

**The California Mid-State Fair
Heritage Foundation, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, January 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman, Daren Friedle

BODs Present: Susan Beebe, Dave Belmont, Mike Coon, Joanne Cummings, Debbie Dusi, Brenda Fletcher, Daren Friedle, Patricia Lawrence, Deana Nelson, Hugh Pitts, Elizabeth Schumann, Denise Stornetta.

BODs Absent: Tim Hartzell

Members/Guests: Jo Bello, Bob Cummings, Chuck Fletcher, Pat Kress, John Peschong.

Approval of Agenda: Elizabeth Schumann made the motion to approve the agenda, with the following changes and additions; move Election of Officer to directly after Approval of the Agenda, under Old Business, add Web site and Cow Parade, Susan Beebe, and under New Business add Crab Fee, Hugh Pitts, and CMSF Interim CEO Pat Kress. Joanne Cummings made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Election of Officers Brenda Fletcher presented a slate of Officers for the 2016 year; Daren Friedle, Chairman, Dave Belmont, Vice Chair, Deana Nelson, CFO and Debbie Dusi, Secretary. Chairman Friedle asked if there were any other nominations, being none, Brenda Fletcher moved to accept the slate of Officers as presented. Joanne Cummings made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Denise Stornetta motioned to approve the minutes from the meeting in November 11, 2015. Deana Nelson made the second and the minutes were approved.

Announcements/Introductions/Member Comments:

Chairman Friedle asked the guests to introduce themselves.

Brenda Fletcher gave a short overview of the Western Fairs Association conference and indicated it would be in Reno next year, from January 15 - 17, 2017. Brenda felt it would be very valuable for additional Board members to attend. Of course, as in the past, the highlight for Brenda was meeting with, and talking to Cotton Rosser.

Financial Report: The Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statement were distributed to the Board for the period January 1 – December 31, 2015. The Profit & Loss statement showed a net income of \$419,574.58. Current Assets on the Balance Sheet through December 31, 2015 are \$1,211,536.37. Mike Coon motioned to approve the Monthly Report as presented. Joanne Cummings made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Deana Nelson presented a list of checks written since the last Board meeting. Dave Belmont made the motion to ratify the checks written since the last meeting. Susan Beebe made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Deana indicated that we had allocated \$750.00 to cover the expenses for Brenda to attend Western Fairs and that this not sufficient to cover her expenses. After some discussion Denise Stornetta made a motion to amend the November motion to allocate \$1,300.00 to cover expenses incurred by Brenda for the Western Fairs Association conference. Deana Nelson made the second to the motion which passed unanimously

Board Business

A. Committee Reports:

1. Concessions – Dave Belmont reported that the Concessions Committee did not have a meeting in December. The RFP was submitted for a remodel on Tortilla Town. The RFP will be scored next week, and Dave will keep the Board informed. Dave passed around a rendering for the Board to look at. The contract would be a 3 year contract, with 2, 1 year contracts. The theme is Island with an Island style menu.

B. Old Business:

1. Heritage Foundation Website Development – Susan Beebe indicated the Website was live and we have already received a membership application on-line.
2. Cow Parade – Susan Beebe told the Board that the Cow Parade has pushed their dates up, as they are really in need of sponsorships. Sponsorships are now due in March, with August being the due date for Artists, and Cow Parade will be in September.

C. New Business

1. Crab Fee – Hugh Pitts announced that the “16th” annual Crab Feed is Saturday, February 6, 2016; beginning at 4:00 p.m. Tickets are \$55.00 dollars.
2. CMSF Update – Interim CEO Pat Kress – introduced herself and gave a brief overview of her background. She invited all Board members to stop by to introduce themselves, and indicated that she was very happy to be fulling the position.

There being no further business, the meeting came to a close at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Dusi, Secretary

The next meeting is February 10, 2016