



**15<sup>th</sup> District Agricultural Association**  
**Kern County Fair and Event Center**  
**Bakersfield, California**

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting  
 Monday, August 18, 2025

**Call to Order:**

Chairman Britschgi called the meeting to order at 5:04PM in the Association Office.

**Director's Present:**

<b><u>Board Member</u></b>	<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Absent</u></b>	<b><u>Excused</u></b>
Jared Britschgi	X		
Cesar Chavez	X		
Ned Dunphy	X		
Lucas Espericueta	X		
NaTasha Johnson	X		
David Lidgett	X		
Blodgie Rodriguez	X		
Norma Rojas-Mora	X		
David Torres	X		

**Public Comment:**

Teresa Andrews – They had their FFA Small Animal Field Day and had over 100 kids attended. Thank you to Lili and her staff for the help, thank you to Evelin as well. It turned out great! This weekend we will have our Achievement awards for the kids and have dewars ice cream afterwards.

Director Espericueta – We have a grant program at my job for Non-profits and Sean Andrews, and I have worked together, and we got the grant approved for improvement projects and we donated \$50,000 to the Friends of the Kern County Fair for fans in the livestock barns.

**Consent Calendar:**

- a. Review of Minutes of July 21, 2025, Regular Meeting
- b. Review of 2025 Interim Rental Agreements
- c. Review of 2025 Standard Agreements
- d. Review of 2025 Sponsorship Agreements

Chairman Britschgi requested a motion to approve items a through d in the Consent Calendar. Motion made by Director Torres, seconded by Director Chavez. Motion passed.

<b><u>Board Member</u></b>	<b><u>Approved (Yes Vote)</u></b>	<b><u>Not Approved (No Vote)</u></b>	<b><u>Abstain</u></b>
Jared Britschgi	X		
Cesar Chavez	X		
Ned Dunphy	X		
Lucas Espericueta	X		
NaTasha Johnson	X		
David Lidgett	X		
Blodgie Rodriguez	X		
Norma Rojas-Mora	X		
David Torres	X		

**Committee Reports**

**Finance Committee** - Lucas Espericueta, Chairperson

- a. Review of Financial Report (*Discussion/Action by Board*)
- b. Review of July 2025 Financials (*Discussion/Action by the Board*)

Director Espericueta – Tab 3 is the memo with a slight error in the first sentence. It was a typo it says cash at \$244,517.01 it supposed to be \$2,041,168.30. This is a snapshot of where we are. Our Cash balance is still strong. We had \$358,513.42 in Revenue with a net loss of \$59,274.32. Our expenses totaled \$417,787.74. Go to the next page to the 5-year look back. You can see we brought in \$2,041,168.30 compared to all other years, it's the highest we've had in July. As of July, we are well ahead. Expenses for the year are at \$2.5 million compared to 2023 we had 2.6 million with a net loss of \$497,134.72 verse in 2023 \$996,478.71. No big projects going on. We had a one (1) day sale offer online for ticket sales, parking and this year added carnival wristbands. In 2023 we had \$141,054.50 and then in 2024 we had \$99,176.00 and for 2025 we had \$252,327.00. Almost more than double from 2024. A big part is the carnival wristbands at \$33 apiece.

Director Chavez – I know I saw that it almost gave me a heart attack.

Chairman Britschgi requested a motion to approve the Financial Report, and the July 2025 Financials. Motion made by Director Torres, seconded by Director Dunphy. Motion passed by all Directors.

<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Approved (Yes Vote)</b>	<b>Not Approved (No Vote)</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Jared Britschgi	X		
Cesar Chavez	X		
Ned Dunphy	X		
Lucas Espericueta	X		
NaTasha Johnson	X		
David Lidgett	X		
Blodgie Rodriguez	X		
Norma Roja-Mora	X		
David Torres	X		

**Livestock Committee - Blodgie Rodriguez, Chairperson**

Director Rodriguez – We are still on track for the dairy and poultry show on September 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. August 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm completed Beef Replacement Bred & Fed Heifers, Breeding Dairy Cattle, Breeding Swine, Breeding Sheep, Breeding Beef, Dairy Goats, Breeding Boer Goats, Pygmy Goats, Rabbits, Cavy, Poultry, Dogs, Jr Activities, Theme All Showmanship Divisions. September 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:59pm Entries close for Ag Mechanics – online only. Livestock volunteer dinner is on Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> in KC Park. Adult Showmanship - looking for all Board Members to participate. Peewee and adult goat showmanship is on Wednesday September 24, 2025, at 5: 30pm. Goat ring peewee and adult swine showmanship Sunday September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025, at 4:00pm. Swine Ring peewee and adult Beef showmanship Monday September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, at 4:30pm sales pavilion. Peewee and adult Sheep showmanship Monday September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 5:00pm sheep ring. Adult Rabbit showmanship Monday September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 6:30pm Rabbit Barn. Adult Poultry showmanship Monday September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 6:00pm Rabbit Barn.

