

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

March 10, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:33p.m. by Chairman Michael Torgerson.

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

**BODs Absent:** John Peschong

**Members/Guests:** Steven Baker, Colleen Bojorquez, Mike Hall, Wendy Hall, Steven Nakamoto, Tamara Nakamoto, Nicole Peguero, Constance Stewart, Robert Stewart, 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:** Deana Nelson made a motion to approve the agenda with the following changes: move Colleen's report after the financials. Mike Coon made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:** Patricia Lawrence made a motion to approve the February minutes. Ernie Rey 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 – March 10, 2021.

Deana Nelson indicated that there is a patronage dividend payment from Farm Credit for \$13,171 and asked if the board would prefer to put that towards the barn loan or keep in checking. It was decided to keep in checking.

Denise Stornetta made a motion to approve the monthly financial reports as submitted. Brenda Fletcher made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

Deana Nelson presented the list of checks written since the last meeting. Debbie Dusi made a motion to approve the checks written. Ernie Rey made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

Deana Nelson reported she currently has no unpaid bills.

### **New Business:**

1. CMSF Interim CEO - Colleen Bojorquez stated that the CA Reined Cow Horse Association will have their event at the fairgrounds April 15-18. This is a large show that was just approved to be held with little to no audience. Also, the Quarter Horse Show is awaiting approval for May. Vaccinations are moving along to the tune of around 900/day. The staff is planning for a 2021 fair.

### **Board Business:**

#### A. Standard Committees

1. Budget/Audit/Endowment – Daren Friedle – no report.
2. By-Laws – No report.
3. Concessions – Dave Belmont – Dave gave a huge thank you to Kim Daily for her dedication to the commemorative bourbon auction, all is wrapped up and delivered to bidders and receipts for Deana are in the lounge office. In addition, Dave reported that the CFF has asked again about the addition to the Island Bar. He was referring to an email that was sent in March of 2020 that was unanswered at the time. Dave communicated that we are waiting on the fire marshal, though no plans for construction are in place in the near future.
4. Elections – John Peschong – no report.
5. Facilities – Ernie Rey – no report.
6. Media/Marketing – Susan Beebe – no report
7. Membership – Brenda Fletcher stated that membership is slow coming. The first batch of membership letters went out to those on the waiting list.
8. Balcony – Mike Coon – One more request has been added to the balcony wait list.
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 – no report
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. She stated that if there are any sponsors that are looking to donate, please contact Patricia. The board reviewed both the sponsor form and sponsor package descriptions. Debbie Dusi made a motion to approve \$150.00 for the printing of a virtual fundraiser post card. Branden Blanke made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously. Susan Beebe made a motion to approve \$165.00 for the postage needed to mail the virtual fundraiser post card. Dave Belmont made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously. Both the postcards and the letter of purpose will be mailed March 11, 2021. Review and discussion of the letter of purpose followed. Patricia Lawrence made a motion to approve the Letter of Purpose. Debbie Dusi made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

### **New Business cont:**

1. Review 2021 Heritage Foundation Committees – The board of directors reviewed the proposed list of committees for 2021. Discussion followed. It was suggested that HF members have the opportunity to serve on a committee and if there is interest to reach out to Michael Torgerson. Committee chairs are to reach out to the membership if additional assistance is needed. Denise Stornetta made a motion to approve the 2021 Heritage Foundation Committee list. Debbie Dusi made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

**Board Comments:**

Patricia Lawrence thanked the work done from the Virtual Fundraiser committee.

Deana Nelson suggested that a tarp be placed over Section C on the balcony. Mike Coon will look into covering that area.

Recess at 7:38pm

Reconvene at 7:38pm to Close Session to discuss Property Acquisition.

Closed Session – no action taken

Recess at 7:44pm

Reconvened at 7:45pm

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Beebe  
Secretary

*The Next Regular Board Meeting:  
Wednesday, April 14, 2021*