

**TRINITY COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

Trinity County Fair
Board Room – 6000 Hwy 3
Hayfork, CA 96041
Thursday, July 20, 2017
7PM – Open Session

Board of Directors

Wallace Brinkley, President	Dixie LaFountain, Vice President
Sharon Eggleston, Director	Chuck Sauer, Director
Billie Miller, Nominating Chair	Dennis Rourke, Director
Adam Dummer, Director	Dennis Anderson, Director
Adrien Keys, Director	

Mission Statement

To provide for the management of the Trinity County Fair and year-round use of the fairgrounds in the best interest of the people of Trinity County and its rural county values by partnering with county agencies and businesses, promoting agriculture and education, and maximizing available resources.

Note

Please be informed that any member of the public has a right and is invited to participate during this public meeting and may address the Board either during the “Public Comment” portion and/or during the discussion of any particular item listed on the agenda.

AGENDA

The Board of Directors retains the discretion to adjourn to Closed Session at any time during this meeting to confer with and give direction to its negotiator(s).

1. CALL TO ORDER

Items listed on this agenda may be considered in any order at the discretion of the Chair. All items so listed may be considered for action. Any item not listed on the agenda will not be discussed or considered by the Board.

Called to order by Wallace Brinkley at 6:59 pm.

2. ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

a. APPROVE DIRECTOR ABSENCES AS EXCUSED/UNEXCUSED

President Brinkley, Sauer, Anderson, Miller, Eggleston, LaFountain, Rourke and Director Keys were present and Adam Dummer was absent. Director Sauer moved to excuse Director Dummer’s absence, seconded by Director LaFountain and approved unanimously.

3. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS / STAFF

Homer Yates, Bobbi Chadwick, Walter Overturf, Angelina Wright, Sandy Bechtold, Renie Tenneson, Jennilea Brookins, Donna Grisham, Benjamin Ehler, Julie Valezquez and Justin Molner where present.

4. COMMENTS FROM ASSOCIATION MEMBERS AND/OR PUBLIC

Wally Overturf mentioned that he would like to bring the bike rally back to the fairgrounds. He said that he has been discussing the idea with roughly 25 vendors and they are ready to go. He went on to say that he thinks we can have a biker build off, rally, swap meet and battle of the bands during the event. Director Keys asked what a biker build off consists of and Wally explained that there are usually 3 bike builders competing in the event and when the bikes are done, they are auctioned or raffled off. Homer Yates commented that the last had a good crowd and seemed to be a huge success. Discussion ensued. Mike added that the reason why this event was cancelled was because of ABC and nudity during one of the events. Discussion ensued. Wally did add that

this time he plans on doing a lot of the events inside when possible to avoid some of the same problems. Discussion ensued. Mike said that he thinks it is a good idea and he would like to work with Wally on it. Wallace Brinkley also said he thought it sounded like a good idea as well. Discussion ensued.

- **Cannabis beyond cultivation presentation by Bobbi Chadwick**

Bobbi Chadwick said that she is here as Bobbi Chadwick and not Supervisor Chadwick. In 1996 California passed the compassionate use act and we all saw that get blown out of proportion. SB94 aligns it all but Federal law still says it is illegal. Our county is known as one of the legs of Emerald Triangle which is known worldwide. We have world renowned farmers but they don't know how to market their product. What I would like to do is create an educational program hosted here at the fairgrounds. The idea would be to have symposiums and workshops as well as educational booths for people in the industry. Discussion ensued. Mike said that the fairgrounds has already had some of these agencies here renting buildings for their meetings and presentations. Discussion ensued. President Brinkley asked Bobbi if she was asking to rent the fairgrounds for this type of event and Bobbi said yes, she is. Discussion ensued. Bobbi then went on to say that there are fairs that have competitions for growers. Bobbi Chadwick suggested that the fair board considers hosting a cannabis cup for Trinity County. Discussion ensued.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA & MINUTES**

- a. **APPROVE July 20, 2017 AGENDA and June 15, 2017 MINUTES**

Director Miller moved to approve the July 20, 2017 agenda and the June 15, 2017 minutes, seconded by Director Eggleston and approved unanimously.

