

MINUTES
35-A District Agricultural Association
Board of Directors
January 27, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President T. Williams at 5:00 PM in the director's room, of the 35-A District Agricultural Association.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Shelton.

DIRECTORS & STAFF PRESENT: Williams, Richards, Wass, Phillips, Shelton, Stewart, Appling, Bullis, Foley

DIRECTORS & STAFF ABSENT: None

GUESTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion by Stewart, second by Appling and carried to approve agenda as emailed.

APPROVE MINUTES: Motion by Shelton, second Stewart and carried to approve minutes of the November 18, 2019 regular meeting.

APPROVE DISBURSEMENTS: Motion by Richards; second by Phillips and carried to approve disbursements in the amount of \$63,826.66 and net payroll in the amount of \$19,946.53 for the month ending November 30, 2019 and disbursements in the amount of \$43,341.31 and net payroll in the amount of \$16,767.61 for the month ending December 31, 2019. Richards asked if we here on track from previous years; Manager Bullis informed the Board that we did have expenses paid for the new server, Friends of the Fair has reimbursed us for all of the cost associated with it. Also had a few late invoices from fair to pay.

SB 84 SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS: Motion by Richards; second by Phillips and carried to approve the obligation over the next 5 years. Brian explained the obligation for the DDA's, 35A's obligation is \$61,841 payable over 5 years. SB 84 Supplemental Retirement Obligations executive order from Governor Newsom addressing the homeless crisis

WORKERS COMPENSATION COVERAGE: Motion by Phillips; second by Stewart and carried to authorize workers compensation coverage for directors and volunteers for the calendar year 2020 while performing fair related duties.

AUTHORIZE USE OF PRIVATE VEHICLES: Motion by Shelton; second by Phillips and carried to authorize Directors and Staff to use private vehicles for 2020 official fair related business.

BANK SIGNING CARD: Motion by Phillips; second by Stewart and carried to remove Julie Lebow and add Leslie Foley as a signer.

MARKETING COMMITTEE: Date set for February 24, 2020 at 4:00 PM

EXHIBITS COMMITTEE: Date set for March 4, 2020 at 5:00 PM

CONCESSION/COMMERCIAL EXHIBITS: Discussion between board members and staff regarding the vendors from the 2019 Fair. Motion by Phillips; second by Stewart and carried to approve the 2020 vendor list with this exception; Foley will look for a new Fish & Chips vendor, she will contact Lynette Rollins for help, prior to inviting Fish Works back in 2020. Copy attached and made a part of these minutes.

BLUE RIBBON AWARD: Motion by Richards; second by Stewart and carried to award the Blue Ribbon Award to Lowell Munn in 2020 and to award the Blue Ribbon to Julie Lebow in 2021 .

2018 REPORT OF RESERVES. The report is attached and made part of these minutes. Brian will ask the Board of Supervisors for \$100,000.00 in funding for 2020. Copy attached and made a part of these minutes.

DIRECTORS AND STAFF COMMENTS:

- Appling had a great end to 2019, looking forward to 2020. Been working with her husband brushing their property.
- Stewart is glad we are still ticking even with everything going on in Sacramento.
- Richards reported that with the executive order from Governor Newsom addressing the homeless crisis and looking at using fairgrounds as a short-term shelter he does not see how 100 small camp trailers can help with 87,000 homeless in California. He feels strongly that Mariposa Fairgrounds should be exempt due to our serving the youth within our community plus all the youth that are bussed here from all of the surrounding community school districts to visit the Mineral Museum.
- Williams reported he hopes everyone had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year. He attended convention in Reno this year. He attended the directors meeting & training where he learned about changes we should make within the next year to comply with Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act – 2017. He is once again on the Leadership Board, working on a mentor program for both, CEO's and Board of Director's. Also, wants to let the board know that the Appointment Secretary has hired two Deputy Secretaries, our contact with them will be Jay Johnson. Being only 7 Board Members strong, please be sure to let him know by noon the day of our meeting if you cannot make it so we are sure to have a quorum. Once again we are dealing with the New Castle Virus in Poultry, Mariposa Fair will not have a Poultry Show this year because of it, and an early announcement will give exhibitors time to change into a different species for the 2020 fair. Williams stressed to the Board that part of his role as President of the Board is to take care of their needs or concerns, if any questions feel free to contact him with any questions, etc. anyone that does not have his contact information is welcome to get it after the meeting.
- Foley reported that she will need all of the directors to let her know if they want to purchase box seats for the derby or rodeo for 2020, if they can let her know before the end of our next meeting February 24, 2020. She has been busy with working both her and Julie's positions, all is going well.

MANAGERS REPORT:

- ❑ Regarding the executive order from Governor Newsom addressing the homeless crisis, the assessment of the youth on grounds should be an issue that is exempt. The counties that declare a homeless crisis are the cities such as San Francisco where they have had a huge loss of funds in TOT, vacation rentals, etc. due to the homeless population.
- ❑ Friends of the Fair voted to pay for a security system for the fairgrounds in the amount of \$9,531.00. It will be a great tool to see what goes on after hours on the grounds.
- ❑ Main Water Valve Replacement has been approved, a copy of the letter is attached and made a part of these minutes.

- ❑ GASB 68 – This effects our financial statement, in the past PERS has been deferred but now it must be reported on our Annual Budget and in our monthly financials as a line item expense. Both the information on GASB 68 and the Revised Budget are attached and made part of these minutes.
- ❑ GASB 79 will be coming soon in regards to retirement packages.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Phillips, second by Stewart and carried to adjourn the meeting at 5:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Brian Bullis, CEO

Tom Williams, President