

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

October 9, 2024

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

BODs Present: Dave Belmont, Debbie Dusi, Brenda Fletcher, Daren Friedle, Patricia Lawrence, Deana Nelson, John Peschong, Ross Tenhaeff, Michael Torgerson

BODs Absent: Susan Beebe, Branden Blanke, Mike Coon, Joanne Cummings

Members/Guests: Ricky Brown, Kathy Campbell-Dahl, Deb Cipriano, Michael Cipriano, JD Cronin, Chuck Fletcher, Justin Perino, Gretchen Roddick, Nancy Wheeler-Nichols

Approval of Agenda: John Peschong made a motion to approve the agenda. Deana Nelson made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Deana Nelson motioned to approve the September 11, 2024, minutes. Brenda Fletcher made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

Announcements/Introductions/Member Comments:

Chairman Torgerson asked the guests to introduce themselves.

Financial Report:

A. Financials

The Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statements were distributed to the Board for the period January 1 – October 9, 2024.

After an overview of the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statements, Daren Friedle made a motion to approve the monthly financial reports as submitted. Dave Belmont made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

The list of checks written since the last meeting was presented. After some discussion, Daren Friedle made a motion to ratify the checks written. Patricia Lawrence made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

Board Business:

A. Standard Committees

1. Executive Committee – Michael Torgerson – no report.
2. Budget/Audit/Endowment – Daren Friedle – no report.
3. By-Laws – John Peschong – no report.
4. Concessions – Dave Belmont – no report.
5. Elections - Debbie Dusi went over the Election Nomination Forms and the dates for voting. Debbie explained that the Executive Committee felt there should be additional members for the election committee. Debbie Dusi made a motion to add Steve Baker and Deb Cipriano to the current election committee. Deana Nelson made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.

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6. Facilities – Ross Tenhaeff reported to the Board that the heating and air conditioning unit has not been serviced for many years. Ross called Kenneth Heating and Air Condition to take a look at the system. After some discussion, Ross made a motion to allocate \$2,880 for Kenneth Heating and Air Condition to service the unit twice in the coming year and make the recommended upgrades to the system. Daren Friedle made the second to the motion, which passed unanimously.
 7. Media/Marketing – Susan Beebe – no report.
 8. Membership – Brenda Fletcher indicated that the letter went out on September 27, 2024, to all persons who had been placed on the membership waitlist prior to 2024. Anyone that does not respond will be removed from the current list. Brenda felt there had been approximately 40 responses from people wishing to remain on the list.
 9. Balcony – Mike Coon – no report.
 10. Scholarship – Joanne Cummings – no report.
- B. Special Committees:
1. Hugh Pitts Memorial Fund Capital Project – Dave Belmont – no report.
 2. Legal Task Force – Michael Torgerson – nothing further on the lawsuit.
 3. Capital Improvements – Chuck Fletcher stated that he was currently working with P.G&E. regarding the large transformer and how it will affect the new barn structure.

Old Business:

- A. 2024 Annual Membership Meeting – Joanne Cummings – In Joanne’s absence, Michael Torgerson indicated Joanne was working on the Annual Membership Meeting and had things taken care of. Debbie Dusi indicated she had two baskets donated for the raffle.

New Business:

- A. CMSF Board of Directors Liaison Update – Nancy Wheeler-Nichols reported that the Board committees are very busy at this time.
- B. Fair Update – Ricky Brown indicated that staff was closing out the 2024 fair, with a Board meeting next week. Ricky stated there would be a fair market on October 19th & 20th, and that staff would continue to work at finishing out the year.

Board Comments:

John Peschong stated he would discuss with Susan Beebe some ideas for updating the website.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Debbie Dusi
Secretary

***The Next Regular Board Meeting:
November 13, 2024***