6. **APPROVE JUNE 2017 FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Director Anderson said we will not move to approve the June 2017 financials until we change accounting systems. Director Rourke moved to table the approval of the June 2017 financials until the next meeting, seconded by Dennis Anderson and approved unanimously.

7. **INFORMATIONAL – VACATION/SICK LEAVE BALANCES REPORT FOR JULY 2017**

8. **CEO'S REPORT**

- a. **Ads for concerts**

We have done a lot of advertising for concerts this year. We placed a large ad in the Trinity Journal for the first concert that ran \$800. Director Sauer has been working on TV commercials on KRCR TV. They have given us a great deal on this year's commercial. We will also secure a sponsor to cover the radio commercials. Sandy Bechtold said she has the contact information for an NPR station manager in Chico and I will send it to Jack. Discussion ensued. Jennilea Brookins suggested looking in to the rotating ads at the Trinity Theater in Weaverville. Discussion ensued. President Brinkley also suggested hosting concerts in other towns such as Weaverville in hopes of increasing attendance.

- b. **Fair Preparation**

Ed's crew is hard at work but doing well. Things are really coming together throughout the grounds. This year's fair will be a good one and we will see several new vendors. Discussion ensued.

- c. **DFM**

We are scheduling it for right after Bigfoot BBQ. Fire sprinklers will be going in and the asbestos siding on the dining hall will be taken care of.

- d. **Potluck**

TCFA Member Justin Molner asked what it would take to get the dining hall kitchen back to commercial status. Mike explained that the fire suppression system over the stove needs to be replaced, the flooring needs to be replaced and the plumbing in the kitchen would need to be replaced. Discussion ensued.

- e. **Q&A**

No questions at this time.

9. STANDING COMMITTEES

- a. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:** Wallace Brinkley (Chairman), Dixie LaFountain, and Finance Committee Chair
Nothing to report.
- b. **FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Dennis Rourke (Chairman), Dennis Anderson
Nothing to report.
- c. **NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** Billie Miller (Chairman), Chuck Sauer
Nothing to report.
- d. **JR. LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE:** Laura Taylor (Chairman), Wallace Brinkley
President Brinkley said Mike Rourke has been the AG teacher for a while and I would like to see the fair name something after the Rourke family. Please add this to next month’s agenda and we can discuss it more.

10. AD HOC COMMITTEES

- a. **POLICY & BY-LAWS COMMITTEE:** Sharon Eggleston (Chairman), Adrien Keys
Nothing to Report. Mike suggested the Association form a county contract committee to start looking at the county contract as it is due to expire in 2022. Discussion ensued.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. **Mountain Valley Unified School District letter to President Brinkley and the TCFA Board.**
President Brinkley read the MVSD letter aloud. Mike said the letter was a result of us considering renting the 4H building to the charter school. As far as the 4H building goes, we wouldn’t rent that building for storage. I have talked to Debbie Miller and there are some other ways we can help.

12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **DISCUSS AND APPROVE SUBSTITUTE LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR**
Mike said we have a 13-year-old exhibitor who became injured and she can’t show her animal. She broke her hip so she is not able to show. I spoke to the state and they have no problems but they recommended I present it to the board. Director Miller mentioned she knows this happened before but she wasn’t sure about a month prior to the fair. Discussion ensued. Jennilea Brookins said she has had this steer since October and has worked very hard. I think she should be able to have someone show for her. Dennis Rourke moved to approve the request to have someone else show her animals, Director Sauer seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.
- b. **NOMINATE AND VOTE ON 2017 FAIR PARADE GRAND MARSHAL**
Board members nominated 4 grand marshal candidates and all voted unanimously on Scott Murrison and Rhonda Rothwell as this year’s Grand Marshals.
- c. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS AND RENTAL AGREEMENTS**

