DATE: September 7, 2021

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: Jody W. Gray, Manager

SUBJECT: Emergency Board Meeting – Fair 2021 decision requiring immediate

attention.

The emergency meeting of the El Dorado County Fair Association was held on **Tuesday**, **September 7**, **2021 at 2:00 PM via zoom** 

## **AGENDA:**

#### 1. Call to Order

A. Roll Call

Whitacker, Forni-Feathers, Witherow, Knight, Warden, Willyard, Hunt, Carter, Davis, Kobervig

- B. Record verification of legal meeting notice
- C. Quorum Requirement Met

### 2. Manager's Descussion

Fire Camp: a new crew came in today. Another team thinks they will be here for 2 weeks and then another team coming in with a smaller footprint. Entries are about a 1/3 of normal years and the presales are at ½ percent of normal.

#### 3. Directors' Comments:

**Warden:** Too much of a risk for vendors, too hot, and too early regarding what is going on currently.

**Davis:** Agrees with Warden. We are in crisis mode.

Forni-Feathers: Agrees. Too much at risk. We need to give as much notice as possible.

Hunt: Best to cancel.

Whitacker: Financially fire camp is helping us.

**Carter:** Looking forward to seeing the split Fair to see what this would look like for future Fairs. But we wouldn't get a good picture in regards to what is going on currently. People may not be ready for a fair given their current state. Safer bet is to cancel.

**Kobervig:** Fire Camp is good income but they are very hard on the fairgrounds. We need to look our very best for our next fair.

**Witherow:** Can't argue with the comments. Very disappointed. Was looking forward to the community coming together.

**Knight:** Cancelomg is in the best interest for all parties involved. Our county is going through a lot of devastation. Not only because of fire, but health, resources, health.

**Warden:** Apple Hill opening this weekend upset several in our community. A lot to be said regarding people's state of minds. Getting home vs going to events.

Willyard: Really wanted Fair to happen. Listening to all the comments she has to agree.

Knight makes motion to cancel Fair Davis seconded Motion carried.

4. Manager's Comments: Need to make commitment to carnival today or Friday so they can fill that weekend. Maybe – if carnival doesn't fill that weekend and Fire Camp leaves we could have the carnival and possibly free admission. Or maybe have some kind of community event. There is a group that wants to have a fundraiser for fire victims, perhaps we could combine with them for a community event.

# 5. Adjourned