

## **Path Planning Meeting Minutes 9/14/2025**

2nd Annual Path Planning Retreat 9/13-9/14 Sat 2pm - Sun 3pm

Saturday 9/13: 2 pm Main Camp Meet Up and walk to the site to talk about OCF 2025

Potluck and Camp out following at Alice's

Members in attendance: Kirk ( Co- chair ) , Sue , Jon, Ann, Sylvia, Paxton Hoag , Dean (acting Co-Chair )

Members excused: Amy, Corey

Staff : Kirsten

Guests : Amber Coates ( task force) Aleta Miller

Announcements/ Public Comments : KOCF is in process of appointing a volunteer station manager.

Ann thanks all for attending the walk the day before. Jon apologized for stating not everything may be accessible in an outdoor setting ( referencing booth A18 ) where, as a public service, this is incorrect. Public services, including retail, should be wheelchair accessible.

Kirk- Commends the OPB program in June , says it captured the Fair in a great way.

Minutes review: May 18th, 2025 . Correct Sue's last name misspelling. Minutes accepted as amended (Dean moves/ Ann seconds) Passed .

JG note: Chairs review and are welcome to omit any info from minutes not for circulation.

Agenda review – Kirk reviews the agenda, and it is passed.

### **Reports**

Staff – Kirsten Reports: EAB task force is holding a work session with the BOD Nov 17 at 7 pm; they are making great progress .

Financial Planning is scheduled to meet with the Budget Committee on Oct 1<sup>st</sup> to discuss 2026 revenue projections. Budget Committee officially convenes Oct 15, meeting every Wednesday until complete. Jan 2026, the budget will be finalized. Capital improvement projects will be approved at the March BoD meeting. Early applications are always accepted.

Guideline revisions start Nov 15 on .net site, with approved changes finalized at December Board meeting .

Financially, the Fair did well this year, while it was down from 2024 . Event itself off by 30k. Total annual revenue up 90k. Net income: it is too early to say.

Expenses were well planned. Politics Park pots being pumped and deep cleaned soon.

Budget freeze is likely. Cap improvements will be considered while carry over from 2025 will bump new projects. There are over 1 mil in carryover approvals with 5 years to complete.

Manufactured home is at the winery now and just weeks away from use. Kirsten is having weekly Friday meetings with staff to keep up maintenance on properties.

Site clean-up and winterization efforts are underway. A discussion on flagging was had and how to make it more environmental.

Event manager is leaving and will be missed; the job is currently posted. Hire to take place January.

Board Liaisons – Paxton reports elections are coming up with a new online system. You must be registered to get a ballot. Annual meeting is Oct 11, and the ballots are due on 18<sup>th</sup>.

Mail-in ballots must be requested by Oct 4<sup>th</sup>.

Food Committee: Sue requests Red Tag to give information on what is needed. Kirk responds that Red Tags are to alert there are issues and to contact construction. The Food Committee will retreat in 2 weeks, then make a call out for new booths; 2 known spaces to fill. Dec – January to review booths. Final selection February.

Craft Committee: Registration has not been able to fill either BIPOC or Native Crafter areas with Juried crafters. Management allowed flexibility in the Jury process to encourage crafters into this space. The committee requests they are informed of such changes in the future. All agree that diverse craft offerings are essential.

Cultural Arts submission process classification is under discussion for flexibility.

Kirk reads Marcy's letter. Expressing another successful year with 6 groups of crafters. Will be working with crafters to help them ready applications for 2026. Stating increased foot traffic created need for greater dust abatement in their space.

Construction : Kirk speaks for construction; too much detritus in general was left behind some booths, causing a problem for construction crews. They will begin implementing fines as the only known solution. Sue offers that a list can go to Food/ Craft committee, and they will begin placing booths on probation.

#### SITE WALK DEBRIEF

Kirk first brought up the well, at the warehouse which is shallow at only 60 feet . Now that the old water tower is being taken down, it creates access to this existing well and an opportunity to drill deeper.

A discussion was held on the repairs needed on current water system, and the potential of a Capitol Project to increase water capacity.

A plan to increase tank capacity for bringing water in is underway . The Sauna is a major drain on an existing well. A general overview was had on existing wells and capacity.

Kistin shares that 300 k gallons of water was put on the roads for dust abatement this year. Creating a significant challenge . Eco road surfacing is being investigated. Water use is unsustainable given how big of a problem the dust still is. Something must be done about the dust to conserve this amount of water. It is simply not effective .

Processing grey water was a previous project that can be used on roads, states Paxton who encourages a re-examined look at the existing proposal. Paxton will work on this with LUMP.

Dean proposes to restart the Dust Subcommittee; Kirsten fully supports this effort stating, all hands on deck' .

Ann states LUMP is essential to Dust Abatement efforts.

Next meeting will delve into this topic, and the subcommittee will reconvene.

Now onto the Site Walk.....

Xavanadu is where the walking group began, then moving into ChelaMela

Windgate restructuring was a success. The Oasis loft was also a win. Hidey-Hole loft in visionary Lounge can be redesigned to make more seating. Continued maps of busker areas and art placements is still a need for 2026. Work groups can align on this effort.

Hillary accompanied the group into Chela Mela. Morning Wood fences will be adjusted. Monkey palace was yet another success, while the Hoarse Chorrle needs some more work. Dave will come up with a plan to adjust. New info booth L45 was stunning and well received.

Booth L37 is overgrown. This may be turned into a seating area to improve the intersection for a rest spot.

Jill's crossing may be suited for more seating.

Elders' Still Living Room has room to adjust fencing.

Booth 818 may become available . The path there by 823 can also be widened. Booth 848 and 850 path is 8 ft. Path Planning to work with Vegemanics to widen this pinch spot.

The group circled to Main Stage where the smoking area was improved. The new gate was working better and the handwashing station had better visibility. Mixed reviews on the ATM placement due to sound of ATMs beeping near camping. More info needed if sound is constant or just when in use, can speaker be disabled.

David Tipton would like to increase shade cloths without obstructing views around Main Stage.

The group then walked down E 13<sup>th</sup> ; plaza entry , where a dining area was created and is now overgrown to conclude their site walk. Aleta has detailed notes to share as well.

Harvest theme for next month's potluck at **DUGs** October and Online from Noon - 3:00

Meeting Adjourned