



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 5, 2025 • 10:00 AM
Zoom Meeting

DAVE DILLABO
CHAIR OF THE BOARD
Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds & Event Center

LAURIE GIANNINI
VICE CHAIR
CEO, Calaveras County Fair

CLIFF MUNSON
VICE CHAIR
CEO, Siskiyou Golden Fair

PATRICIA CONKLIN
TREASURER
CEO, Dixon May Fair

ALAN PHILLIPS
SECRETARY
CEO, Imperial Valley Fair

NANCY SITES
CEO, Tulalake-Butte Valley Fair
Cascade Area

ALLISON KEANEY
CEO, Cow Palace
Central Coast Area

CINNAMON HOWELL
CEO, Merced County Spring Fair
San Joaquin Area

MATT REED
CEO, Butte County Fair
Sacramento Valley Area

MIC MOULTON
CEO, Redwood Acres Fair
North Coast Area

CARLENE MOORE
CEO, San Diego County Fair
Southern Area

ANDREW TRYGG
CEO, Nevada County Fair
Mother Lode Area

SARAH CUMMINGS
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- I. **Call to Order and Welcome** – CFA Board Chair Dave Dillabo called the meeting to order, welcoming board members and guests to the CFA Board Meeting. President & CEO Cummings called roll. Directors present were: Dave Dillabo, Laurie Giannini, Patricia Conklin, Alan Phillips, Nancy Sites, Mic Moulton and Andrew Trygg
Directors Absent were: Cliff Munson, Allison Keaney, Cinnamon Howell, Matt Reed and Carlene Moore.
- II. **Approval of Minutes** – Chair Dillabo called for a motion of the minutes. Director Giannini made a motion to approve the minutes; Director Trygg seconded the motion. All board members were in favor; the motion carried.
- III. **Committee Reports**
 - a. **Legislative Committee** - Louie Brown provided a legislative update and overview on the bills we are currently watching, including an update on AB 258 (Connolly) and other bills the Alliance is currently watching.
 - b. **Branding and Marketing Committee** - Chair Laurie Giannini reported the committee has produced a robust new website and are working on transferring the newly designed CFA website to the CaliforniaFairsAlliance.com domain.
 - c. **Finance Committee** – No report
 - d. **Member Communication** – Director Phillips reported that he is currently working with staff to develop a new CFA newsletter, which should be distributed after the summer recess.
 - e. **Industry Relations Committee** – No report
- IV. **Area Reports** –
Several of the Fair area provided Area reports, noting that many areas had members busy with Fair season, and that most area would resume meetings in the very near future.
- V. **New Business** – CEO Cummings reported on the timeline to establish 2026 CFA dues, and budget to be included in annual renewal process, and budget building. Cummings requested the Finance committee meet in July in lieu of the monthly board meeting, to prepare a draft budget and proposed dues to present to the CFA Board at the August Board meeting.
- VI. **Old Business** – CEO Cummings gave a recap on Fairgrounds Appreciation Month, May 2025. Chair Dillabo provided a recap of CFA Fairgrounds Days at the Capitol - May 14 and 15, 2025.

- VII. President & CEO's Report** – President & CEO Sarah Cummings noted calendar updates and invited guest Tom Mitchell, Deputy Director of California Fair Services Authority to provide an industry update. Mitchell provided an update on EPL Claims in the industry.
- VIII. Next Board Meeting** – will be August 7, 2025, 10:00 AM via Zoom. Chair Dillabo adjourned the board meeting.

