

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

March 13, 2019

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

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

**BODs Absent:** Mike Brady, John Peschong.

**Members/Guests:** Georgia Bollinger, Mike Bradley, JD Cronin, Kay-C Cronin, Meg Evans, Chuck Fletcher, Joy Powers, Mary Pat Reilly, Vicki Silva, David Sylvester.

**Approval of Agenda:** Michael Torgerson made a motion to approve the Agenda. Mike Coon made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:** Susan Beebe motioned to approve the February 13, 2019 minutes. Michael Torgerson 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.

**Financial Report:** The Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statements were distributed to the Board for the period of January – March 13, 2019. Daren Friedle made a motion to approve the Monthly Financial Reports as submitted. Brenda Fletcher 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.

Unpaid Bills: Deana Nelson indicated there was one unpaid bill in the amount of \$162.00 from Paso Robles Safe and lock.

Deana Nelson reported that the patronage paid from Farm Credit West was \$23,682.84. After some discussion, Deana Nelson made a motion to take \$22,000.00 of the interest paid from Farm Credit West to paydown the principle on the loan. Daren Friedle made the second to the motion which passed unanimously.

**Board Business:**

1. Membership – Brenda Fletcher reported the Membership Committee is moving along. Currently, there are 143 paid memberships and 49 on the wait list. The Membership Committee will be meeting soon to work on the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Brenda stated it appears there will be sold out concerts (Cardi B is already sold out) so the no “guest policy” will be in effect for those nights during the 2019 fair.

Mike Coon stated all 199 balcony seats are sold out, except for 6 balcony seats that have been released and will be offered to the first people on the waiting.

2. Concessions – Michael Torgerson stated he met with Brett Butterfield to discuss changes to the Island Bar and Grill. The Concession Committee will be meeting soon to look over new contracts.
3. Facilities – Chuck Fletcher stated that the Heritage Foundation received approval from the State Fire Marshal. Chuck indicated that the master key lock on the balcony door was not working. He will call Paso Robles Safe and Lock out to fix it. Chuck also reported that work should begin in a week or so on the outside door to Section 8.

**New Business:**

1. Mike Bradley CMSF CEO:
  - a. Mike Bradley indicated the Fair and Concession Committee will meet to discuss the Island Bar and Grill;
  - b. A new grandstand act will be announced Friday;
  - c. Cardi B sold out in less than an hour and one half, Blake Shelton nearly sold out. In addition, Cardi B is working on a kid friendly show;
  - d. Work is in progress on the south end of the fairgrounds. There will more music at that end with the creation of the 805 Chill Zone, for a mostly evening environment.
  - e. The shooting gallery is probably going to have to be replaced this year. The carnival is currently working on something to put it in place of it.
  - f. Exhibitors entries will be available on-line next week;
  - g. The Fair is still working on Bio-Security. It is very important because we are bringing in animals from so many areas;
  - h. Grandstand stage video screens are being increased in size and raised, which will allow for more seating on the floor;
  - i. Format, participants and purse are areas of the Country Rodeo being worked on.

**Board Comments:**

Susan Beebe indicated new photos of Board members will be on the web page soon.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Dusi  
Secretary

The Next Regular Board Meeting:  
Wednesday, April 10 , 2019