

Sonoma County Fair & Exposition, Inc.
**APPROVED Minutes of the
Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting**
Thursday – September 16, 2021 at 4:30p.m.

In accordance with Executive Order N-29-20 the July 15, 2021 Sonoma County Fair Buildings & Grounds Committee meeting was held virtually. All actions were voted on by roll call.

VOTING-DIRECTORS PRESENT: Rob Muelrath, Chair; Marilyn Herzog, Vice Chair; Max Mickelsen, Annette O’Kelley, Marcia Mickelson

VOTING-DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

NON-VOTING DIRECTORS PRESENT: Bev Palm, Kevin Howe, Neysa Hinton

OTHERS PRESENT: Becky Bartling, Kaitlyn Findley-Thorn, Michael Margetts, Cliff Sanders, Debbie Townsend, Carrie Wimer, Doug Gooby

The meeting was called to order by Chair Muelrath and roll call was taken at 4:37 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Director Mickelson, moved to approve the agenda; Director O’Kelley seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (not related to the agenda): None

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING JULY/AUGUST 2021 INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORTS:

CEO Bartling presented the July/August Interim financials, noting that for the August financials, the \$25,500 revenue for the COVID trailers in the Ballpark was inadvertently not listed. **No action taken.**

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2021 INTERIM EVENTS:

CEO Bartling reviewed the list of September/October 2021 Interim events, noting that the Sonoma Section FFA would be holding their opening/closing contest on October 6th. Bartling also explained that in October, three indoor events had cancelled due the COVID masking requirement, and added that the Halloween Costume Contest had been rescheduled to a Mexican dance in Lyttle Cow Palace on October 23rd. **No action taken.**

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RENT CONSIDERATION REQUEST FROM GOLDEN STATE GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION FOR WEEKDAY USE OF THE LYTTLE COW PALACE DURING WINTER MONTHS 2021-2022:

CEO Bartling reported that during the winter months for several years now, local barrel riders have been utilizing the Lyttle Cow Palace for riding practice, adding that they are a good group, requiring little on the part of staff.

Director Mickelsen moved to approve staff recommendation to approve the rent consideration request for the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association for weekday use of the Lyttle Cow Palace during the winter months; Director O’Kelley seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

UPDATE ON CARNIVAL LOT:

CEO Bartling reported that due to the drought, watering of the carnival lot will only be done at night, every other day. **No action taken.**

REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (NON-DISCUSSION ITEMS): None

There being no further business, Director Mickelson moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:52 p.m., seconded by Director Herzog; the motion passed unanimously.