

**MINUTES OF THE regular MEETING FOR
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
EL DORADO COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION, INC
Wednesday, December 2, 2020, 4:00 pm**

In order to ensure compliance with federal and state guidance regarding large gatherings and in accordance with State of California Executive Order N-29-20, to provide the public with the opportunity to provide comments to the Board, the Board provided a call-in number or Join with Zoom.

PRESENT: Whitaker, Carter, Denton, Knight, , McGuire, Hunt, Kobervig, Bradley, Knight, Forni-Feathers
EXCUSED: Witherow
ABSENT:
MANAGER: Jody W. Gray
OTHERS: Kathy Dunkak

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Record Verification of Legal Meeting Notice:

Gray authenticated the verification.

QUORUM REQUIREMENTS MET:

Gray determined that the requirements for a quorum were met.

II. APPROVE AGENDA

Bradley moved that the agenda be approved; Forni- Feathers seconded; motion carried to approve.

III. APPROVE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 2020 REGULAR MEETING:

Denton moved that the minutes be approved; Davis seconded; motion carried to approve.

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

None

V. CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from CDFA stating the training allocation being lumped in to the base allocation has been rescinded. We have \$1832 to spend on training in 2021.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Acknowledgment of Contracts entered in November 2020.

Bradley moved that the Contracts be acknowledged, Kobervig seconded; motion carried to approve.

B. COVID-19, Governors Orders and the Fairgrounds. No change.

C. Crab Feed Update

Crab feed was a great success, our net profit was \$6,789. People were excited and very happy with the quality and quantity of food

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Recommendation to Approve SB1499 20/21 Agreement. The approximate amount we will receive, which is left over from 2019, is \$66,410.00. Forni-Feathers moved to approve; Whitaker seconded; motion carried to approve.

B. Recommendation to approve 2021 Budgets (with Fair and half a year with events and without Fair and Events). The Budgets presented were: First six months in COVID Closures, Fair in June and most interim events returning 2nd half of the year, and an entire year with almost no events and no annual fair. An alternative was discussed during Finance

budget meeting, which included having no events the first half of the year, Fair & Blast at 25% capacity. That budget showed the greatest loss and would essentially shut the fairgrounds down, that budget was not presented. Denton moved to approve both budgets, with the right to review in 3-4 months as things change; Bradley seconded; motion carried to approve.

- C. Approve 2021 Board Meeting dates, possibly cancel Annual Meeting (no election year). Meeting dates proposed are: January 6, February 3, March 3, April 7, May 5, June 17 (opening day of fair), August 11, September 1, October 6 and December 1. If gatherings are allowed, meetings will return to 5:30pm in person, remain at 4:00pm via Zoom. It was suggested that Association Members are welcome to join our meetings, with no election no Annual Meeting in 2021 will be held. Forni-Feathers moved the dates be approved; Bradley seconded; motion carried to approve.

VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT

- A. Approval of Expenditures for November, 2020.

Davis moved that the Expenditures for November 2020 be approved, Denton seconded; motion carried to approve.

- B. Latest Budget Projection for 2020

IX. MANAGER'S REPORT

- We applied for a grant with Women's Fund to pay for the 4H & FFA Livestock awards.
- Asked Whitaker to appoint a nominating committee for 2021 officers. Nominating committee will be Whitaker, Carter and Davis.
- Gray still waiting for IRS to update their website showing our 501 (c)3 status. Phone calls to agency indicate they have all documents and know we are a 501 (c)3 – just waiting for website to be updated.
- Staff is working on a 2021 entry guide, Livestock & Still exhibits will still be able to compete whether there is a fair or not.
- RV Park is almost complete – hoping to reach completion so that it may be used during our upcoming holiday closure.
- The water feasibility study is almost complete. The recommendations in place are for Fair Lane Shopping Center to correct their issues and drainage violations; Cal Trans to correct their issues, a new detention pond needs to be built (up in 4H camping, below the county facilities office). Exploring installing green infrastructure underneath the Main and Back lawn to help hold water. They are seeking grants, as there are many available.
- Presented Mike Denton with 4 personally engraved glasses for his 20 years of service.

X. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Carter:

Good job to staff on the crab feed. Thank you to Mike Denton for his service and congratulations.

Denton:

20 years ago, it all started at the race track. Over the years he has met a lot of people that he has enjoyed knowing and working with. He has no doubt the fairgrounds will continue to be great. It's been a great 20 years.

Whitaker:

Thanked Jody for her work on the budget. Thanked Mike Denton for his years of service. He believes we will make it through these shut downs with everyone pulling together.

McGuire: Pass.

Hunt: He was amazed at all of the cattle trailers he saw while working at our Crab Feed. He attended the cattle show the next day and was pleased to hear so many people loving our grounds and commenting on how clean it is.

Davis: Thanked the budget committee for their work in reviewing the different budgets. He was sorry he missed the crab feed. Thanked Mike for the pink pigs on his trailer a few years ago.

Bradley: His neighbor said our crab feed was outstanding.

Knight: Pass

Forni-Feathers: Pleasantly surprised while working at the crab feed – everything was very organized and staff did an excellent job. She saw the RV Park gate along Ray Lawyer and it looks great. Looking forward to a tour. Thanked Mike Denton for his years of service.

Kobervig: She knows first-hand the crab feed was great as she thoroughly enjoyed her meal. Wished Mike Denton the best of luck.

XI. Adjourn 4:45 PM.

Chris Whitaker, President

Date

Jody W. Gray, CEO

Date