

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

January 9, 2019

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

BODs Present: Dave Belmont, Mike Brady, Mike Coon, Debbie Dusi, Brenda Fletcher, Daren Friedle, Patricia Lawrence, Deana Nelson, Ernie Rey, Denise Stornetta, Michael Torgerson.

BODs Absent: Tim Hartzell, John Peschong.

Members/Guests: Ashley Blanke, Branden Blanke, Georgia Bollinger, Mike Bradley, Meg Evans, Chuck Fletcher, Nancy Wheeler.

Approval of Agenda: Mike Coon made a motion to approve the Agenda. Deana Nelson made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Swearing In Of New Board Members: Dave Belmont swore in New Board members Mike Brady and Ernie Rey.

Election of Officers: The following Slate of Officers were presented; Chairman, Dave Belmont, Vice-Chair, Daren Friedle, Treasurer, Deana Nelson and Secretary, Debbie Dusi. Brenda Fletcher made a motion to Elect the Slate of Officers as presented. Michael Torgerson made a second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Susan Beebe motioned to approve the December minutes. Mike Brady made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Announcements/Introductions/Member Comments:

Dave Belmont asked the members and Board of Directors to introduce themselves.

Mike Bradley announced there is a new California Mid State Fair billboard at the bottom of the Cuesta Grade and he already received a call from folks from Wisconsin who attend the fair and had seen it.

Financial Report: The Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statements were distributed to the Board for the period of January – December 2018. Michael Torgerson made a motion to approve the Monthly Financial Reports as submitted. Mike Coon made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Deana Nelson presented the list of checks written since the last Board meeting. Denise Stornetta made a motion to ratify the checks written. Susan Beebe made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Deana reported to the Board that the computer experienced a fatal error and that Staples quoted \$300 to repair it. Deana stated that after some research she was able to find and purchase a new computer for \$389. After some discussion, Denise Stornetta made a motion to repay Deana Nelson for the new computer. Brenda Fletcher made a second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Unpaid Bills: Deana indicated there are no unpaid bills at this time.

Dave Belmont gave an overview of the Western Fairs Association Conference, and indicated he and his wife Cindy, along with Brenda and Chuck Fletcher would be attending this year. Dave stated that all Board members were invited. After some discussion, Deana Nelson made a motion to reimburse Dave Belmont and Brenda Fletcher up to \$800.00 each after presentation of receipts to the Heritage Foundation. Denise Stornetta made a second to the motion which passed unanimously.

Board Business:

1. Membership – Brenda Fletcher indicated that the new membership program is up and running, and that the test appeared to work. Brenda turned the floor over to Denise Stornetta for an overview. Denise reported that all memberships will be handled on-line which should reduce the time spent on membership, and help with accuracy, as the members will be required to keep their information up to date. The Membership Committee researched many programs and selected Wild Apricot which can handle up to 500 memberships. Information and invoices will be sent on-line to members this month.

Old Business:

1. Crab Feed - Dave Belmont informed the Board that the Crab Feed is February 2, 2019. Tickets are currently on sale and if you wish to attend, get your tickets as this event sells out.

New Business:

1. Mike Bradley CMSF CEO updated the Board with the following information:
 - (a) The fair office was closed 2 weeks for the holidays and staff is now back to work;
 - (b) Staff is working hard on entertainment for 2019 fair, with announcements to come;
 - (c) The State Bio-Security team is working on security programs for the barns;
 - (d) Cal Poly Western Bonanza is coming up in February.

Board Comments:

No Board comments.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Dusi
Secretary

The Next Regular Board Meeting:
Wednesday, February 13, 2019