

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

February 10, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:p.m. by Chairman Michael Torgerson.

BODs Present: Brandon Blanke, Dave Belmont, Mike Brady, Debbie Dusi, Brenda Fletcher, Daren Friedle, Patricia Lawrence, Deana Nelson, John Peschong, Ernie Rey, Denise Stornetta, Michael Torgerson.

BODs Absent: Susan Beebe, Mike Coon.

Members/Guests: Steven Baker, Colleen Bojorquez, Mike Hall, Steven Nakamoto, Tamara Nakamoto, Nicole Peguero, Constance Stewart, Robert Stewart, Lera St. Louis, Jonathan Shroyer, Susie Torgerson.

Chairman Instructions:

Chairman Torgerson asked all guests wanting to discuss any items that are not on the agenda to please post their questions in the chat section.

Approval of Agenda: Denise Stornetta made a motion to approve the agenda with the following changes: delete the recess and closed session. Patricia Lawrence made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Deana Nelson made a motion to approve the January minutes. Brenda Fletcher made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

Announcements/Introductions/Member Comments:

Chairman Torgerson indicated there were no questions or discussion items in chat.

Financial Report: The Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statements were distributed to the Board for the period of January 14 – February 10 , 2021.

Deana Nelson indicated that she had to transfer \$60,000 from our savings account to the checking account to make the Farm Credit West payment.

Dave Belmont made a motion to approve the monthly financial reports as submitted. Ernie Rey made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

Deana Nelson presented the list of checks written since the last meeting. Denise Stornetta made a motion to approve the checks written. Brenda Fletcher made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

Deana Nelson reported she currently has no unpaid bills. Michael Torgerson indicated he had a bill from the attorney.

Board Business:

A. Standard Committees

1. Budget/Audit/Endowment – Daren Friedle – no report.
2. By-Laws – John Peschong – John reported Michael Torgerson has the changes and corrections to the by-laws and the committee will present them to the Board when they receive them.
3. Concessions – Dave Belmont – Dave stated the license to the sell the commemorative bourbon has been purchased and that Kim Daily would be reaching out the persons on the list to see if they still wish to purchase a bottle.
4. Elections – John Peschong – no report.
5. Facilities – Ernie Rey – no report.
6. Media/Marketing – Susan Beebe – no report
7. Membership – Brenda Fletcher stated the pledge letters were sent out and she hopes everyone reads them. Brenda indicated she and Denise Stornetta will be looking at the wait list next week.
8. Balcony – Mike Coon – no report.
9. Scholarship – no report.

B. Special Committees:

1. Hugh Pitts Memorial Fund Capital Project – Dave Belmont – no report.
2. Jim Brabeck Foundation – Denise Stornetta – no report
3. Legal Task Force – Dave Belmont – no report.
4. Property Acquisition Task Force – Michael Torgerson reported Krista Sabin from the California Mid-State Fair Board attended the meeting with the City and had some questions. Krista will meet with our attorney and get back to Michael.
5. Virtual Auction Fundraiser – Patricia Lawrence stated the auction committee has been meeting virtually every Monday. Patricia indicated that the auction will be June 14-18, 2021 and since this is the 75th anniversary of the Fair, we would offer 75 items in our auction, along with sponsorships.

New Business:

1. Review 2021 Heritage Foundation Committees – Michael Torgerson will report on the Board Committees at the next meeting.
2. CMSF Board of Directors Liaison Update - Nancy Wheeler indicated the Ag Committee met and is committed to a live auction in 2021 (if possible) no matter what size. Nancy then deferred to Colleen Borjoquez as things are changing so quickly.
3. CMSF Interim CEO - Colleen Borjoquez also reiterated the fact that the Fair Board is committed to have a fair in 2021 depending on what the State says. This may be a very modified fair with no big entertainment. Staff is working on a day-to-day basis for solutions to problems a modified fair could create.

Board Comments:

No Board comments.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Dusi for Susan Beebe
Secretary

*The Next Regular Board Meeting:
Wednesday, March 10, 2021*