



Minutes of the Oregon State Fair Council Regular Meeting

December 17, 2015

Oregon State Fair & Exposition Center – Cascade Hall-McKenzie Room

Audio Recorded: Yes

I. **Call to Order:** The meeting convened at 1:30 p.m. with Chair Gene Derfler presiding.

II. **Roll Call:** The attendance, both in person and by phone, was recorded as shown below:

Present:

Gene Derfler, Chair
Craig Smith, Vice Chair
Vicki Berger, Council Member
Loyal Burns, Council Member
Kevin Cameron, Council Member
Jon Chandler, Council Member
George Jennings, Council Member
Austin McGuigan, Council Member
Rep. Mike Nearman, Advisory Council Member
Leah Perkins-Hagele, Council Member
Anna Peterson, Council Member
Steve Powers, Advisory Council Member
Kerry Tymchuk, Council Member
Mike Paluszak, CEO

Non-Present:

Sen. Arnie Roblan, Advisory Council Member

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

IV. **Presentations: None**

V. **Approval of Minutes:** Chair Derfler asked if there were any changes or corrections to the minutes presented for approval. Hearing none, the Full Council Meeting Minutes of 10/22/15 were unanimously approved as presented.

VI. **Public Comment on Agenda Items: None**

VII. **Council Chair's Report: None**

VIII. **CEO's Report:** Mr. Paluszak gave a brief report regarding the 12/11/15 Study Session. The Council gave direction on what they would like to see from Mr. Paluszak in terms of the categories of goals and objectives, and methods to track and measure progress of accomplishing them. Mr. Paluszak plans to present those goals in January, followed by a budget in February.

IX. **Information Items: None**

X. **Action Items**

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a. **Financial Statement 1/1/15 – 11/30/15:** It was moved by Vice Chair Smith and seconded by Council Member Chandler to accept the financial statement as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Committee Reports and Action Theron

i. Ad Hoc Auditor Screening Committee: Requests for proposals were sent out to three firms for auditor services, however only one firm submitted a proposal. Based on the proposal and past experiences working with this firm by members of the Committee, the Committee recommended that the Council retain Boldt Carlisle + Smith as our independent auditors. Motion was carried by Council Member Jennings and seconded by Council Member Chandler to retain Boldt Carlisle + Smith as our independent auditors.

ii. Executive Committee: Vice Chair Smith explained that due to a drafting error in Mr. Paluszak's employment agreement regarding the deferred compensation, the Council contribution should be 6% not the 3% that is stated. Following discussion it was moved by Council Member Burns and seconded by Council Member Berger to approve modification of the terms of the agreement as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

iii. Nominating Committee: The Committee nominations for Council Officers for 2016 are Craig Smith as Chair, and Jon Chandler as Vice Chair. There being no further nominations from the floor, it was moved by Council Member Cameron and seconded by Council Member Berger to accept the recommendations by the Nominating Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

XI. Council Members' Comments:

Vice Chair Smith took a moment to thank everyone for allowing him to step in as the new Chair and also commented that Chair Derfler will now become part of the Executive Committee.

XIII. Adjourn: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Meeting Materials:

Agenda

Financial Statement 1/1/15-11/30/15