late to come up with for this year.

Sandra: This looks like new language about generators in the Guidelines.

Kirsten: Yes, new section.

Sandra: Seems like a good start. Some generators are quite loud, so there could be noise issues.

Jon Steinhart: If it were up to me, I would try to amend like other festivals that have no generators. But we already have a precedent for areas of the Fair that are essentially RV parks. We need to address this next year. Since we're putting generator language in, I don't want to give

permission to use generators anywhere at Fair between 8 am and 8 pm, which is the purpose of the amendment.

Paxton moved and Jon Steinhart seconded to add Farside Meadow to the amendment. It is essentially an RV park. We might consider the future and whatever the winery site is, Outer Limits or Out of Site, the winery site.

Member Input:

Heather Kent: Careful to add areas that you don't absolutely need. Maybe don't add Outer Limits.

Steven Berkson: Maybe don't include Outer Limits because it's so far from fire protection.

Ann Bennet-Rogers: Dennis Todd (the late) used to say that Winery property would be a good site for RVs because they have power already. Consider for the future.

Aaron Kenton: Doesn't think we should have generators anywhere that we don't need them.

Board Discussion:

Jon Steinhart: Change amendment to drop Outer Limits. Paxton agreed

John Alexander: Our guidelines should be in line with our carbon neutral objectives. Doesn't use generators and prefers when they aren't running nearby.

Motion passed (to add Farside Meadow to the amendment): 10-0-1; John Alexander abstained.

John Alexander: Is this amendment to the guideline opening the door to generators where it wasn't previously open? Or is it closing the door where it was already open?

Steven: Guidelines were silent previously.

Kirsten: We have never had a generator policy. Right now, you can use one anywhere. This would limit times they could be used in campsites. Only campsites allowed are the specified ones. Camping Crew recommended when and where generators can be used.

Teresa: Understands concern about overuse, smelling gas, fire hazards, but also concerned because there are generators that don't use fuel that are solar. We might be throwing this out there without doing a deep dive. This might create more problems because we are not defining generators. Doesn't know enough about why people with campers are using generators. They might have medical issues. Feels rushed. What is meant by generator? Google lists some non-fuel-based generator products.

AJ: Agrees with concerns that Teresa has, specifically medical point of view. We haven't had an opportunity to research how many folks are using generators for medical use. Many generators don't use gas. Concerned with limiting locations of generators without all the information.

Paxton: Generators mean a specific thing, which usually uses a combustible, propane, wood, gas, etc. Solar batteries are not generators whether they call them that or not. In my neighborhood, someone brings a large battery setup that works very well in their campground. Most people using CPAPs are using battery packs, often solar powered. This is appropriate for RVs, which is what we're talking about.

Kevin: Maybe we should be more specific and limit gas generators while not limiting electric ones.

AJ moved and Kevin seconded to add petroleum-based internal combustion generators to the amendment.

Member Input:

Jon Pincus: Division should be between generators that emit fumes, to differentiate from batteries. Some of the things Paxton mentioned can have just as bad an impact on environment.

Remedios Rapoport. Loves the amendment to the amendment — fuel burning generators catches it all.

Steven B.: Doesn't disagree, but we have a lot of campfires out there.

Board Discussion:

Jon Steinhart: It is surprising that this is an issue before #12, where he actually had a definition of generator, which he sent to the Board this afternoon. Amazed that he and Paxton agree about what is and isn't a generator. Only solar power and human-powered electricity sources are acceptable. There are a lot of things out there that are scarier than petroleum. Doesn't want Radioisotope thermal generators at the Fair.

Jon S. moved and Arna seconded to define generator as solar power and human-powered electricity sources.

Paxton: Leave it as gas generator, which covers natural gas, wood gasification, petroleum-based stuff, diesel, gasoline or propane.

Kirsten: Suggested wording in the chat: **Generator Use in Campsites. Petroleum-based internal combustion generators may be used only in Farside Meadow, South Miss Piggy and SCOF Lot campsites between the hours of 8 am to 8 pm. Generators must be located within your own camping area and not in a common path or accessway adjacent to your camp. Never leave generators operating unattended. Please be considerate of your fellow campers, and minimize generator use. Only solar, battery and human powered electricity sources are allowed in all other locations.**

Member Input:

Hilary: As an RV-ignorant person, asked if a person could use their engine to get around the rule, not technically running a generator.

Heather Kent: Knows RVs and yes, could turn on her engine to get around this rule to charge some of her batteries, even if not turning on generator to run all three A/Cs.

