

Sonoma County Fair
**APPROVED Minutes of the
Competitive Exhibits, Agriculture and Educational Exhibits Committee Meeting**
Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.
Administration Building, Board Room

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Chair Annette O'Kelley, Marilyn Herzog, Marcia Mickelson, Bev Palm

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Doug Beretta, Cindy Crane

OTHER DIRECTORS PRESENT: Rob Muelrath

OTHERS PRESENT: Becky Bartling, Heather Borck, Paulette Swallow, Heidi Mickelson, Shauna Ferdinandson

The meeting was called to order by Chair O'Kelley at 5:33 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Director Mickelson moved to approve the agenda; Director Herzog seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Update: Hall of Flowers, Greg Duncan: No report.

Discussion and Possible Action: Request for Late DNA Acceptance:

Exhibits Coordinator Borck reported that the office received a request to accept late market hog DNA. The Exhibits office explained that the deadline was May 31 and that late DNA is not accepted. Heidi Mickelson presented information pertaining to why the DNA packet was late and addressed that the request was made within the 60-days of ownership state requirement. Upon review and brief discussion the issue was tabled until a special meeting to be held June 18.

Discussion and Possible Action: Appointment of Special Ad/Hoc Competitive Exhibits Action/Protest Committee

Committee Chair Annette O'Kelley appointed Directors Beretta, Herzog, and Mickelson to serve as the Special Ad/Hoc Competitive Exhibits Action/Protest Committee for the 2019 Fair.

Discussion and Possible Action: Recommendations for Auction Catalog Dedications

The ad hoc committee recommends dedicating 2019 Auctions to Jerry Marino, Bob Matteri, and Dave Lewers. **Director Herzog moved to accept the recommendation; Director Palm seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.**

Discussion and Possible Action: Auction Announcements

The committee reviewed the process of special requests that potentially happen during the auctions. No formal decisions or limitations were made; it will be observed and reviewed moving forward.

Discussion and Possible Action: Nominations for Local Recognition Awards

It has been requested by the exhibits office to make suggestions for local recognition awards and have official nominations ready for the July meeting.

Staff Update:

- a. **Market Animal Preregistration:** 86 steers, 240 lambs, 353 hogs and 54 goats preregistered.
- b. **Entries:** to date there are 1,661 entries compared to 1,509 on this date last year.
- c. **Flower Show Scholarship:** Seven four-year and three two-year applications were received. Interviews will occur June 13.
- d. **Ag Education:** Ag Ed display will be put together by exhibits department this year. New items will be purchased and it will be set up in the garden building.
- e. **Livestock Commentators:** commentators have been booked for all livestock shows.

Request for Future Agenda Items (non-discussion item)

Adjournment

Director Mickelson moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:25p.m., seconded by Director Palm, motion passed unanimously.