

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FOR  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
EL DORADO COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION, INC  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2019, 5:30 PM AT  
THE BOARD ROOM ON THE EL DORADO COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS  
100 PLACERVILLE DRIVE, PLACERVILLE, CA.**

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PRESENT: Whitaker, Denton, Forni-Feathers, Carter, Davis, McGuire, Kobervig, Witherow, Hunt, Knight  
EXCUSED: Davis  
ABSENT: Bradley  
MANAGER: Jody W. Gray  
OTHERS: Kathy Jurgens, John Marino, Ann McMillan

I. CALL TO ORDER:

PLEGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

RECORD VERIFICATION OF LEGAL MEETING NOTICE:

Gray authenticated the verification.

QUORUM REQUIREMENTS MET:

Whitaker determined that the requirements for a quorum were met.

II. APPROVE AGENDA

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

III. APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 2019 REGULAR MEETING:

Witherow moved that the minutes be approved; Forni-Feathers seconded; motion carried to approve.

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

None.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

Thank you to the Knight Family and Fair Board for Fair tickets and wine donation for their fundraiser.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Acknowledgment of Contracts entered in March 2019.

Motion was not necessary.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Conflict of Interest Statements due for 2019 from Board and/or key staff.

Gray reviewed the Conflict of Interest Statements which were turned in.

B. Fair Update. No action needed.

Gray began the update by saying sign-up sheets for Director's fair-time assignments will be available at the April 29<sup>th</sup> meeting.

She then continued by saying entertainment along with fair maps are complete and Home Depot will be returning with their free kid's workshop.

Gray followed by saying the Main Lawn will have a new look with the stage, (music all four nights) positioned closer to the hill. The American Legion will have a beer cart there. Picnic tables will be near the cart. The live Stingray Encounter, Bobble Lagoon and Circus Imagination Show will also be on the Main Lawn.

Gray moved on by saying Brat Envy will be selling Philadelphia Cheesesteaks, The Butcher's Kitchen has created a special menu just for Fair and the Moose Lodge will be selling

out of one of the concessions stands.

Kobervig asked if a handwashing station would be put in the Capital Bar. Gray responded that she would rent one from Wilkinson's to be put next to the bar. Gray followed with saying Opening Ceremonies on Thursday will be followed with Gold Country Ace Hardware Kids Wheelbarrow Race and then the 1-K Fun Run for Kids. On Friday night Mutton Bustin is scheduled at 6:30 pm followed by Humpz & Hornz Bull Riding at 8:00 pm. The John M. Studebaker International Wheelbarrow Races is scheduled for Saturday at 6:00 pm and the Rubicon Jeep Jamboree Challenge is scheduled for Sunday at 2:00 pm.

#### VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT

##### A. Approval of Expenditures for March 2019.

Denton moved that the Expenditures for March 2019 be approved, Witherow seconded; motion carried to approve.

#### IX. MANAGER'S REPORT

- Gray said she had a meeting with Supervisor Veerkamp and El Dorado County CAO Don Ashton, Whitaker and Forni-Feathers. Jim Straus, Carnahan Electric and Scott Russell, also attended and asked to have the Racetrack lights and poles replaced due to the age of the poles. Gray asked Straus for a bid, which he did not have. About a week after Straus gave Gray a bid for \$350,000 plus \$110,000 to replace lights, but no poles on the Tiers.  
Gray followed by saying she turned in 2 TOT requests, one for Phase 1 of the RV lot at Fairside for \$ 165,857 and one for light replacements for the Fairground's LED lights for \$ 21,000 and Racetrack wooden posts for \$ 63,000.
- Gray continued with saying Facility assessments were sent to CCA for:
  1. Increasing the size of the Mark D Forni Building kitchen so it could be used for emergencies.
  2. Adding a shower and increasing the size of the Mark D Forni Building front restrooms, making it ADA compliant.
  3. Put emergency exits at the RV park.
  4. Repave the asphalt.
  5. Upgrade the storm drains.
- Gray then said, since the Fair is now required to pay health inspection fees, she sent a request for a waiver to Greg Stanton, Environmental Management, but has not heard back yet.
- El Dorado County Fire is invoking a new facility inspection fee which annually is \$391.00 and is our responsibility. For our Fair and renters who have vendors the fee is \$372.00. County Fire has agreed to waive this year's Fair fees.
- Due to a complaint, CAL OSHA and CA Air Resources Board visited looking for asbestos in a building at Fairside. Gray the building, which used to house Los Rios Community College, was tested. She followed by saying when the college left, they were supposed to conduct all cleanup for asbestos.
- The American Legion Booth remodel will be completed as 2 Eagle Scout projects. The first will be the new concession serving center and the second concrete walkways surrounding the serving center on three sides. The Fair will reside the building.
- Gray followed by saying QuickBooks is being used for vendors and other to pay from an invoice. The payment comes from their bank account, so there are no credit card fees. We are also using QuickBooks for in house credit card payments. Pay Pal is still being used on-line.
- Gray stated that the World of Outlaws race was cancelled due to weather and has been rescheduled to September.

- Gray said there is a new Senate bill which, if passed, could ban any animal other than a domestic dog, domestic cat, or horse from all circuses in California.
- Gray then closed by saying a monthly meeting with the Racetrack has been scheduled beginning on Monday. Whitaker will attend.

#### X. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

**Carter:**

Pass

**Witherow:**

Pass

**Hunt:**

Asked who owns the old pickup in the racetrack area? Marino responded that Scott Russell does.

**Forni-Feathers:**

Passed around the Ag Roundtable Flyer for the event scheduled for April 26 at 5:30 pm. Gray asked for those wanting to attend to RSVP to her and acknowledged that Directors will pay for their own dinners.

**Denton:**

Pass

**McGuire:**

Stated that from looking at the Open Ride contract list, it seems that all riders are women. Gray said most are women, however there are several men who use the Arena, including Hunt.

**Kobervig:**

Pass

**Knight:**

Pass

#### XI. Adjourn 6:40 PM.

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Chris Whitaker, President

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Date

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Jody W. Gray, CEO

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Date