

**10TH DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
August 23, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER: The 10th District Agricultural Association Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 5:46 PM by President Finley.

ROLL CALL/DIRECTORS ABSENT: All directors were present with the exception of Director Salters who called. There are two (2) vacant board positions.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND STAFF: Also present were Cliff Munson, CEO; Michelle Eiler, AGPA, and Mike Luiz, Senior Maintenance Worker.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Action by Board): Director Mercier made a motion, seconded by Director Fawaz and carried to accept the consent calendar which included minutes from the July 6, 2022, and August 1, 2022, meetings, contracts and cash disbursements for July.

Board Member	Approved (yes vote)	Not Approved (no vote)	Abstained	Reason of Abstaining
Monet Allen	X			
Alyssa Burrone	X			
Brandon Fawaz (2 nd)	X			
Jason Finley	X			
Judd Hanna	X			
Darrin Mercier (1 st)	X			
Lori Salters				Absent
2 positions vacant				

No public comment.

CORRESPONDENCE (Information/Action):

- Letter from Scinto Group LLC regarding the 2021 Financial Statement Audit – CEO Munson reported that one of the findings was his vacation accrual. He did find out that due to COVID-19 the maximum was increased by 192 hours, but must be back down to 640 hours total by June 20, 2023; he plans on taking some time off between now and then. No public comment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS (Informational/Action):

- Junior Livestock Auction Committee – Director Mercier reported that the new committee worked hard and worked good together this year. It was impressive to see everyone work together and pull the sale off. Abby Salters and Julie Brown were great assistance to pulling the auction off. All processors were happy. They are currently working on getting the sellers lists and buyers’ invoices mailed. No public comment.
- Junior Fair Board – There was no representative at the meeting. CEO Munson reported that the scholarship recipients were announced at the beginning of the auction on Sunday: Kylie Daws and Jonathan De Los Santos. No public comment.

FRIENDS OF THE FAIR: There was no representative present. CEO Munson reported that he attended the meeting last Wednesday and he was the only one there outside of the friends of the fair members. They reported that they were working on and close to an agreement with the Lily Foundation. They made no appearance at or with the events moving to the Jackson County Expo. Director Mercier has been in contact

with their attorney and gave an update on the agreement. He was given a draft and they are continuing to communicate and proceed towards an agreement that works for both parties. No public comment.

BUSINESS REPORT & INFORMATION (Action by Board):

- Billboard Contract with Rain Rock Casino/Karuk Tribe – CEO Munson reported that the individual that was dealing with this contract is out on extended leave. He was directed to sign up for a CRUISE PAL account for billing purposes. It seems that we are back to square one. No public comment.
- McKinney Fire – CEO Munson reported that the fire camp has cleared out. The total payment that we will be receiving is \$311,780. No public comment.

2022 FAIR/LIVESTOCK SHOW & SALE AT JACKSON COUNTY EXPO (Information/Action):

CEO Munson reported he was pleased with everything – the community presence, the grounds/facility, the amount of advertising. It was quite a ride and a big thanks to the Jackson County Expo, congratulations to the staff and JLAC; it was pretty amazing to cancel a fair 9 days before it starts and to host another event out of the area. He has been in contact with CDFA & CFSA about reporting the loss of revenue once all expenses have been received. The following items came up in discussion:

- Terminal Sale vs. Non-Terminal – Director Mercier said that is a JLAC issue but any recommendation by the fair board would be appreciated. He doesn't see any benefit to go strictly to a terminal sale.
- Exhibitors showing two animals – The situation that occurred at the show brought up questions regarding rule #50 in the Local Rules. This will be added to the next agenda and revised as needed.
- Independent Exhibitors – The number of individuals that participate is growing and their needs to be a better oversight of the program. CEO Munson will check into the legality of having Independent Exhibitors at the fair.
- JLAC Meeting Requirements – Director Mercier stated that JLAC should not be an enforcer of meetings for exhibitors training requirements. They should be having functioning meetings, where public is welcome, but focus on Pre and Post Fair/Auction Meetings where the public participates and provides input.

No public comment.

CEO REPORT (Information/Action): CEO Munson reported that the Rodeo and Bike Rally that were scheduled for Labor Day weekend have cancelled but the Farmers Market will be resuming. The PSPS Project electrician will be here tomorrow at 10:00 AM to look at Winema Hall. CEO Munson and Maintenance Worker Luiz have been working with CDFA in hopes to get some smaller projects completed as “Maintenance Project” instead of having to go through the full CCA process. No public comment.

BOARD COMMENTS:

- Director Allen – It was a great event and glad it was pulled off.
- Director Burrone – The AuctionTime system was great to use and they were very helpful even on a Sunday.
- Director Hanna – Asked if we have ever talked about the fair moving outside of fire season. CEO Munson commented that we usually have made it work; this was the first year that it was cancelled due to that issue.
- Director Mercier – We need to create a fire policy so everyone is on the same page and that the request must come in writing. CEO Munson will obtain the wording from OES regarding the actual takeover of the property. He also mentioned that Jackson County was complimentary to our staff, kids, community. It was an amazing operation of how people came together and all the communities (Jackson & Siskiyou) support.
- Director Fawaz – He was only able to attend on Sunday and the kids were great at the auction; very attentive bringing food and water to buyers. He would like Director Mercier and CEO Munson to

look into the carnival contract (all contracts) about canceling due to smoke or air quality. He also inquired about the transition of the fairgrounds from the state. CEO Munson reported that the Governor has put it on hold until after the election. It was great to have Fiona Ma visit the fairgrounds; he was able to spend some time with her. He would also like the board to review the rental agreement regarding emergency services in October or November before it is issued to Cal Fire. And lastly, he mentioned that Jeff Fowle reported to the Farm Bureau that the fairgrounds was hosting a Fall Harvest Fest. CEO Munson said that it was mentioned to Robin Wood that she could use the buckles at the October Horse Show and that the small animals may have an event, but he confirmed that there is no Fall Harvest Festival (despite all the rumors).

- President Finley – Thanked all the staff and said that Della Hayden, Abby Salters and JLAC all did a great job. He really liked the steak dinner that was put on by their auction committee on Friday night.

STAFF COMMENTS:

- CEO Munson mentioned that we should do something to thank the Jackson County Expo Staff and Board, possibly the Blue-Ribbon Award next year. He also mentioned that he will be out of the office from September 14-16, 2022, to attend the Feature Fair Tour.
- Michelle mentioned that several things had been said about the small animal department and that she didn't realize that Kendra Gill was a 4H Leader. Not sure if it is starting to become a conflict due to the different hats they wear and her daughter is involved in that department.
- Mike wanted to give a big shout out to Grange Co-Op for picking up and bringing back all the pens, plus they bought a ton of animals. It was very interesting working up there with their staff, we saw many benefits in how they do things.

PROPOSED ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

- Local Rules to be reviewed
 - #50 specifically
- Independent Exhibitors and requirements
- Fair Dates, possibly moving out of fire season
- Policies
 - Fire Policy
 - Department Supervisor Qualifications
- Speedway Contract for 2023 Season

NEXT MEETING DATE: The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at 5:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM.

Approved:



Jason Finley
President

Attest:



Michelle Eiler
Secretary