

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Baker County Fair Board
February 6, 2002

Attendees: Chuck Buchanan, John Leonard, Nellie Forrester, Curt Jacobs, Dean Defrees, Allen Hack, Mark Bennett, Jerry Herbes, Dick Herbes, Robert Borgen, Paul Grove, Michelle Kaseberg, Colin Kaseberg, Rob Ellingson.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM.

Dean and Rob have staked some dimensions of buildings over by the old Armory. The drawing we have shows two new 60'x160' livestock barns, with the current beef barn between them. After discussion, it was decided that 50'x150' would probably be big enough. We would like to have one barn with a full concrete floor, and one with dirt floor. The beef barn would have an extension added on to each side. These extensions would be 20' wide, and have concrete floors.

The plan at this time is for the extension office and fair office to move into the old Armory building sometime in the future.

Rob will go to Doug Macy to get a plan to use to put together a bid package.

Dean moved that we demolish the whole Community Center building at one time, rather than half at a time. Rob seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Some people feel that we should only take down the Beef Arena end of the building at the present time, then the rest later. Mark Bennett feels that the county would make up some or all of our lost revenue from the building. We would probably be asking for \$2500.

It is felt that there would be enough room for the open class exhibits in the Armory, with possible spillover in the Extension building for this years fair.

A vote was taken. The motion passed with one nay vote and one abstention.

The demolition derby will have to pay to use the rodeo arena this year. We will charge them 10% of the gate.

We did get our lottery money from the state.

The church group has moved to the small room, and are asking for a decrease in their rent. After discussion, it was decided to lower their rent to \$100 per month.

Chuck moved, Rob seconded, that we reimburse Nellie for fair convention expenses. She put the hotel rooms on her credit card. The motion passed unanimously.

Nellie moved, John seconded, that we pay the bills. Passed unanimously.

Executive session was called at 7:55 PM.

A letter has been written to the Leo Adler Foundation regarding building several smaller buildings instead of a pavilion. We don't know if this will violate the terms of the grant, and would like to find out.

We have several applications for the fair manager position.

The possibility exists that we could get the half time person from the extension office. Discussion ensued.

Dean is going to work on the budget for this year.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM. The next meeting will be Wednesday,
March 6, 2002 at 7 PM.

Submitted by
Chuck Buchanan, Secretary
Baker County Fair Board