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# **Oregon State Fair Council Meeting Notice & Agenda**

## **Thursday, November 20, at 1:30 P.M.**

State Fair & Expo Center  
2330 17<sup>th</sup> Street NE Salem, OR 97301

**This meeting will be conducted in person & Virtual/Zoom.**

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/zT3WSso-RhCmReLzf06S-g>

Meeting ID # 8872 5036 9200  
Passcode# 689864

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### Agenda

1:30 P.M. – Public Session

- **Call to Order**
- **Roll Call**
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Minutes:**
  - Council Meeting of July 17, 2025 – *motion needed*
  - Special Council Meeting of September 3, 2025 – *motion needed*
- **Reports:**
  - Council Chair Report – Loyal Burns
  - CEO Report – Kim Grewé-Powell
    - Oregon State Fair Recap Report
    - Financial Statements 1/1/2025-10/31/2025 – *motion needed*
    - Bradley Bingenheimer, Partner, Assurance & Advisory – 2024 Audit Report
- **Public Comments:**
- **Committee Report:**
  - Executive Committee
  - Governmental Affairs Committee
  - Nominating Committee
- **Old Business:**
  - Create a committee to work on the bylaws and CEO review.
- **Adjourn**



## **Oregon State Fair Council Meeting-November 20, 2025**

Agenda Item: (For Action) Council

Meeting Minutes of July 17, 2025



## Minutes of the Oregon State Fair Council Regular Meeting

July 17, 2025

Virtual/Zoom Meeting

Audio Recorded: Yes

- **Call to Order:** The meeting convened at 1:32 P.M. with Chair Burns presiding.
- **Roll Call:** The attendance, via Zoom, was recorded as shown below:

### Present:

Loyal Burns, Chair  
Joel Conder, Vice Chair  
Shane Matthews, Council Member  
Soraida Cross, Council Member  
Tami Kerr, Council Member  
Lucy Escobar, Council Member  
Travis Smith, Council Member  
Arnie Roblan, Council Member  
Kim Grewé-Powell, Director/CEO

### Non-Present:

Geoff Hinds, Council Member  
Representative Paul Evans Advisor Council Member

### Other-Present:

Jean Wheat-Palm, CFO and Director of Human Resources  
Deborah Hall, Accounts Payable & Office Lead

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

- **Approval of Minutes:**

Chair Loyal Burns gave the Council time to review the minutes from the May 15, 2025, Council Meeting. Chair Burns asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Hearing none, Council Member Arnie Roblan motioned to approve the minutes, and seconded by Vice Chair Joel Conder to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

- **Reports:**

**Council Chair's Report:** Chair Burns introduced the new Council Members: Lucy Escobar, Council Member, Shane Matthews, Council Member, and Tami Kerr, Council Member.

Chair Burns proposed increasing the amount the CEO is authorized to sign for on Oregon State Fair Council business checks.

- Arnie Roblan made a motion, and Tami Kerr seconded the motion to Amend the "Director/CEO Delegated Authorities" (approved by the Council 11/20/14 and last amended 1/25/18) under banking to read:

**Execute payments of any authorized expenditure of funds directly from any established Oregon State Fair Council Investment or Bank Account in any amount identified in contractual agreements and/or approved budget. Any amount over \$50,000.00 not identified in contractual agreements and/or approved budget will require a second Chair or Co-Chair signature. Motion passed unanimously.**

- **CEO Report:** CEO Kim Grewe-Powell presented a Facility Improvements PowerPoint slideshow. She stated that the Operations department has been very hard at work. OSFEC has improved the look of the grounds, and increased safety while staying in budget. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July went well and OSFEC had approximately 25,000 attendees. OSFEC was provided \$855k for upgrades related to being a “regional evacuation center” in Governor Kotek’s budget. OSFEC is thankful for the monies received.

OSFEC is gearing up for the 2025 Oregon State Fair. There will be a lot of new programming to offer this year, including 11 nights of big-name entertainment. The layout will be much larger than in the past, with themed shopping areas. Motor Mania shows will run throughout the Fair in the Pavilion.