Board Discussion:

John Alexander: These amendments are getting complicated, and we might be opening the door to over-permitting or disallowing things that used to be allowed. Maybe we should refer this to a subcommittee.

Steven B.: First there was a generator guideline proposed, then an amendment to specify locations, then types, then a definition of other generators allowed elsewhere.

Jon Steinhart called the question and Arna seconded.

Motion to call the question passed: 10-0-1; John Alexander abstained.

Vote on whether to amend the amendment to add **only solar powered, battery powered and human powered electricity sources are allowed in all other locations.**

Motion passed: 9-1-1; AJ opposed; John Alexander abstained.

Arna called the question and Teresa seconded.

Motion to call the question passed: 10-0-1; AJ abstained.

Vote to amend the amendment to what Kirsten posted in chat:

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Motion passed 10-0-1; John Alexander abstained.

Member Input:

Jon Pincus: Appreciates all the amendments but wants Board to consider adding grid power to the motion.

Aaron Kenton: Dates change every year, so Guidelines should be changed to allow for dates to change every year.

Manpuppet: One time they had a flood (2012 or 13) and needed to pump water near Pooh's corner. Would this affect that type of crew work?

Board members said no.

Jon S. called the question and Arna seconded.

Motion to call the question passed: 8-3; Paxton, John Alexander and AJ opposed.

Motion to pass amended #6 Guideline passed: 9-1-1; AJ opposed; John Alexander abstained.

(YouTube video: 1:30:44)

Paxton moved and Arna seconded to approve Guideline #7.

Guidelines Change #7

Name: Robert Albano

Fair Affiliation: LUMP committee member, Fair Elder

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

Page 16, Stewardship of the Land Section — use a new section number — after section 39 would be good.

Show how the revised section is to read:

Land Use Management Planning at the Fair: Curious how the Fair manages different areas of the more than 500 acres of land we own? Check out the Manual!

<https://lump.oregoncountryfair.org/Documents/Handbooks/LumpManualCurrent.html>

The OCF Board of Directors established the Land Use and Management Planning (LUMP) committee in 1991 and charged its members with developing a comprehensive overview of the site and a plan for its management. The Board voted in 1998 to adopt land use planning as a guiding principle. The LUMP committee helps set the guiding principles upon which operational and policy decisions are made about land use at the Fair site. Please visit <https://oregoncountryfair.net/land-use-management-planning-lump-committee/> to learn more about the committee and how to become involved in land use decisions at the Fair.

Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected? The LUMP Manual needs to be easily accessible to the Fair Family.

<https://lump.oregoncountryfair.org/Documents/Handbooks/LumpManualCurrent.html>

Those affected would be anyone who is on the site!

Paxton: LUMP manual is manual that they use to communicate with Fair family about land use management, which is a guiding principle of the Fair. They have published it as a book, adjacent to Guidelines. They are publishing a digital one, but people don't know how to find it, so they thought putting a QR code or link in the Guidelines would help people find it. They want to add #39, but it's up to Guidelines folks how to do it. Link or QR code would work.

Jon S.: Didn't want to amend it, but did want to vote on it separately.

Member Input:

Heather Kent: Acreage for Fair is 554 acres, so to be accurate, you might want to specify that.

Kirsten: They always round to 500 for public purposes, so that is consistent.

Lisa Cooley: Loves this LUMP Guideline. QR code is a great idea. Printing a few copies of the LUMP manual for Coordinators would be helpful to show how we should not dig and plant certain plants, despite the fact that it costs paper and printing dollars.

Anna Scott: LUMP Committee Chair. Speaking in support of a QR code on the back of the virtual and a link on website to the LUMP manual. Thank you for support.

Jon Pincus: Appreciates QR code on back of the manual. For internal encourages us to use link because some are still primitive in areas of technology.

Ann Bennet-Rogers: Supports what Lisa and Anna said. This is part of our stewardship. We talk about LUMP manual and environment past and present and it's part of our educational mission.

Board Discussion:

Jon Steinhart: Feels kind of bad but opposes the change to the Guideline. It's not really a guideline. It's bad for our environment to be printing things that are not guidelines. Unnecessary waste of paper.

John Alexander: Link could be made shorter but not going to propose an amendment about it. How Fair manages areas fits in with guidelines. EAB has used LUMP manual as framework in creating its plan, so it's very useful. Likes idea of Coordinators holding copies of it.

