



MINUTES OF THE

Lincoln County Fair Board

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REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 8, 2026, AT 3:30 PM

**This meeting was audio and video recorded and a link is available at
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I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Robert called the meeting to order at 3:41 p.m. Fair Manager Tower and members of the Board gave a tribute to the late Commissioner Claire Hall and acknowledged her contributions to the Fair and the Fair Board. A moment of silence was held in Commissioner Hall's honor.

II. ROLL CALL - ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Chair Robert, Vice Chair Butterfield, Fair Manager Tower, and Irma Jimenez attended the meeting in person. Todd Williver and Andrea Summerlin appeared virtually. A quorum was established.

III. DECISION/ACTION

A. Election of Officers

Vice Chair Butterfield nominated Colleen Robert as Chair for the 2026 calendar year. Andrea Summerlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Andrea Summerlin nominated Todd Butterfield for Vice Chair for the 2026 calendar year. Chair Robert seconded the motion. The motion carried.

B. Lincoln County Fair Board Meeting Minutes 11.13.2025

Andrea Summerlin moved to approve the minutes of November 11, 2025. Irma Jimenez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT (please limit comments to no more than 3 minutes)

V. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION (Note the Board could act on the following topics)

A. Fair Board Meeting Times for 2026

This topic was tabled until the February meeting.

VI. REPORTS - STAFF & PARTNER

Fair Manager Tower reported that she and Chair Robert will be attending a kickoff meeting with DPM Co. on Friday, January 9, regarding the redevelopment of the Commons. They will report to the board at the next meeting.

In regard to planning for the fair, Fair Manager Tower reported that she wants to hold as many of the events as possible near the Commons, although the rodeo may have to take place at the Chinook Winds casino again. She further reported that the 4-H Christmas tree fundraiser lasted four weeks and was very successful. She stated that the 4-H club would like to extend their appreciation for use of the barn and grounds.

Chair Robert gave a brief report that she is in discussions with T-mobile regarding possible involvement in the fair. She is also looking into the possibility of a table for Oregon authors on site.

VII. ADJOURN

Vice Chair Butterfield moved to adjourn the meeting. Irma Jimenez seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 3:55.

VIII. OTHER SCHEDULED MEETINGS AND APPOINTMENTS OF THE BOARD