**Facilities/ Business Development Committee - NaTasha Johnson, Chairperson**

Director Johnson – The livestock bathroom will be epoxied. Asphalt was paved and installed by Gate 39. Livestock exhibitor entrance. Asphalt repairs on the Union Lot. The maintenance drive Gate 26 has all been completed. Planted grass in the carnival area. Installed shade structure in the La Villa area. Building #4 is almost complete for the competitive exhibits. Planting grass in carnival area you will see a lot of greenery.

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

Director Dunphy – Lorrie Roberts is working on classes for the fall. The Fairtime planting is going to happen after the car show on August 24. The hot weather is maturing the plants a lot faster. Nut grass is not coming through.

**Old Business**

No old business

**New Business**

- a. Review and Discussion of the “JM Precision Golf Carts” Agreement S25-97 , a three-year contract. The total contract is \$126,672.00; (\$42,224.00- 2025; \$42,224.00 - 2026; \$42,224.00 -2027). For Fairtime golf carts.

Chairman Britschgi requested to approve item a. Motion made by Director Torres, seconded by Director Espericueta. Motion passed by all Directors.

<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Approved (Yes Vote)</b>	<b>Not Approved (No Vote)</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Jared Britschgi	X		
Cesar Chavez	X		
Ned Dunphy	X		
Lucas Espericueta	X		
NaTasha Johnson	X		
David Lidgett	X		
Blodgie Rodriguez	X		
Norma Rojas-Mora	X		
David Torres	X		

**Next Regular Board Meeting**

- a. Next scheduled board meeting is **Monday, September 15, 2025**, at 5:00 PM.

**CEO Reports**

- a. 2025 Kern County Fair

CEO Olcott – Year-Round Events, we have 4H Small Animal Field Day on August 16. PG&E on August 18<sup>th</sup> using Building #4. 4H Achievement Awards on August 23. Carnales Car Show on August 24<sup>th</sup>. Fairgrounds and Facilities updates, we will have a total of 9 directional boxes that each Board Member is sponsoring. I Will need to know the name we are putting at the top as the sponsor. Painting everything that needs painting. Fixing trip and falls. 2025 Kern County Fair update, working with NaTasha on the date for Paint Day. We are getting ready to do our flash sale on Friday August 8<sup>th</sup>. Flash Sales were very strong. Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) VIP Tent and Community Dinners charge for all alcohol. Person of the Year Dinner will be a full price Bar. The Non-profit will host these bars now. Price for 12oz. Beer normally \$6.00 will be \$3.00 poured into a cup.

**Other information: (Informational)**

No other information

**CLOSED SESSION:**

Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 11126(e)(2), the Board is authorized to meet in Closed Session for the purpose of conferring with and receiving advice from legal counsel regarding pending litigation.

Chairman Britschgi requested a motion to approve to go into Closed Session at 5:30 PM. Motion made by Director Chavez, seconded by Director Lidgett. Motion passed by all Directors

<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Approved (Yes Vote)</b>	<b>Not Approved (No Vote)</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Jared Britschgi	X		
Cesar Chavez	X		
Ned Dunphy	X		
Lucas Espericueta	X		
NaTasha Johnson	X		
David Lidgett	X		
Blodgie Rodriguez	X		
Norma Rojas-Mora	X		
David Torres	X		

**RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION:**

Chairman Britschgi requested a motion to approve to reconvene in Open Session at 5:49 PM. Motion made by Director, seconded by Director. Motion passed by all Directors.

<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Approved (Yes Vote)</b>	<b>Not Approved (No Vote)</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Jared Britschgi	X		
Cesar Chavez	X		
Ned Dunphy	X		
Lucas Espericueta	X		
NaTasha Johnson	X		
David Lidgett	X		
Blodgie Rodriguez	X		
Norma Rojas-Mora	X		
David Torres	X		

No action to report in closed session.

**Directors Comments**

Jared Britschgi- No Comment

Cesar Chavez- No Comment

Ned Dunphy-

Lucas Espericueta-

NaTasha Johnson-

David Lidgett- No Comment

Blodgie Rodriguez- No Comment

Norma Rojas-Mora - No Comment

David Torres- No Comment

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Signed

Jared Britschgi

Title: Chairman of the Board

Date: August 18, 2025

Signed

Michael G. Olcott

Title: Chief Executive Officer

Date: August 18, 2025