Arna: Agrees with putting it in guidelines; it's informational. Those are guidelines for how we deal with our land, like John A. said. It's just a paragraph, not that long. Supports including in guidelines.

Paxton: It's a paragraph and a link and it's valuable information for the rest of the Fair family. This saves trees in the long run.

Jon Steinhart moved to amend #40 to remove where it says more detailed information can be found in the OCF Land Management Plan with a link from the Guidelines if we are going to... Instead of having it listed twice, remove last sentence of Duff section (page 19 of the old Guidelines).

No second.

AJ moved and Jon Steinhart seconded to extend the meeting until 9:30.

Motion passed: 9-2; George and John Alexander opposed.

Arna called the question and AJ seconded.

Motion to call the question passed: 9-0-2; George and John Alexander abstained.

Motion to accept Guideline #7 passed: 10-1; Jon Steinhart opposed.

Guidelines Change #8

Name: Jill Carter

Fair Affiliation: Food Booth Committee/ Blazing Salads

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

84. County Regulations. By at least one week before the Fair, each food booth must apply for a temporary restaurant license from the Lane County Environmental Health Office. (Not necessary for licensed food carts or exempt menus.)

Show how the revised section is to read:

84. County Regulations. Each food booth must apply for a temporary restaurant license from the Lane County Environmental Health Office before Lane County's posted deadline. (Not necessary for licensed food carts or exempt menus.)

Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected?

Removing the note about being able to apply for a Temp Restaurant License only one week before Fair, encouraging people to apply earlier and/or find out what the current timeline is.

(YouTube video: 1:50:21)

Jon Steinhart moved and Sandra seconded to pass Guideline #9.

Jon moved to amend Guideline #9 as follows: County Regulations. All county regulations regarding food handling and service apply to OCF kitchens as well. Remove all unused food and chemicals from the site within one week after the end of our event. Main Camp Kitchen accepts donations of certain foodstuffs, at the Kitchen Crew's discretion. All food booths are required to be open **and serving their full menu at minimum from 11 am to 7 pm, Friday, Saturday, Sunday of Fair. Food sales may begin no earlier than noon Thursday before the event and must end by 1 pm Monday, after the event. Adding to or changing your menu during the Fair is not allowed.**

No second.

Guidelines Change #9

Name: Jill Carter

Fair Affiliation: Food Booth Committee/ Blazing Salads

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

84. County Regulations. Keep your menu simple and do not add menu items during the Fair. Remove all unused food and chemicals from the site within one week after the end of our event. Main Camp Kitchen accepts donations of certain foodstuffs, at the Kitchen Crew's discretion. All food booths are required to be open at minimum from 11 am to 7 pm, Friday, July 12, through Sunday, July 14. Food sales may begin no earlier than noon, Thursday, July 11, and must end by 1 pm, Monday, July 15. All county regulations regarding food handling and service apply to OCF kitchens as well.

Show how the revised section is to read:

84. County Regulations. All food booths are required to be open at minimum from 11 am to 7 pm, Friday, Saturday, Sunday of Fair. Food sales may begin no earlier than noon Thursday before the event and must end by 1 pm Monday, after the event. Adding to or changing your menu during the Fair is not allowed. All county regulations regarding food handling and service apply to OCF kitchens as well. Remove all unused food and chemicals from the site within one week after the end of our event. Main Camp Kitchen accepts donations of certain foodstuffs, at the Kitchen Crew's discretion.

Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected?

Removing the note about keeping menu simple and replacing with information about not being able to change menu during Fair. Rearranging the paragraph to better fit the updated content and changing the dates to be just relative days pre/post Fair instead of specific dates that need to be changed each year.

Member Input:

Lisa Cooley: On behalf of Refrigeration and Ice Coordinator, sometimes trucks are not in place in time for food booths to open. It's not always their fault or ours. Food booths need a little more leniency.

Board Discussion:

AJ: Opening could be managed by Food Committee. Maybe it doesn't need to be in this space.

Motion passed: 11-0.

Guidelines Change #10

Name: Jill Carter

Fair Affiliation: Food Booth Committee/ Blazing Salads

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

87. Food Carts. Strolling food vendors and food carts are reduced-size food booths that must have the ability to move when asked to do so. Typically, their menus are limited to accommodate food preparation in a small space. Food carts must be no larger than 4'x6'. Storage must extend no further than three feet behind the cart and must adhere to the aesthetic guidelines of the Food Committee. Strolling food vendors and food carts must follow the Health Department's sanitation guidelines. Cart placement must not interfere with traffic or visibility of booths. Fair operations will work to site carts that are not expected to move during public hours of the Fair.