- **Financials:** CEO Kim Grewe-Powell stated that Assets, Liabilities, & Equity are in balance at \$12,710,266.00. OSFEC’s total income as of June 30, 2025, is \$2.2 million and total expenses are at \$2.3 million. OSFEC’s income is in the negative at \$156,613.92. This is typical for this time of year. OSFEC will continually see shifts until after the signature events are accounted for.

Chair Loyal Burns asked if there were any questions regarding the financial statements that were presented to the Council. Hearing none, Vice Chair Joel Conder moved to accept the financials and was seconded by Council Member Soraida Cross. The motion carried unanimously.

- **Fair Foundation Report:** None
- **Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items:** None
- **Committee Reports:**
  - **Executive Committee:** None
  - **Governmental Affairs Committee:** None
  - **Nominating Committee:** None
- **Adjourn:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:13 P.M.



## Oregon State Fair Council Special Meeting Notice & Agenda

**Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, at 1:30 P.M.**

State Fair & Expo Center

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**The meeting will be conducted solely through Zoom.**

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### **Agenda**

#### **1:30 pm – Public Session**

- **Call to Order**
- **Roll Call**
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Executive Session** The Oregon State Fair Council will now meet in executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660[ 2] [h] which allows the Council to meet in executive session to receive legal counsel regarding current litigation. Representatives of the news media and designated staff shall be allowed to attend the executive session as long as they are not a party to the litigation. All other members of the audience are asked to leave the room or will be placed in the Zoom waiting room during the Executive Session. Representatives of the news media are specifically directed not to report on or otherwise disclose any of the deliberations or anything said about these subjects during the executive session, except to state the general subject of the session as previously announced. No decision may be made in executive session. At the end of the executive session, we will return to open session and welcome the audience back into the room or Zoom room once the Executive Session has concluded.
- **Public Comments:**
- **Adjourn**



## Minutes of the Oregon State Fair Council Special Meeting Meeting

September 3rd , 2025

Zoom

Audio Recorded: Yes

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- **Call to Order:** The meeting Convened at 1:31 PM with Chair Burns presiding.
- **Roll Call:** The attendance, was recorded as shown below:

**Present:**

Loyal Burns, Chair  
Joel Conder, Vice Chair  
Soraida Cross, Council Member  
Geoff Hinds, Council Member  
Shane Matthews, Council Member  
Tami Kerr, Council Member  
Lucy Escobar, Council Member  
Travis Smith, Council Member  
Arnie Roblan, Council Member

Kim Grewe-Powell, Director/CEO

**Non-Present:**

**Other-Present:**

Jean Wheat-Palm, CFO/Director of Human Recourse  
Maddie Kansky, Administrative Assistant  
Christy Monson, Council to the Oregon State Fair  
Council  
Tracy White, Senior Assistant Attorney General at  
Oregon Department of Justice  
Rachel Alexander, Salem Reporter

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

- The Oregon State Fair Council will now meet in executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(i) 1. The Council met in Executive Session to discuss litigation that has been filed against the organization pertaining to Public Meeting Law, as well as potential litigation that may be filed in the future. 2. To discuss whether to delegate authority to Kim Grewe-Powell, Director/CEO, to work with legal counsel and representatives of the opposing party to seek a mutually acceptable resolution. Representatives of the news media and designated staff shall be allowed to attend the executive session. All other members of the audience will be placed in a Zoom waiting room. Representatives of the news media are specifically directed not to report on or otherwise disclose any of the deliberations or anything said about these subjects during the executive session, except to state the general subject of the session as previously announced. No decision may be made in executive session. The meeting convened at 2:22 pm.

- Meeting reconvened to regular session at 2:23 pm. Vice Chair Conder proposed delegating authority to Director/CEO the authority to work with attorneys to negotiate on current litigation.
  - **Arnie Roblan made a friendly amendment to allow for the Director/CEO to negotiate on current litigation and any future litigation, and Soraida Cross seconded the motion. Chair Burns repeated the motion of delegating the authority for the Director/CEO to work with attorneys to negotiate a resolution to current litigation and any future litigations. Motion passed unanimously.**
- **Adjourn:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:43pm.

