



**15<sup>th</sup> District Agricultural Association**  
**Kern County Fair and Event Center**  
**Bakersfield, California**  
 Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting  
 Monday, September 18, 2023

**Call to Order:**

Chairman Dunphy called the meeting to order at 5:13 PM in the Association Office.

**Directors Present:**

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

**Public Comment:**

Teresa/Kristine- Everyone is pleased with the upgrades that were made to the livestock area. Very grateful for everything.

**Consent Calendar:**

- a. Review of Minutes of August 14, 2023, Regular Meeting
- b. Review of 2023 Interim Rental Agreements
- c. Review of 2023 Standard Agreements
- d. Review of 2023 Concession Agreements
- e. Review of 2023 Commercial Vendor Agreements
- f. Review of 2023 Sponsorship Agreements

Chairman Dunphy requested a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion made by Director Torres, seconded by Director Chavez. Motion passed by all Directors.

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

**Committee Reports**

**Finance Committee** - Lucas Espericueta, Chairperson

- a. Review of Financial Report (*Discussion/Action by Board*)
- b. Review of August 2023 Financials (*Discussion/Action by Board*)

Lucas- Summary of month of August 31<sup>st</sup> numbers. Our cash position is less than what we had last year. Staff are ahead on buying for Fairtime and we are on par with a normal year. Our cash balance is \$2,999,607.00 compared to last year it was at \$6,024,372.86. Our payables are less than they were last year at \$109,178.45 compared to \$357,000 last year. Our net position is worse than last year but not bad. On Tab 4 you can see the earnings for the month of August. We brought in \$597,615.60 but we spent \$729,555.65. There are many projects in maintenance going on. Therefore, our net position for the month is (\$131,940.05). For the YTD we are (\$1,325,168.79). The next page of Tab 4 gives you a May 2019 through May 2023 comparison. The years 2020 & 2021 were an anomaly. The year 2022 was starting to get back on track. The year 2023 is best compared with fully staffed to 2019. We are in a much stronger position.

Chairman Dunphy requested a motion to approve the Financial Report and August 2023 Financials. Motion made by Director Torres, seconded by Director Lidgett. Motion passed by all Directors.

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

**Livestock Committee - Jared Britschgi, Chairperson**

Nothing to report.

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

- a. Asphalt Project
- b. LED Project
- c. Roofing Project
- d. HVAC Project

NaTasha- The main parking lot, behind building 4 and grandstands have new asphalt. I looks amazing. EcoGreen is working on getting everything changed to LEDs. Everything but the administration office has been changed. The roofing and HVAC projects are going to happen after the fair. Overall good work.

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

- a. KC Farm Program

Mike-The Farm is planted out and it looks amazing. Except for the nut grass that keeps coming up, the Farm is ready for Fair.

**Old Business**

No Old Business

**New Business**

- a. Request approval for the CEO Michael Olcott and Deputy Manager Lilia Kenneally to attend the CEO Collaborative presented by CDFA and the Fall Managers Conference presented by CFSA in Sacramento, California November 5-9, 2023.

Chairman Dunphy requested a Motion to approve for the CEO Michael Olcott and Deputy Manager Lilia Kenneally to attend the CEO Collaborative presented by CDFA and the Fall Managers Conference presented by CFSA in Sacramento, California November 5-9, 2023.

Motion made by Director Espericueta, seconded by Director Torres. Motion passed by all Directors.

<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		
David Torres	X		

- b. Request approval for Deputy Manager, Lilia Kenneally to attend National Independent Concessionaires Association Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada December 3-6, 2023.

Chairman Dunphy requested a Motion to approve for Deputy Manager, Lilia Kenneally to attend National Independent Concessionaires Association Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada December 3-6, 2023. Motion made by Director Espericueta, seconded by Director Torres. Motion passed by all Directors.

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

**Next Regular Board Meeting**

- a. Next scheduled board meeting is **Monday, October 16, 2023**, at 5:00 PM.

**CEO Reports**

- a. 2023 Kern County Fair

Mike- The Fair is here, and we are ready. We have many events on the calendar for the Board to participate in and I look forward to seeing all of you here over the next two weeks. Please check with Dayna and Diane if you need anything if not available.

**Correspondence**

- a. D2023-02 Sponsorship Agreement Reviews
- b. D2023-03 Banned States Update
- c. D2023-04 Leave Usage


**Other information**


Nothing to report.


**Directors Comments**


Ned Dunphy- No Comment  
David Lidgett- No Comment

David Torres- No Comment  
Cesar Chavez- No Comment  
Lucas Espericueta- No Comment  
Jared Britschgi- No Comment  
NaTasha Johnson- No Comment  
Blodgie Rodriguez- No Comment

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Signed 

Ned Dunphy   
Title: Chairman of the Board  
Date: September 18, 2023

Signed 

Michael G Olcott  
Title: Chief Executive Officer  
Date: September 18, 2023