



**15<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION  
KERN COUNTY FAIR AND EVENT CENTER  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 • 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](mailto:kcfair@kerncountyfair.com).

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**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No debate by the Board shall be permitted on such public comments. No action will be taken on such comment at this time, as law requires formal public notice prior to any action on a docket item; your comments may be referred to staff for follow up.

**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 January 16, 2024, Regular Meeting
- b. Review of 2024 Interim Rental Agreements
- c. Review of 2024 Sponsorship Agreements
- d. Review of 2024 Standard Agreements

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Finance Committee-** Lucas Espericueta Chairperson

- a. Review of Financial Report *(Discussion/Action by Board)*
- b. Review of the December 2023 Financials *(Discussion/Action by Board)*
- c. Review of the January 2024 Financials *(Discussion/Action by Board)*

**Livestock Committee-** Jared Britschgi Chairperson *(Discussion/Action by Board)*

- a. Review and Discussion of the 2024 Livestock Catalog. Addendum A.

**Facilities/ Business Development Committee –** NaTasha Johnson Chairperson

**KC's Farm Committee-** Ned Dunphy and Lucas Espericueta

- a. Schedule of Classes for the first and second quarters of 2024 in the KC's Farm.

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

- a. Review and Discussion of the 2024 Person of the Year.

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

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- a. Board Discussion for CEO Mike Olcott, Deputy Manager Lilia Kenneally and staff members Andrea VanMetre and Staci to attend “Super Schools” in Roseville, California Tuesday February 27<sup>th</sup> to Thursday February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The training is designed to teach new techniques in design, discusses rules, and offers an environment for sharing ideas and troubleshooting problems.
- b. Board Discussion for staff member Chelsey Roberts to attend Saffire Summit, Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to Friday May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 in Portland, Oregon for ticketing, website, digital marketing, and all Saffire services.

**NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING:**

- a. Next scheduled board meeting is **Monday, March 18, 2024**, at 5:00 PM.

**CEO REPORT:** *(Informational)*

- a. CA EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND RESILIENCY VENUES AND FAIRGROUNDS (CERRVF)  
a 501 c 5 Non-Profit Corporation.
- b. Year-Round Events update
- c. Fairgrounds and Facilities Update

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a. D2024-02 Bagley-Keene and CDFA Policy Final

**OTHER INFORMATION:** *(Informational)*

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS:**

**CLOSED SESSION:** (Adjourn into Closed Session) The Board is authorized to meet in Closed Session for considering:

- a. Personnel Matters: Gov Code 11126 (a) Annual CEO Evaluation

**OPEN SESSION:** (Reconvene into Open Session)

- a. Disclosure of any action taken place during the Closed Session Meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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