**Oregon State Fair Council**  
**Profit & Loss - Total**  
**January through October 2025**

11/14/25  
Accrual Basis

	Jan - Oct 25
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
Scare at the Fair Revenue	27,119.13
Holiday Village Revenue	20,908.55
July Spectacular Revenue	217,860.30
Administration Revenue	327,105.33
Operations Revenue	42,640.00
Expo Center Revenue	1,293,677.44
State Fair Revenue	8,203,210.36
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>10,132,521.11</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>10,132,521.11</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
Signature Events	294,342.10
Salaries & Wages - Permanent	749,066.55
Contracted Labor - PT/Snl/Temp	153,502.88
Employee Benefits - ER Exp	129,631.05
Payroll Tax - Employer's Share	84,267.82
Professional Services Exp.	358,308.93
Council Expense	126.67
Travel/Training	24,685.11
Supplies & Expenses	77,932.16
Dues and Subscriptions	4,234.90
Insurance	153,960.00
Utilities-Elec, Gas, Water, Trash	889,852.08
Maint. and Repairs of Equipment	28,332.31
Maint. of Buildings and Grounds	479,550.16
Special Repairs & Maint.	1,211.00
Marketing Expenses	34,651.61
Vehicle Expenses	13,860.36
Bank Fees	137,923.23
Equipment Purchase <\$5k	13,187.20
Permits, Licenses	3,891.62
State Fair Administrative Exp.	49,577.74
State Fair Marketing Expenses	725,314.56
State Fair Operations Expenses	2,044,857.31

**Oregon State Fair Council  
Profit & Loss - Total  
January through October 2025**

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	<b>Jan - Oct 25</b>
State Fair Attractions Expenses	2,461,117.09
State Fair Exhibits Expenses	724,942.34
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>9,638,326.78</b>
Net Ordinary Income	494,194.33
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Other Income	528,399.13
90400 · Bond Project	45,035.19
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>573,434.32</b>
Other Expense	
Special Projects Expense	167,386.02
90700 · Bond Project Exp	3,934.64
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	<b>171,320.66</b>
Net Other Income	402,113.66
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>896,307.99</b>

**Oregon State Fair Council****Balance Sheet**

As of October 31, 2025

11/14/25  
Accrual Basis**Oct 31, 25****ASSETS****Current Assets****Checking/Savings**

10120 · USB - Operating Acct - 5013	711,525.91
10121 · USB - Payroll Acct - 3265	23,311.30
10122 · USB - Premium Acct - 5021	1,317.00
10127 · USB - Fair Admission -5088	791,334.32
10128 · USB - Office Expo - 5104	264,666.23
10129 · USB - Show Works - 5120	40,522.74
10130 · USB - Camp Ground - 5138	122.50
10131 · USB - Office FAIR - 5112	671,239.02
10150 · Petty Cash Box - Fair	430.69
10200 · State Treasury Fund Account	8,691,794.45

Total Checking/Savings **11,196,264.16****Accounts Receivable**11000 · Accounts Receivable **380,484.08**Total Accounts Receivable **380,484.08****Other Current Assets**

12004 · Prepaid Rent	500.00
12005 · Prepaid FCC 10 Yr License	490.00
13000 · Prepaid Contracts	-11,121.88

Total Other Current Assets **-10,131.88**Total Current Assets **11,566,616.36****Other Assets**19000 · Capital Investments- SF Council **1,611,629.48**Total Other Assets **1,611,629.48****TOTAL ASSETS** **13,178,245.84****LIABILITIES & EQUITY****Liabilities**

Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	687.96
Credit Cards	10,766.46
Other Current Liabilities	428,511.49
Total Current Liabilities	439,965.91
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**Equity**

25000 · State Parks Opening Bal	3,014,804.40
25020 · State Biennium Fund 2015-2017	1,015,299.00
32000 · Retained Earnings	8,058,677.52
32001 · Ret Earn - Facility Assess Cost	-254,738.00
32050 · Restricted Net Position	7,929.02
Net Income	896,307.99

Total Equity **12,738,279.93****TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY** **13,178,245.84**

**Oregon State Fair Council**  
**Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual**  
January through December 2025