RENTAL AGREEMENTS	OTHER AGREEMENTS
RA17-36e Mai Vu – Community Meeting RA17-37e Anna Rodriguez – 20 th reunion HHS RA17-38e Hayfork Rotary – Rotary Awards Dinner RA17-39e Spero Pictures – catering for film crew	COM17-20 Corban Hadden (Fair booth) COM17-21 T.J. Fox, Inc (Fair booth) COM17-22 Sim Tse Boutique (Fair booth) COM17-23 TC District Attorney’s Office (Fair Booth) COM17-24 Northwest California RC&D (Fair Booth) COM17-25 Seventh Day Adventist (Fair Booth) COM17-26 Strike Force Collectibles & Gift (Fair Booth) COM17-27 Growing Wild Garden Supply (Fair Booth) COM17-28 Big Valley Properties (Fair Booth) COM17-29 Howell’s Art Shop (Fair Booth) COM17-30 Fork Life (Fair Booth) CON17-16 Hayfork Boosters (Fair Concessionaire) CON17-16 Hayfork Rotary (Fair Concessionaire) JA17-01 Scarlet Rose (Fair judge) JA17-02 Rebecca Wiley (Fair judge)
STANDARD AGREEMENTS SA17-05 Tim Gomes (Auctioneer) SA17-06 Loren Kemper (Sound for concert) SA17-07 Hayfork Cleaning (Cleaning – non-fair) SA17-08 Hayfork Cleaning (Cleaning – Fair) SA17-09 Gloria Van Vicel (Poultry Inspector) SA17-10 Palomino Room (Fair Beer Vendor) SA17-11 Air Shasta Rotor & Wing (Helicopter for fair) SA17-12 Trinity Animal Hosp. (Fair Vet on Call) SA17-13 TC Sheriff’s Auxiliary (Fair Parking)	

SA17-14 Northern Delights (Fair Judge Lunches)	JA17-03 Mike Portlock (Fair judge)
SA17-15 Hayfork Lions (Fair Ticket Gate)	JA17-04 Ryan Bentz (Fair judge)
SA17-16 John Openshaw (Ultrasound Practitioner)	JA17-05 Rebecca Wiley (Fair judge)
SA17-17 Spero Pictures (Incidentals for film crew)	JA17-06 Benita Moore (Fair judge)
SA17-18 TC Sheriff's Office (Fair Security)	JA17-07 Susan Holthaus (Fair judge)
SA17-19 Bread & Butter Portables (Toilets/Sinks)	JA17-08 Roy Bryant (Fair judge)
SA17-20 ATM Plus (ATMs at fair)	JA17-04 Kile Wood (Fair judge)
SA17-21 Mulvey's Electric (On-call for fair)	JA17-09 Kathy Bramhall (Fair judge)
ENTERTAINMENT AGREEMENTS	JA17-10 John Albright (Fair judge)
EN17-01 Jeremy the Juggler (Fair)	JA17-11 Bridgette Grimsman (Fair judge)
EN17-02 Roger Hegyi (Concert)	JA17-12 Charlotte O'Niel (Fair judge)
EN17-03 CNE Creations (Fair)	JA17-13 Elsie Ackerley & Greg Wilson (Fair judges)
EN17-04 Louis Hudson (Concert)	JA17-14 Donna Grisham (Fair judge)
EN17-05 Mojo Child (Fair)	JA17-15 Timbre Beck (Fair judge)
EN17-06 Great Wide Open (Concert)	JA17-16 Rob McAllister (Fair judge)
EN17-07 Shawn Eric (Magician – Fair)	JA17-17 Greg Deming (Fair judge)
EN17-08 Steve Rhodehouse (Concert)	JA17-18 Brian Gossman (Fair judge)
EN17-09 Bobby Watrous (Fair)	JA17-19 Leeann Stearns (Fair judge)
EN17-10 Jamie Pineda (GWO Concert)	JA17-21 Jeremiah Colorado (Fair judge)

Director Miller moved to approve the contracts and rental agreements, seconded by Director Keys and approved unanimously.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Billie – Nothing to report.

Adam – Not present.

Chuck – Nothing to report.

Dixie – Nothing to report.

Sharon – I have been sending out letters for the parade and we are hoping to get people from other areas of Trinity County.

Dennis R – I wanted to thank Billie for nominating Morgan Rourke.

Wallace – Ben is no longer in Kuwait. He is currently in Bahrain. Thanks again Sharon and Sandy for all of your help on the parade.

Dennis A – Something I have been trying to do in my district is setup some sort of transportation for people from Southern Trinity to be able to get to the fair.

Adrien – I want to make myself available to anyone that has questions about Bobbi Chadwick's presentation.

13. ADJOURNED

Adjourned by President Brinkley at 8:35 pm.

Submitted By:

Mike Fillette, CEO

Wallace Brinkley, TCFA President