

MINUTES
35-A District Agricultural Association
Board of Directors
October 21, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Williams at 5:03 PM in the director's room, of the 35-A District Agricultural Association.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Williams.

DIRECTORS & STAFF PRESENT: Directors – Williams, Richards, Shelton, Wass, Vaughan and Staff - Bullis and Foley.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Phillips and Johnson.

GUESTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: Bullis shared with the Board that we have received lots of thank you cards from the Jr. Livestock exhibitors this year.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approve Agenda as Emailed

Motion by Shelton, second by Wass and carried unanimously via roll call to approve the Consent Agenda as is.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- a. APPROVE MINUTES: Motion by Wass, second by Richards and approved via roll to approve the September 23, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes. Both, Shelton and Vaughan abstain from voting due to not attending the September 23, 2024 meeting.
- b. APPROVE DISBURSEMENTS: Bullis stated the disbursements include the 2024 annual Fair expenses of entertainment, judges, etc. Motion by Richards, second by Vaughan and carried via roll call unanimously to approve disbursements in the amount of \$197,655.23 and net payroll in the amount of \$33,774.23 for the month ending August 31, 2024.
- c. FULL TIME OFFICE POSITION: Bullis explained to the Board that since Julie Lebow retired in 2020 her position has not been refilled. Foley has been doing both her job and Julie's job for the past 4 years. Bullis would like to fill the additional office position. Motion by Shelton, second by Richards and carried via roll call unanimously to approve filling the open full time office position.

REPORTS AND INFORMATION:

- a. 2024 Fair Financial Review: This will be tabled until the November 2024 Board meeting. We should have the September financials from CFSA prior to that meeting.
- b. Nominating Committee: Wass set the date and time for 4:45 PM before our next Board meeting on November 18, 2024.
- c. Board Meetings: Change the January and February 2025 board meeting dates to January 27, 2024 and February 24, 2025. Motion by Vaughan, second by Shelton and carried via roll call unanimously to approve the new dates.
- d. DIRECTOR & STAFF COMMENTS:

Vaughan thanked the board for their patients while she was getting back from her long illness. Just finished her last festival for this year.

Shelton reminded the Board that the Friends of the Fair will be hosting the annual Sausage and Suds event this coming Saturday. It is a fun event and it would be nice to see those than can attend.

Wass had nothing to share.

Richards had nothing to share.

Williams said he wanted to let Bullis and Foley both know how much he appreciates their hard work.

Foley shared that they celebrated her dad's 90th birthday on Saturday, it was a fun day for him and everyone enjoyed the family time together.

MANAGERS REPORT:

Bullis informed the Board that we just received the reimbursement of \$4,861.56 from USAA for the accident that happened on the grounds in August when the men's main restroom was crashed into by one of our judges.

Just replaced the backflows, 4 of them were failing and the remaining 4 were borderline so we went ahead and replaced all of them.

Friends of the Fair board member, Karen Verdgo is moving to Sacramento, she has been involved in many community organizations over the years. She will be missed but she will be moving closer to be with her family.

Gun sales and gun shows are no longer allowed on State property. This will change the way gun raffles can be done for any of the organizations renting our grounds. They can use a picture and give a coupon but no guns are allowed for display.

This has been a busy month for events.

CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Government Code (GC) Section 11126, the Board met in Closed Session at 5:23PM for the purpose of considering matters involving:

a. Personnel: CEO Annual Evaluation – Govt. code 11126(a)(1)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION: The Board reconvened in open session at 5:31 PM. Williams reported that the Board has given the manager an outstanding rating in all categories and retained his services until which time he retires in 2025.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, motion by Richards, second by Vaughan and carried by roll call unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 5:34 PM in memory of Louie Billings.

Respectfully submitted

Brian Bullis, CEO

Tom Williams, President