# TRINITY COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS'

## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Trinity County Fair

DINING HALL – 6000 Hwy 3 (DIRECTORS ONLY)

Hayfork, CA 96041

# JANUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 FOLLOWING ANNUAL MEETING

# **Board of Directors**

Dennis Rourke, President
Michael Thompson, Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> District
Margie Watkins, Director, 1<sup>st</sup> District
Adrien Keys, Director, 3<sup>rd</sup> District
Chuck Sauer, Director

Michael Thompson, Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> District
Adam Dummer, Director, 4<sup>th</sup> District
Jenny Millsap, Director, 5<sup>th</sup> District
Donny Case, Director

Terra Kephart, 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 during the "Open Comment" portion of the Agenda regarding items not agendized. Then prior to Board Discussion of New Business, after a motion is made and the Board President calls for "Public Comment", Once "Public Comment" is closed all discussion of Agenda items is limited to Fair Board Directors, unless input is requested by a Director. The Board of Directors have agreed to each person being limited to 3 minutes speaking time.

## **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 Director Rourke at 7:44 pm

# 2. ROLL CALL - DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

- a. Directors present in person; Watkins, Thompson, Dummer, Kephart, Rourke, Keys, Case and Millsap.
  - a. Director Dummer moves to approve the absence of Director Sauer; Director Keys seconds the motion; Motion carries unanimously.

## 3. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS / STAFF

b. Present in person: Krista Hymas, Laurel Dummer, Angela Riggs

## 4. COMMENTS FROM ASSOCIATION MEMBERS AND/OR PUBLIC

#### 5. CONSENT AGENDA & MINUTES

a. Director Dummer moves to approve January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Agendas and the December 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 Meeting Minutes with corrections.

#### **1.**Corrections:

- 1. Director Adam (Dummer) seconds the motion.
- 2. January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Agendas
- **3.** December 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2023
- 4. December 2023 Financial
- 2. Director Keys seconds the motion; Motion carries unanimously.

## 6. APPROVE DECEMBER 2023 FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. Director Thompson moves to approve; Director Millsap seconds the motion; Motion carries unanimously.
  - 1. Sue Erenberger- The Financials were correct at the time of printing; we still have some payments owed to us and bills come in after Financials go out.

# 7. INFORMATIONAL – VACATION/SICK LEAVE BALANCES

#### 8. CEO'S REPORT

a. See Annual Meeting Minutes

### 9. STANDING COMMITTEES

- a. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:** Director Dennis Rourke (Chairman), Director Michael Thompson (Finance Chairman), Carrie Bayley
- b. **FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Director Michael Thompson (Chairman), Sue Erenberger, Director Marjie Watkins, Carrie Bayley
- c. NOMINATIING COMMITTEE: Director Chuck Sauer (Chairman), Director Adam Dummer
- d. **JR. LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE**: Krista Hymas (Chairman), Bryan Taylor (Co-Chairman), Director Michael Thompson, Carrie Bayley, Director Marjie Watkins,
  - 1. We had our meeting last night (1/11/2023). Most of the Committee members were present. Carrie and Dennis were on Zoom.
    - New motto is, "Positivity and New Adventures."
    - 2. We have about \$48,000 in the bank right now. We have some repairs needing to be done. I will be putting together a list of things needing to be done and hopefully we can start checking things off that list.
    - 3. For the Premium Book we will have some recommendations for the February Board Meeting, one being taking the weights back to what they were in 2021.
      - a. White Turkeys will have same rules as last year.
    - 4. Carrie, Christina and I had the meeting with Dee.
      - a. We were able to present him with the Top Buyer Award and it just so happened that his clock broke in his office that day and he was able to replace it with the Award we gave him.
        - He expressed his issues with the Luncheon and asked for the Buyer's lunch back in the Dining Hall, to meet the kids and talk with other Buyers.
          - 1. We are thinking of maybe adding a Buyer's Brunch
      - b. Transport issue we had last year won't happen again this year, Dee thought it was cleared to bring in a separate truck.

## 5. Judging

- a. For Large Animal Judge we would like Travis Heffner to come back.
  - i. Small Animal Meeting after weigh-ins
- b. Looking into an ARBA judge. Our Fair might not be big enough for one to come.
- c. Possibly get a new Rabbit and Poultry Judge.

