The California Mid-State Fair Heritage Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Dave Belmont.

- **BODs Present:** Dave Belmont, Mike Coon, Joanne Cummings, Debbie Dusi, Daren Friedle, Brenda Fletcher, Tim Hartzell, Patricia Lawrence, Hugh Pitts, John Peschong, Deana Nelson, Michael Torgerson.
- **BODs Absent:** Susan Beebe, Denise Stornetta.
- Members/Guests: Mike Bradley, Jerome Cranelle, Clayton Ericson, Meg Evans, Chuck Fletcher, Grant Keel.
- **Approval of Agenda:** Deana Nelson made a motion to approve the Agenda with the following corrections: Old Business, Crab Feed; the 50/55 drawing was spilt with one half going to the winning ticket, and one half to the Crab Feed Scholarship fund. The tip jar contained \$3,000.00 which was split between the Paso Robles FFA and Ranchita Canyon 4H. Brenda Fletcher made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Daren Friedle motioned to approve the February minutes. Mike Coon made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Announcements/Introductions/Member Comments:

Chairman Belmont asked the guests to introduce themselves.

Financial Report: The Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statement were distributed to the Board for the period January 1, 2017 through March 8, 2017. The Profit & Loss Statement showed a net income of \$60,940.83. Tim Hartzel motioned to approve the Monthly Report as presented. Joanne Cummings made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Deana Nelson presented a list of checks written since the last Board meeting. Mike Coon made the motion to ratify the checks written since the last meeting. Hugh Pitts made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

There were no unpaid bills.

Board Business

A. <u>Committee Reports:</u>

1. Membership – Brenda Fletcher indicated memberships were going very well, and it appears this year pledges are coming in earlier then in the past, with only one membership not renewing to date.

B. <u>Old Business:</u>

1. Barn Project – Chuck Fletcher updated the Board on the progress of the Barn Project and indicated that the concrete work is done, with the last pour being finished yesterday. Chuck also indicated that the report from the fire marshal has been received, that is the good news. The bad news is that it is eight pages long. The report is currently being reviewed by the contractor and the architect. Chuck also reported to the Board that they had met with Mike Bradley and given him three options for the livestock office. In addition, we have spent our million dollars, and are currently working off the 2.4 million dollar loan from the bank.

C. <u>New Business</u>

1. Fair Update – Mike Bradley, CMSF CEO. Mike stated that it was "as miracle" that we got the report back from the fire marshal in such a timely manner. Mike reported that the current cutting horse show was going great and that access to the fairgrounds has been ok. Mike also indicated that he was currently creating a brochure for the new Paso Roble Pavilion. Mike stated that concert sales are going good, with Chainsmokers going great. Attendees for this concert stand so they have built a pit up front that could accommodate 500 people standing. The pit sold out in about 2 hours. The last concerts should be announced in the next three weeks. The South gates are coming along and will be a family friendly entrance. Mike also discussed the water issues on the fairgrounds, and that they are currently working on the master plan, which should take of the flooding problems. One final topic from Mike was a new competition during the fair, which will be new foods, introduced this year with all vendors being invited to participate.

There being no further business, the meeting came to a close at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Dusi, Secretary

The next meeting is April 12, 2017