

**Patricia The California Mid-State Fair  
Heritage Foundation, Inc.  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
May 9, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Dave Belmont.

**BODs Present:** Dave Belmont, Susan Beebe, Mike Coon, Joanne Cummings, Brenda Fletcher, Tim Hartzell, Deana Nelson, Hugh Pitts, Denise Stornetta, Michael Torgerson.

**BODs Absent:** Debbie Dusi, Daren Friedle, Patricia Lawrence, John Peschong.

**Members/Guests:** Meg Evans, Chuck Fletcher, Georgia Bollinger, Nancy Wheeler, Jimmy Nichols, Michael Bradley, Donna Kelley, Heather Peach, Brian Harms, Irene Moore, Patrick Moore, Kay-C Cronin, J.D. Cronin.

**Approval of Agenda:** Mike Coon made a motion to approve the Agenda. Brenda Fletcher made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:** Tim Hartzell motioned to approve the April minutes as presented. Joanne Cummings made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

**Announcements/Introductions/Member Comments:**

Chairman Belmont asked the guests to introduce themselves.

**Financial Report:** The Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statements were distributed to the Board for the period of January 1, 2018 through May 9, 2018. Michael Torgerson made a motion to approve the Monthly Financial Reports as submitted, Mike Coon made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Deana Nelson presented the list of checks written since the last Board meeting. Michael Torgerson made a motion to ratify the checks written. Tim Hartzell made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Unpaid Bills: There is one unpaid bill in the amount of \$53.005 for drywall repairs done on the outside of the elevator room, due to water damage last year. Susan Beebe made a motion to pay the bill. Tim Hartzell made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

**Board Business**

**Committee Reports:**

1. Concessions – Michael Torgerson reported the Concessions Committee met in April. Michael explained to the Board that an opportunity to submit an RFP for an additional location during the 2018 fair was discussed, the decision was made not to submit the RFP at this time, as it is close to the fair and there is not enough time to prepare.
2. Membership – Brenda Fletcher reported that membership will be closing on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Currently we have processed 65 new member applications and are standing at 324 members.

Mike Coon reported that we currently have 28 parties on the waiting list for balcony seats.

Denise Stornetta reported on some proposed changes for the layout of the lounge furniture, also the food and coffee stations for the 2018 fair due to the large crowds we are expecting. Denise made a

motion to request up to \$2,000 to rent tables and chairs to utilize the space in front of the windows overlooking the midway. Tim Hartzell made a second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

Dave Belmont reported that the Fair Board has presented an opportunity for the Heritage Foundation to sell designated parking spaces in the main lot as a means of fundraising. They are proposing 20 spaces be sold, 1 of which will be sold at a price of \$2000, while the remaining 19 will be sold at \$1,000 each. Specific locations have not yet been determined.

3. Facilities – Chuck Fletcher reported that the fire sprinkler plans for the pavilion normally would be sent to Sacramento or Monrovia; however, there is a possibility we can have them reviewed locally. Currently, the time frame for the approval is unknown.

Balcony exits are also an issue that needs to be changed to satisfy the State Fire Marshall, the exits to Section 8 will need to be open always. Tim Hartzell is currently working to find and install a latch system for the door to hold it open.

**New Business:**

1. Fair Update – Mike Bradley reported:
  - a. Currently the 2 for Tuesday promotion for purchasing season passes is going on in May.
  - b. SLO Brewing Association will be featured in Mission Square on July 25<sup>th</sup> on “Spirit Night” at the fair. They will present Brew Master of the Year at this new event which will feature 9 breweries and distillers.
  - c. Showcase of Cities is almost full. Visit SLOCal will also occupy one of the windows.
  - d. The carnival will expand in 2018. The vendor will take over management of the Fun Zone (the reverse bungy area), they will also take over the management of the shooting gallery and update the technology.
  - e. SLOQH Mother’s Day circuit is underway, 115 brand new horse stalls were installed for this event.
  - f. Cattlemen’s Day info will be available next week.
  - g. Entries are all online for the 2018 exhibits, horse entries will be available in the next couple of weeks.
  - h. Heritage Foundation Applications for Scholarship is going through the approval process. Once the final draft is approved, it will be distributed and included on the fair website. Due date is usually at the end of June.
  - i. Hospice du Rhone event was well attended, over 500 people were served at a dinner in the pavilion.

**Comments:**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Stornetta for Debbie Dusi

The Next Regular Board Meeting:  
Wednesday, June 13, 2018