- d. I will put together a list of Judges we can go through to select new ones.
- e. We keep going back and forth about Carcass Judging and Rail Judging.
  - i. Readdressing this at the February Meeting.
  - ii. Some animals didn't get judged.
  - iii. Maybe a Buckle and Award for this category.
- 6. Jennilea got the computers set up for entries.
- 7. Buckles are being ordered.
- 8. Siskiyou is back, they've scheduled their vacation around our Fair this year.
  - a. Siskiyou Meats the Buyers will have to pick up their meat.
  - b. Will look into Chico State for processing.
    - i. They will limit the amount processed.
      - 1. If TRL wants Chico State as a processor, could we make an exception?
        - a. Private Contract
  - c. R & R Meats wants to be a processor.
  - d. Every processor will have an agreement this year.
  - e. Ear Tags and Tattoos should match.
  - f. Processor needs to understand no animals released to buyer's without payment to the Fair first.
  - g. We are going to mention at the Auction that Buyer's have 3 days to pay.
    - i. Cut and Wrap is not included.
- 9. We plan on having the By-Laws ready for the Boards approval by February's Meeting.
- 10. We will have the Virtual Auction.
  - a. We will bring Jake back.
  - b. Ask him to recognize the Add-On Buyers before the Auction
    - i. We will put the Add-On Form with the Buyer's Letter this year.
- 11. The Panels got returned to Shasta.
  - a. We found Powder River Panels
    - i. Pricing is anywhere between \$550 \$650 per pen.
- 12. Trinity High Woodshop to do Grand & Reserve Plaque.
- 13. We are thinking about extending show animals only for another year.
- 14. Alan Shufelberger passed away, we are thinking of doing a Scholarship in his name.
- 15. Michael Thompson talked about getting matching shirts for the Auction, so we know exactly who is involved.
- 16. February 1<sup>st</sup> is our next meeting at the THS Ag Room in Weaverville.
- 17. Dennis Rourke: The Buyer's letter is unclear on Choice of Slaughter, and Transport.
- 18. Auction Animals come back on the Fair if something happens, and they are not on the contracted transport.
- 19. Looking at doing a pen fee & entry fee for animals this year.
  - a. Only way Fair will get anything back on the Sale.
    - i. We could put that towards new panels.
- 20. Kent's Meats was a little overwhelmed this year on Animals.
  - a. He is building a new refrigerator building to hold more animals.
- e. TCFA MOTORSPORTS: Director Donny Case (Chairman), Angela Riggs, Carrie Bayley, Christina Wine
  - 1. Donny Case: Slip and Grip Enduro went great!
    - 1. There were 4 guys from Weaverville, they had a great time and want to come back.

- 2. We are thinking of doing a March Enduro, maybe St. Patty's Day.
- 3. Hoping to do a Truck Derby for Bigfoot BBQ
  - a. \$10,000 purse for that.
- 4. The Derby this year is hopefully going to be \$45,000.
  - a. I want to do a pre-entry stipend of \$500.00.

## **10. AD HOC COMMITTEES**

- a **POLICY COMMITTEE**: Director Adrien Keys (Chairman), Director Terra Kephart, Carrie Bayley, Christina Wine
- b GRANTS & FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE: Director Terra Kephart (Chairman), Carrie Bayley, Christina Wine, Teresa Miller
- c **PREMIUM BOOK COMMITTEE:** Director Michael Thompson (Chairman), Carrie Bayley, Christina Wine, Jennilea Brookins, Christina Merritt, Krista Hymas
- d **VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE:** Director Donny Case (Chairman), Director Adrien Keys, Director Terra Kephart, Teresa Miller, Christina Wine
- e. **WELL COMMITTEE:** Director Donny Case (Chairman), Director Chuck Sauer, Director Adrien Keys, Carrie Bayley, Christina Wine
- f RODEO COMMITTEE: Director Jenny Millsap (Chairman), Laurel Dummer, Jud Frietas, Carrie Bayley, Christina Wine

## 11. CORRESPONDENCE:

ANNUAL AGREEMENTS
RA23-01a Hayfork Lions Club

RA23-02a Hayfork Cleaning Services RA23-03a Allicia Adair – Barn Host

- a. DISCUSSION ON 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY CARNIVAL
- b. 2023 Annual Agreements

## **12. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Approve 2023 Annual Agreements
  - 1. Director Thompson moves to approve with Fair House Agreement added; Director Millsap seconds the motion; Motion carries unanimously.
- b. INFORMATIONAL ONLY CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS.

RA23-04a Luke Small Engine	
RA23-06a Mindy Clark	
RA23-07a Debbie Kelley	
RA23-08a Wintu Educational and Cultural Council	
RA23-09a Hayfork Ranger Station	
RA23-10a Hayfork Rotary	
RA23-11a Regents of the UC COOP/ 4H Building	
RA23-12a Solid Rock Soup Kitchen Showers	
RA23-13a Drive Thru Food Distribution	
13. ADJOURNED FOR CLOSED SESSION – PRUSUANT TO	GOVT. CODE 54957 PERSONNEL OR 54956.9 LITIGATION
14. RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING SESSION/REPO	RT OUT
DIRECTORS' REPORTS	
15. ADJOURNED	
Adjourned by Director Rourke at 9:10 pm.	
Submitted By:	
Carrie Bayley, CEO	Dennis Rourke, TCFA President