All food carts must have a hand-washing station, as described in Section 90, unless serving exclusively prepackaged items in single servings, or granted an exception by the Food Committee. No food vendor is permitted to set up after the Fair has begun without prior approval from the Food Committee and site Staff.

Show how the revised section is to read:

87. Food Carts. Strolling food vendors and food carts are reduced-size food booths that must have the ability to move when asked to do so. Typically, their menus are limited to accommodate food preparation in a small space and cannot require on-site dishwashing. Food cart items served during or after-hours at the Fair must be approved by the Food Committee. Food carts must be no larger than 4'x6'. Storage must extend no further than three feet behind the cart and must adhere to the aesthetic guidelines of the Food Committee. Strolling food vendors and food carts must follow the Health Department's sanitation guidelines. Cart placement must not interfere with

traffic or visibility of booths. Fair operations will work to site carts that are not expected to move during public hours of the Fair.

All food carts must have a hand-washing station, (see section 90), unless serving exclusively prepackaged items in single servings, or granted an exception by the Food Committee. No food vendor is permitted to set up after the Fair has begun without prior approval from the Food Committee and site Staff.

Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected?

Adding in a note about not being allowed to serve food that requires dishwashing if you are a strolling cart, and clarifying that food served during AND after hours needs to be approved by Food Committee.

Guidelines Change #11

Name: Jill Carter

Fair Affiliation: Food Booth Committee/ Blazing Salads

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

88. Refrigeration. The OCF provides food vendors with refrigeration facilities to store perishable food products. The Refrigeration Crew will not accept items that do not need refrigeration to maintain quality or healthfulness. Food entering refrigeration facilities must be at or below 41°F and stored in stackable containers that will not collapse from weight stacked on top.

Show how the revised section is to read:

88. Refrigeration. The OCF provides food vendors with refrigeration facilities to store perishable food products. The Refrigeration Crew will not accept items that do not need refrigeration to maintain quality or healthfulness. Food entering refrigeration facilities must be at or below 41°F and stored in stackable containers that will not collapse from weight stacked on top. Food cannot be stored in the Fair's ice freezers.

Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected?

Adding a note that food cannot be stored in the Fair's Ice Freezers, this question gets asked a lot, so just making it clear it is not allowed.

(YouTube video: 1:54:51)

Jon Steinhart moved and Sandra seconded to pass Guideline #12.

Jon moved to amend: Food Issues. Only solar, battery and human powered electricity sources are permitted in booths or the parking lot. No amplified music is allowed that is audible outside of booths.

No second.

Guidelines Change #12.

Name: Jill Carter

Fair Affiliation: Food Booth Committee/ Blazing Salads

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

89. Food Issues. No electric-powered appliances are allowed. Blenders, if used, are to be powered by bicycle or some other form of appropriate technology. No generators or amplified music are allowed.

Show how the revised section is to read:

89. Food Issues. No combustion powered generators are allowed in booths or parking lot. No amplified music is allowed.

Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected?

With battery powered appliances becoming more available, we are wanting to clarify details around what is acceptable, and what type of generators are not allowed and where generators are not allowed.

Member Input:

Jon Pincus: Grid power might be appropriate in some areas.

Heather Kent: Seems like there must be some kind of back story. Why would parking lot come up?

Steven B.: Without amendment, it says Food Issues: No combustion generators are allowed in booths or parking lot. No amplified music is allowed. I think this is intended to address booths but it still has parking lot in it.

Lisa Cooley: You should remove "parking lot." A lot of people with food booths camp in Miss Piggy's and need to have generators to keep their stuff cool.

Sue: Medallion Row is where generator issues arose last year, giving a lot of food booths easy access to their rigs and quicker access off-site.

Board Discussion:

Arna: Was considering removing "parking lot", and noting generator issue that we already discussed because this is confusing. Not sure she wants to make that motion.

Jon Steinhart: If we were to change "parking lot" to "Medallion Row," would that address this issue? Would like our generator language to be consistent throughout the Guidelines.

Sue: That would clarify things.

Kirsten: I was going to ask if someone could change it to "Medallion Row."

AJ Moved and Jon S seconded to change parking lot to Medallion Row.

Member Input:

Lisa Cooley: Agrees with amendment.

