

MINUTES
35-A District Agricultural Association
Board of Directors
May 15, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by President T. Williams in the director's room of the 35-A District Agricultural Association.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Williams.

DIRECTORS AND STAFF PRESENT: Williams, Richards, Shelton, Wass, Phillips, Bullis, Foley.

DIRECTORS AND STAFF ABSENT: None

GUESTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion by Wass, second by Shelton and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as e-mailed.

APPROVE MINUTES: Motion by Phillips, second by Shelton and carried to unanimously approve the minutes as e-mailed with one corrected typo of the March 20, 2023 regular meeting.

APPROVE DISBURSEMENTS: Motion by Richards, second by Phillips and carried unanimously to approve the disbursements in the amount of \$49,101.77 and net payroll in the amount of \$14,082.81 for the month ending February 29, 2023 and disbursements in the amount of \$34,660.44 and net payroll in the amount of \$14,085.77 for the month ending March 31, 2023. Richards asked if there were any unusual disbursements made, Bullis informed the board there were not any unusual disbursements made.

CORRESPONDENCE: Bullis informed the board we received a request from Mike Fancesconi at CDFR for Senator Marie Alvarado-Gil to have a booth at fair to include a 22' van she works out of, we will be accommodating her request.

2022 STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS: Manager Bullis gave the report on the 2022 STOP. 2022 STOP is attached and made part of these minutes. Motion by Shelton, second by Phillips and carried to approve the 2022 STOP as presented.

2022/2023 ALLOCATION: Bullis requested the board's approval to send a letter requesting our 2022/2023 training and operational allocation. Motion by Phillips, second by Richards and carried unanimously to approve a letter to request the 2022/2023 allocation.

2023 RODEO GRAND MARSHALL: Bullis suggested Tom & Amanda Martin, (Tom has passed away) they have been supporters of the fair and also they helped bring the rodeo back. Motion by Phillips, second by Richards and carried unanimously to approve Tom & Amanda Martin as the 2023 Rodeo Grand Marshalls.

CTO TIME: Bullis explained to the Board that Leslie Foley has excess CTO time on the books, in order to keep it within the maximum hours of 240 at year end, we should buy her out of about 350 hours. It has continued to

increase because we did not buy out any of her excess hours over the past two years. Motion by Phillips, second by Shelton and carried unanimously to approve a 350 hour buy out on Foley's CTO time.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS:

- ❑ Shelton apologized for having to miss the last meeting. His daughter just graduated from Oklahoma State.
- ❑ Wass had nothing to share.
- ❑ Phillips – Still able to get around with a cane.
- ❑ Richards had nothing to share.
- ❑ Williams reported that he recently attended the Dixon Fair, he wasn't able to make the Chowchilla Fair. Plans to try to attend the Calaveras Fair. Otherwise, nothing new. Williams did mention that the Dixon Fair had a metal detector at the gate due to gang activity. We might want to meet with our local law enforcement prior to fair to make sure we are OK here due to gangs from neighboring areas.

STAFF COMMENTS: Foley said it has been really busy with events and fair contracts. Tickets will go on sale June 1, 2023.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

- We need to change the June 19, 2023 board meeting due to it being a holiday. The June meeting will be on June 26, 2023.
- Butterfly Days was challenging, Rotary set the parking station up on Fairgrounds Road, this caused issues with the locals that live back there trying to come and go. Will not be done that way again. Bullis told the board that he would like to take a look at adding a surcharge on festivals, Foley will add it to the agenda next month.
- We made \$44,000 from renting the back parking lot out to PG&E.
- ADA Parking – Consultant on front parking lot, CCA looking for a contractor, the front lot needs to be no more than a 2% slope. A contractor for Big Fresno Fair did an estimated spec sheet for \$30,000. Anything over \$25,000 has to go out for bid, so CCA is working with the contractor to see if it can be reduced to avoid going out to bid. It needs to be fixed to avoid more costly situations that could come up.
- AT&T – Hoping the dirt work for the regrading is done before fair.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Motion by Phillips, second by Richards and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting in memory of Jack Wass and Barbara Harmon at 5:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted;

Tom Williams, President, Date

Brian Bullis, CEO Date