11/14/25  
Accrual Basis

	Jan - Dec 25	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
Scare at the Fair Revenue	27,119.13	25,000.00	2,119.13	108.5%
Holiday Village Revenue	20,908.55	33,000.00	-12,091.45	63.4%
July Spectacular Revenue	217,860.30	278,500.00	-60,639.70	78.2%
Administration Revenue	327,105.33	418,500.00	-91,394.67	78.2%
Operations Revenue	42,640.00	51,168.00	-8,528.00	83.3%
Expo Center Revenue	1,344,358.17	1,753,000.00	-408,641.83	76.7%
State Fair Revenue	8,203,210.36	8,980,950.00	-777,739.64	91.3%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>10,183,201.84</b>	<b>11,540,118.00</b>	<b>-1,356,916.16</b>	<b>88.2%</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>10,183,201.84</b>	<b>11,540,118.00</b>	<b>-1,356,916.16</b>	<b>88.2%</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
<b>Signature Events</b>				
Signature Events	297,826.73	244,500.00	53,326.73	121.8%
Salaries & Wages - Permanent	749,066.55	1,014,445.00	-265,378.45	73.8%
Contracted Labor - PT/Snl/Te...	165,654.88	132,000.00	33,654.88	125.5%
Employee Benefits - ER Exp	129,631.05	169,767.24	-40,136.19	76.4%
Payroll Tax - Employer's Share	84,267.82	87,000.00	-2,732.18	96.9%
Professional Services Exp.	378,653.09	377,500.00	1,153.09	100.3%
<b>Council Expense</b>	<b>126.67</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>-373.33</b>	<b>25.3%</b>
Travel/Training	24,884.61	35,150.00	-10,265.39	70.8%
Supplies & Expenses	81,117.95	107,000.00	-25,882.05	75.8%
Dues and Subscriptions	4,234.90	5,500.00	-1,265.10	77.0%
Insurance	153,960.00	150,000.00	3,960.00	102.6%
Utilities-Elec, Gas, Water, Trash	974,777.19	1,003,500.00	-28,722.81	97.1%
Maint. and Repairs of Equip...	28,631.51	50,000.00	-21,368.49	57.3%
Maint. of Buildings and Grou...	513,057.02	917,800.00	-404,742.98	55.9%
Special Repairs & Maint.	1,211.00	3,500.00	-2,289.00	34.6%
Marketing Expenses	34,881.61	53,500.00	-18,618.39	65.2%
Vehicle Expenses	15,870.82	17,500.00	-1,629.18	90.7%
Bank Fees	138,324.05	136,500.00	1,824.05	101.3%
Doubtful Debt Expense	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
Equipment Purchase <\$5k	13,187.20	20,000.00	-6,812.80	65.9%
Permits, Licenses	3,891.62	1,500.00	2,391.62	259.4%
State Fair Administrative Exp.	49,577.75	48,275.00	1,302.75	102.7%
State Fair Marketing Expenses	725,372.56	902,000.00	-176,627.44	80.4%

**Oregon State Fair Council**  
**Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual**  
**January through December 2025**

	Jan - Dec 25	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
<b>State Fair Operations Expen...</b>	2,050,615.46	1,981,550.00	69,065.46	103.5%
<b>State Fair Attractions Expen...</b>	2,461,117.10	2,562,220.00	-101,102.90	96.1%
<b>State Fair Exhibits Expenses</b>	732,612.26	782,750.00	-50,137.74	93.6%
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>9,812,551.40</b>	<b>10,804,457.24</b>	<b>-991,905.84</b>	<b>90.8%</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>370,650.44</b>	<b>735,660.76</b>	<b>-365,010.32</b>	<b>50.4%</b>
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Other Income</b>				
<b>Other Income</b>	532,462.24	575,000.00	-42,537.76	92.6%
<b>Special Projects Income</b>	0.00	37,513.33	-37,513.33	0.0%
<b>90400 · Bond Project</b>	45,035.19	9,600.00	35,435.19	469.1%
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>577,497.43</b>	<b>622,113.33</b>	<b>-44,615.90</b>	<b>92.8%</b>
<b>Other Expense</b>				
<b>Special Projects Expense</b>	175,569.04	524,600.00	-349,030.96	33.5%
<b>90700 · Bond Project Exp</b>	3,934.64			
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	<b>179,503.68</b>	<b>524,600.00</b>	<b>-345,096.32</b>	<b>34.2%</b>
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>397,993.75</b>	<b>97,513.33</b>	<b>300,480.42</b>	<b>408.1%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>768,644.19</b>	<b>833,174.09</b>	<b>-64,529.90</b>	<b>92.3%</b>