

MINUTES
35-A District Agricultural Association
Board of Directors
May 18, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:01 PM by President T. Williams in the Manzanita Hall of the 35-A District Agricultural Association.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Williams.

DIRECTORS AND STAFF PRESENT: Williams, Richards, Shelton, Appling, Wass, Bullis, Foley, and Stewart by telecommunication.

DIRECTORS AND STAFF ABSENT: Phillips (Dr. Appointment)

GUESTS: Mariposa County Health Officer, Dr. Eric Sergienko and Director of Operations, Dr. Kristina Allen.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion by Stewart, second by Shelton and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as e-mailed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Dr. Sergienko explained to the Board his feeling regarding the possibility of us being able to have the fair. We are currently in Stage 2.5, in order to have fair as usual, we would need to be in Stage 4. In order to get to a Stage 4, a vaccination will have to be available, he does not see that being done until at least January 2021. He does feel that we will be in Stage 3 at fair time, but that can also be set back if any additional cases and/or deaths occur. No derby and no rodeo would be allowed, perhaps a livestock show with no more than 50 people present will be allowed or a virtual livestock show with no more than 50 volunteers or staff present with all COVID-19 precautions being taken.

FAIR: After discussion, a motion was made by Richards to cancel the 2020 "Remember When" Mariposa County Fair & Homecoming, second by Appling and carried unanimously to cancel the 2020 Fair.

CORRESPONDENCE: Letter from Karen Ross with CDFA in regards to COVID-19 copy was given to Board members.

APPROVE MINUTES: Motion by Appling, second by Stewart and carried unanimously to approve the minutes as e-mailed with a typo correction of the April 20, 2020 regular meeting.

APPROVE DISBURSEMENTS: Motion by Richards, second by Stewart and carried unanimously to approve the disbursements in the amount of \$45,081.89 and net payroll in the amount of \$13,785.88 for the month ending April 30, 2020. Richards asked if this was constant with prior years. Manager Bullis explained the extra expenses for April, we paid CCA \$8,450.00 for overseeing our Water Valve Project, High Sierra for annual travel brochure and also had our camping pamphlets printed.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS:

- ❑ Stewart shared that tomorrow is their 47th wedding anniversary.
- ❑ Richards is concerned about liability insurance, F & E needs to step up and get coverage for a COVID-19 clause. Good idea for each director to see about insurance to protect themselves, as a director they can also be sued along with the fair. Need to know what restrictions will be for a Cal Fire camp. Brain said that Cal Fire is in the process of coming up with a plan.

- ❑ Shelton said he was glad to be here with everyone. Asked about the insurance that could cover the cancellation of fair. Brian said we did purchase the Revenue Protection Insurance, it is a pot of about 1.5 million, with lots of fairs having to cancel that amount won't go far. They will wait until December 31, 2020 to divide it up. Shelton said he had an employee test positive for the COVID-19, it was his night auditor, so he had contact with both his evening employees and his morning employees. He worked a lot of hours because those that came in contact had to be quarantined for 14 days. He is having to testing every 14 days for COVID-19.
- ❑ Was asked about guidelines for a livestock auction. Bullis said it would be up to the livestock committee to decide what they want to do. They will need to have a Vet on hand, take temperatures of each volunteer, etc.
- ❑ Appling said she hopes Shelton keeps testing negative. She feels like we are in a science fiction movie. Hopes everyone stays safe and healthy.
- ❑ Williams reported that he was glad that tonight's meeting was in person and he can see everyone's faces. Not much going on, he goes to Oakhurst once in a while and stops at True Value to get a fair cinnamon roll. His daughter does all the shopping, he did go to Fresno for Dr. appointment and got to go into Costco. Upset we had to cancel fair, that is the one time every year that people get to get out and see each other. The staff have done a great job, the grounds and buildings look great.

STAFF COMMENTS: Foley said the office is quiet, she did put a hold on anything that was ordered like fair tickets in case we had to cancel fair, she will call and cancel any orders she has on hold so no loss of funds to the fair. Ribbons were ordered but they are not dated so we can use them next year. She will be getting grandchild number 5 in December.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

- Attached and made a part of the minuets.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Shelton, second by Richards and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted;

Tom Williams, President, Date

Brian Bullis, CEO Date