Board Discussion:

Kevin: Curious about amplified music section. Wants folks to be able to listen to music in their booth. Is it a problem we are trying to solve?

Jon S.: Guideline #89: It has always said that amplified music is not allowed. Never understood how that was a food issue. Having talked to people, wanted to loosen that up a little bit since people do it anyway. Also fine not doing it, since it didn't come from Food Committee.

Steven: No music being allowed is status quo.

Paxton: Remove electrical appliance is part of the Guideline change and he agrees with that. Food booths are dealing with their own battery systems.

Motion to amend passed: 11-0.

Motion to approve #12 as amended passed: 11-0.

Guidelines Change #13

Name: Jill Carter

Fair Affiliation: Food Booth Committee/ Blazing Salads

Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2024 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove:

92. Food Booth Recycling. To meet the Fair's waste-free goals, the use of plastic and Styrofoam disposable service ware and utensils is strictly prohibited. All service ware and utensils, including cold and hot cup lids, straws, and coffee stirrers, must be compostable!

Show how the revised section is to read:

92. Food Booth Recycling. To meet the Fair's waste-free goals, the use of plastic and Styrofoam disposable service ware and utensils is strictly prohibited. All service ware and utensils, including cold and hot cup lids, straws, and coffee stirrers, must be compostable! Violations of this guideline can result in probation or expulsion of the booth from the Fair.

Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected?

Adding a note clarifying that failure to comply with recycling guidelines on service ware may result in probation.

Appoint Shirley Anderson to the Budget Committee (Sandra Bauer, George Braddock and AJ Jackson)

AJ moved and Arna seconded to appoint Shirley Anderson to the Budget Committee.

Member Input:

Hilary: Budget Committee members all endorse this nomination. Board has letters of support. Shirly has been attending the meetings for a couple of years now. Hopes Board will support this.

Shirley Anderson: Has been a part of the Fair for about 13 years and has been a part of the Camping Mediation team. Has been sitting in on the meetings for a couple of years and believes she can be helpful to the committee.

The motion passed: 11-0.

(YouTube video: 2:14:01)

Move G. Stephen "beaR" Pitts from appointed member of LUMP to a member by position of LUMP (Paxton Hoag, George Braddock and AJ Jackson)

Paxton moved and Sandra seconded to move G. Stephen "beaR" Pitts from appointed member of LUMP to a member by position of LUMP.

Member Input:

Anna Scott: In the letter that the LUMP Committee provided to the Board, it talked about how LUMP Committee voting members include our Board Appointed members and our members by position. Members by position are members appointed by the committee due to their expertise or appointed by the Executive Director due to their position in the organization. LUMP Committee guests, (those attending who are neither appointed by the BoD nor a member by position), are welcome and invited to participate in our discussion and announcement items. Supports this as Chair of LUMP Committee and hopes Board will support as well.

Heather Kent: Does this apply to all committees?

Paxton: No, this is LUMP specific.

Board Discussion:

Jon Steinhart: Doesn't understand point of this. LUMP is Board Committee and members are appointed by Board.

Paxton: beaR was appointed by the Board years ago. He's not so involved with the organization anymore, but we want his expertise. LUMP has a traditional way of doing things. As long as they follow Committee Best Practices.

Jon Steinhart moved and Arna seconded to extend the meeting to 9:45 pm.

Motion passed: 9-2; George and John Alexander opposed.

Anna Scott: Was hoping that the motion would read something about accepting beaR's resignation. It was protocol in the past for them to resign so their seat can be filled. Motion says what it says, but intention is that beaR wants to resign and stay active with his expertise.

Steven B.: Motion not needed to designate a member by position.

Anna: Needs Board to accept his resignation.

Steven B.: Asked the Board if they usually vote to accept resignations.

Board members: No.

Motion dismissed. G. Stephen “bear” Pitts has resigned as a Board appointed member on LUMP.

Appoint Glenn Johnson to the LUMP Committee (AJ Jackson, Paxton Hoag and George Braddock)

Paxton moved and Jon S. seconded to appoint Glenn Johnson to the LUMP Committee.

Motion passed: 11-0.

(YouTube video: 2:24:52)

Create an Online Voting Work Group of the Board and officers to research moving the Fair to online voting, and to make recommendations to the Board regarding the timeline, financial, legal, and other considerations to implement online elections. (John Govsky, Arna Shaw, Sandra Bauer, Anthony Jackson)

John Govsky moved and Jon Steinhart seconded to create an Online Voting Work Group of the Board and Officers to research moving the Fair to online voting, and to make recommendations to the Board regarding the timeline, financial, legal, and other considerations to implement online elections. The OVWG shall make its report to the Board no later than the March 2025 Board meeting.

