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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Administration Building Board Room
November 8, 2023

Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81355031204>
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- 1) **CALL TO ORDER** at 4:02 pm
- 2) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** led by Director Scott
- 3) **ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS:** Directors Present, Directors Excused
A motion and second is requested to excuse the absence of any Directors under this agenda item.
Present: Director Almiron, Director Magnuson, Director Scott, Director Skala, President Yeager, Director Bruno.
Absent: Vice President Palumbo
Motion to excuse Vice President Palumbo was made by Director Almiron and seconded by Director Scott.
Motion carried. 5-0
- 4) **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS & STAFF**
Zoom: Brandi Gragg – CDFA, Rich Persons – Consultant, Charles Southwick – F & E, Denise Goularte – Consultant.
In Person – Alicia – Staff, Dave Smith – DWR, Linda – Staff, Russ – Staff.
- 5) **PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**
In accordance with state law, the Board will not comment or otherwise consider Public Comment matters until and unless such items have been properly noticed on a future meeting agenda.
- 6) **CLOSED SESSION** For purposes of discussing matters of 1) Pending litigation, 2) Real property negotiations, and 3) Personnel matters related to the CEO under Government Code Section §11126. The Board will meet in Closed Session to confer with and/or receive legal advice from counsel or the represented delegate. All guests and audience will be asked to adjourn meeting at this time. **Started at 4:07pm**
- 7) **RECONVENE OPEN SESSION** Report of any action taken during Closed Session reconvened at 4:42 pm

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The 46th DAA Board of Directors approved in closed session two agreements with the Department of Water Resources: Transfer of Jurisdiction of State-owned Real Property and Right of Way contract for temporary construction easement. In addition, the Board provided directions to CEO for next month's Board Meeting.

8) CONSENT AGENDA (*Discussion/Action by Board*)

All matters listed are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved in one motion unless the Directors request a specific item be considered separately.

- a) Review and Approval of September 27th, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes
Motion to approve made by Director Magnuson and seconded by Director Skala.
Motion carried. 6-0

9) REPORTS AND INFORMATION (Informational)

- a) Correspondence
 - Dragstrip article
 - Perris Progress article on fair 2023
 - Bagley Keene Update
 - Prop 12 CDFA – animal confinement initiative
- b) CEO Report
 - 1) Day to Day Operations Update
Annual Fair October 5-15 went very well, minimal issues – all resolved, incident in parking lot noted, very hot first weekend. Extremely grateful for staff in getting grounds ready. Livestock restrooms completed before fair opening. Dragstrip running on alternate Fridays and possibly moving to Saturdays. IE Flea Market, 909 Night Market – Blaze Beats Eats, Poultry Show, Harley practices, Office closed November 23 and 24. Monthly DWR meetings with Mike Driller – start of project late 2024. CEO monthly conference call, Event Center painting complete, archway to be painted Nov 20, new HVAC in Event Center complete, second unit should be considered for replacement soon because of turnaround time, acoustic issue now with new floors. Plan to remodel South restroom.
- b) Management Consultant Report
 - DWR project items, electronic sign agreement, ongoing process.
- d) Committee Reports
 - 1) Finance Committee
 - 2) DWR Ad-Hoc Committee
 - 3) Fairgrounds and Contracts Committee
 - 4) Junior Livestock Committee
 - 5) Policy Committee
- e) Barn Bash Report – nothing to report
- f) Friends of So Cal Fair Report – nothing to report
- g) California Construction Authority Update discussed under CEO report
 - 1) Pavilion Painting Project Update

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2) DWR Project Oversight

- h) Davey Helms – 2023 Fair Recap and proposal for future consideration
Davey - thanked the Board, need to reduce costs, and better marketing. Proposal pending but looking into two separate events, one in the spring and the other in the fall.
Director Scott – Thanks Davey, safety presence visible, weather challenge, happy with “fair” feeling with the ground’s acts.
President Yeager – social media free day, visited the last day of fair with niece, enjoyed small rides, parking easy to get in, seen the enjoyment of the community during the fair.

10) NEW BUSINESS (Action required)

- a) Review and Approval of September 2023 Financials
1) Balance Sheet
2) Profit and Loss Statement
3) AP Payments/AR Aged Invoices/General Ledger
Motion to approve made by Director Almiron and seconded by Director Scott.
Motion carried. 6-0
- c) Transfer of Jurisdiction and related agreements with Department of Water Resources
See item 7
Dave Smith – thanks the Board for approving the agreements.

11) MATTERS OF INFORMATION: (Informational – No deliberation/action)

- a) Directors’ Comments
Director Scott – thanks Russ for restroom remodel, requested livestock items to be secured during off season, informed fair of horticulture program leaders wanting to return.
Director Almiron – JLA went well, restrooms looked great, dressing rooms for kids, thanks Russ for preparing for Board members arrival at auction.
Director Bruno – thanks Russ, Board, and staff, appreciates Russ’ hard work.

12) IMPORTANT 2023 DATES: (Review and Approve)

Board Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 4:00 pm unless otherwise specified.

December 20, 2023.

13) Adjournment: adjourned at 5:37pm

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