

MINUTES OF THE MEETING FOR  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
EL DORADO COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION, INC

Wednesday, April 7, 2010 at 5:30 pm  
THE BOARD ROOM ON THE EL DORADO COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS  
100 PLACERVILLE DRIVE, PLACERVILLE, CA.

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PRESENT: McGuire, Avery, Davis, O'Halloran, Denton, Forni-Feathers, Stek, Kobervig  
EXCUSED: Owen, Kirk, Knight-Fujii  
ABSENT:  
MANAGER: Jody W. Gray  
OTHERS: Donna O'Halloran, Mary Corey, El Dorado County Museum, Jeanie Amos, El Dorado County Library, Bonnie Worm, John Marino

I. CALL TO ORDER:

RECORD VERIFICATION OF LEGAL MEETING NOTICE:

Gray authenticated the verification.

QUORUM REQUIREMENTS MET:

Avery determined that the requirements for a quorum were met.

II. APPROVE AGENDA

Forni-Feathers requested New Business be moved to item #3.

Davis moved that the agenda be approved with the change, Denton seconded; motion carried to approve.

III. NEW Business

A. Museum Commission – Update what they are planning.

Corey stated she was at the meeting to provide information to the Board. The Museum Commission consists of 7 people appointed by the Board, but not appointed by district. The Commission's goals are:

- Improve curb appeal by cleaning the yard.
- Bonnie Worm is leading a group of volunteers in identifying artifacts to create a railroad yard. Current focus for the location of the yard is in El Dorado with the construction of a reproduction of the Old Depot. All railroad artifacts will be relocated to the new yard.
- After the relocation of the railroad artifacts, space will be available to focus on mining.
- To keep archives in one location, would like to move them to the Placerville Court House.

For this Fair, temporary exhibits in the museum would be showcasing the 100 anniversary of the El Dorado Forest. Several small engines would be operated at designated times during the day. In addition, some hands on gold panning could be available.

B. Fair Update.

Gray reviewed the entertainment currently scheduled each day of Fair. AT&T will put the Fair logo on the cover of their phone book again this year.

No action necessary.

IV. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Denton moved that the minutes be approved with corrections, Davis seconded; motion carried to approve with McGuire abstaining.

V. PUBLIC FORUM:

None

VI. CORRESPONDENCE – Review correspondence received during the previous month:

None

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Photovoltaic Funding Update

Gray stated that although she had previously applied for a new loan at 5%, no information was available yet.

Marino attended 2 classes at Maintenance Mania regarding Photovoltaic. During the classes, he learned what should not be maintained by him due to warranty issues. Marino's staff will clean the solar panels every Sunday, after races. He also arranged for the Fire Department to hose off the panels at the Grandstand once a month.

Marino then stated he attended a session of how the panels produce power and learned that when the temperature gets to high, the panels do not produce as well.

No Action Needed.

B. Approval of Contracts entered in February 2010.

Davis moved, Denton seconded; motion carried to approve.

C. County ball field grant application update – location to be in parking area below old county parks office.

Gray stated she had a great meeting before this Board meeting with Jack Sweeney, Ron Briggs, Jim Ware (DOT), Russ Nygaard (DOT), Mike Owen, & Mike Denton.

We all agreed that the location for the ball fields should be in our current "livestock" parking area. This area would be a good location because of access; the road from Building C would be improved and would benefit the ball fields as well as livestock

participants and another fire access road. The hillside could be a wonderful amphitheater type seating for the ball fields and the ballpark would be completely separate from the fairgrounds proper. The electricity, water, restrooms, and sewer would also be separate.

The old well could be used to water the fields, another plus. The fair would be able to use the area during the week of fair each year. Whoever schedules the fields will know that the week of fair was not available. Jack also stressed that nothing could be done until a management agreement was in place and signed by all parties before moving ahead. It was made clear and accepted that the fairgrounds was not going to be at all responsible for the ball fields. Jack, Ron, Jim, & Russ will have a meeting with the City of Placerville to see if they are interested in the management.

Nothing can be done until the grant is approved. The MOU will also need to be approved by all.

McGuire expressed his concerns with the County taking additional land from the Association similar to what happened with the Skate Park.

Davis stated that problems could be addressed through the MOU.

D. Approval to purchase panels for the Beef Barn from Cool Feed and Ranch Supply.

Motion was acknowledged by all that the Fair Manager is involved with Cool Feed and Ranch Supply.

McGuire moved, O'Halloran seconded; motion carried to approve.

VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Approval of Expenditures for March 2010.

O'Halloran moved, Forni-Feathers seconded; motion carried to approve.

B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Operations Review.

No action necessary.

IX. MANAGER'S REPORT

Gray requested Kobervig assist with the General Store again this year. Kobervig acknowledged she would.

Gray is scheduled to interview with Dr. Vicki Barber on the Eye on Education television show to be aired Monday and Thursday now until Fair week.

The El Dorado Community Foundation, Bob Billingsly, and the Fair is planning to host a non-profit open house to talk about the Fairgrounds and direct questions to the staff and Board. A tour of the grounds is also planned. The tentative date is October 14 beginning 3:00 – 4:00 pm until around 7:00 pm.

Following the May 5<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting the unavailing of The Milton Pavilion will follow. A luncheon with the City as well as the Milton Family and their guests will follow.

Apple Hill donated \$ 100.00 towards the signs for the Country Store and the Floriculture Building. Gray stated she ordered a sandwich board to announce tastings for the General Store.

Handy Racing Promotions needs 500 more bleachers and has proposed paying the Association 20% of his gate until they are paid off. The bleachers would be paid off by the end of his contract.

X. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

**O'Halloran:**

Pass

**McGuire:**

Recently ran into Bud Foster, former Board member and teacher.

**Kobervig:**

Pass

**Stek:**

Pass

**Forni-Feathers:**

Pass

**Davis:**

Pass

**Denton:**

Pass

**Avery:**

Pass

XI. Adjourn: 7:00 pm

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Mike Owen, President

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Date

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Jody W. Gray, CEO

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Date