Board Discussion:

Arna: This is a great idea. We’ve wanted to do it for a few years. John Govsky has done a ton of research and is ready to lead us.

Paxton: Has also done a lot of research on it and really wants to see us move towards online voting; looking forward to it.

The motion passed: 11-0.

Allow the Committee Best Practices Committee to make changes, as needed, to the annual reports questionnaire to improve and increase the information gathered for the Board. (Arna Shaw, Sandra Bauer and AJ Jackson)

Arna moved and Sandra seconded to allow the Committee Best Practices Committee to make changes, as needed, to the annual reports questionnaire to improve and increase the information gathered for the Board.

Arna: Annual report was new last year. After they did it, they discovered some minor tweaks that they want to make. Seems silly to have to have Board approve every little change. This is not the Best Practices manual, which will always come to the Board for changes. This is just the Annual Report Questionnaire.

Member Input:

Ann Bennet-Rogers: Concerned about this. Arna said small changes. Would these be optional? How does this relate to Article 7, section 5 of the Bylaws?

Aaron Kenton: This is a great idea. Has worked with Committee Best Practices since it started. Annual report is statistical info gathering. Info goes to the Board. This is great because there are minor things that Board shouldn't have to concern themselves with.

Board Discussion:

John Alexander: Assumes that you would bring the changes to the Board meetings as an announcement so membership and Board are aware of changes, so no need to amend.

Sandra: They would be in the Minutes.

John Alexander: Would like to see changes as more than just buried in the minutes. Would like to see the changes brought to the Board in front of the membership.

Arna: Yes, we could do that, and changes could be sent out to Committee Chairs as well.

Paxton: Opposes this motion. Suspects it can be abused. Would like to see changes come to the Board before changing the report. Concerned about processes that he's seen.

Arna: Paxton, you sometimes come to our Best Practices meetings, come to the next one please.

John Alexander: Would Paxton approve if membership and Board were informed specifically about any changes?

Jon Steinhart: Supports this. I don't think membership cares about what info is in a questionnaire. Doesn't have problem trusting Committee Best Practices to make changes.

Paxton: Unhappy with the way it's been working out.

The motion passed: 10-1; Paxton opposed.

New Business

(YouTube video: 2:35:24)

Move to redesignate the Board Peach Power Committee as an operational committee under the supervision of the Executive Director (Jon Steinhart, Sandra Bauer, Arna Shaw and AJ Jackson)

Move to redesignate the Board Path Planning Committee as an operational committee under the supervision of the Executive Director (Jon Steinhart, Sandra Bauer, Arna Shaw and AJ Jackson)

Rationale: The Board is in the process of completing the transition from an operations Board to a Governance Board. The Board has determined that these committees are primarily operational and therefore having them report to the management team will better serve the needs of the organization. All committees will continue to have Board liaisons.

Appoint Anna Gonzalez to the Jill Heiman Vision Fund (Arna Shaw, Sandra Bauer and AJ Jackson)

Meeting Evaluation

(YouTube video: 2:36:19)

Last round for the good of the peach.

John Alexander: As a result of calling the question quickly and working on a policy that the Board has never discussed before during New Business, we've just passed a policy that might place specific limitations and open the door to exceptions that might impact people. Thanks to Steven for guiding us through our word-smithing effort using Roberts Rules, the process we are limited to when discussing Old Business. And thanks also to Anna for tracking all of this as our scribe. This is the first time we as a Board have been able to discuss the proposed changes to our Guidelines. For this is the type of motion, and this kind of policy, we owe it to our membership to take more time to discuss it before it becomes Old Business. Appreciates everyone sticking with it and remaining cordial. Further concerned about the time they spent versus the time they would have spent having that conversation without the confines of Robert's Rules.

Steven B.: Board decided to end the discussion, not Robert's Rules of Order.

Heather Kent: Why isn't the meeting about Guidelines a separate meeting or scheduled to go until 10 pm? It almost always goes over and has wondered this for many years.

Special Board Meeting: 2025 Budget – Monday, January 27, 2025, 7 pm via Zoom

Next Board Meeting – February 3, 7 pm via Zoom

President's Peace

AJ: Love you and good night.

