



**15th DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION
KERN COUNTY FAIR AND EVENT CENTER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**
Monday, January 27, 2025 • 5:00 PM
1142 South P Street, Bakersfield, CA 93307

BOARD DIRECTORS

Jared Britschgi (*Chairman*)
Blodgie Rodriguez
Cesar Chavez
David Torres

NaTasha Johnson (*Vice-Chairwoman*)
Lucas Espericueta
Ned Dunphy
David Lidgett

MISSION STATEMENT

The Kern County Fair and Event Center provides a year-round, safe, and friendly environment for educational, cultural, recreational and entertainment experiences that enrich and celebrate our community.

VISION STATEMENT

In order to enrich and celebrate our community, the Kern County Fair and Event Center will be a vibrant, relevant, multi-cultural event center, bringing the community together.

AGENDA

Items listed on this agenda may be considered in any order at the discretion of the Chairman. All items so listed may be considered for action. Any item not listed on the agenda will not be discussed or considered by the Board. Public Comments will be accepted on Agenda items at the time each item is considered by the Board. Comments are limited to three minutes.

CALL TO ORDER- CHAIRMAN BRITSCHGI

ROLL CALL/DIRECTORS ABSENT- CEO OLCOTT

Those persons wishing to attend the meeting and who may require special accommodations pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act are requested to contact the CEO at 661.833.4900 or kcfair@kerncountyfair.com.

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PUBLIC COMMENT: Public comment is a right granted to the public. It is reserved for items that are not listed on the agenda, but under this Board’s jurisdiction. Please be informed that public participation under public comment will be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker and in accordance with state law, the Board will not comment or otherwise consider such public comment item for business until and unless such item has been properly listed on the agenda at a future meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR: *(Discussion/Action by Board)*

All matters listed are considered by the Board of Directors to be routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no discussion of these items prior to the vote unless members of the board, staff, or public request specific items to be discussed separately and/or removed from this section.

- a. Review of Minutes of November 18, 2024, Regular Meeting
- b. Review of 2025 Interim Rental Agreements
- c. Review of 2025 Standard Agreements

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee- Lucas Espericueta Chairperson

- a. Review of Financial Report *(Discussion/Action by Board)*
- b. Review of November 2024 Financials *(Discussion/Action by Board)*
- c. Review of the 2025 Budget *(Discussion/Action by Board)*

Livestock Committee- Blodgie Rodriguez

Facilities/ Business Development Committee – NaTasha Johnson

KC’s Farm Committee- Ned Dunphy and Lucas Espericueta

OLD BUSINESS: *(Discussion/Action by Board)*

NEW BUSINESS: *(Discussion/Action by Board)*

- a. Review of 2025 Mission Bank Credit Card Signature and Purchasing Delegation
- b. Review of 2025 Mission Bank Check Signature Delegation
- c. Review of 2025 Agreement/Contract/Purchasing Signature Delegation, CEO, Michael G. Olcott
- d. Review of 2025 Agreement/Contract Signature Delegation, Deputy Manager II, Lilia Kenneally
- e. Review of 2025 Workers’ Compensation Resolution

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- f. Review of 2025 LAIF Account Signature Delegation
- g. Review of 2025 Wells Fargo Credit Card Signature and Purchasing Delegation
- h. Review and Discussion of the 2025 Board Meeting Dates, 2025 Holiday Dates, and the 2025 Fair Dates.
- i. Review and Discussion of the 2025 Person of the Year.
- j. Review and Discussion for CEO Olcott, and Maintenance Staff Jonathon Gonzales, Eduardo Salgado, Isidro Guillen, Raul Macias, Jessica Genel, Isabel, Jesus Estrada Oscar Sosa, Angel Yanez, Roberto Topete to attend the Maintenance Mania training conference to be held at the Del Mar Fairgrounds February 4-6, 2025 in Del Mar, California for the purpose of maintenance training and industry best practices.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

- a. Next scheduled board meeting is **Tuesday, February 17, 2024**, at 5:00 PM.

CEO REPORT: *(Informational)*

- a. 2025 Kern County Fair
- b. 2025 Fairground Projects

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. D2023-07 Annual CEO Evaluation_Final
- b. CEO Evaluation Guidelines
- c. S)-148_Chief_Executive_Officer_Performance_Evaluation
- d. F2025-01 CA H5N1 Avian Influenza-Poultry and Dairy Show Ban
- e. CA H5N1 HPAI_2022-25_CA Poultry & Dairy Exhibition Ban_1-7-2025
- f. Dairy and Poultry Ban 2025-Kern County Fair Exhibitor/Leader Letter- From CEO Olcott and Livestock Supervisor Dawn Stornetta

OTHER INFORMATION: *(Informational)*

DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT

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