

Minutes of: 25th District Agricultural Association

Meeting Held on: Tuesday, February 17, 2004

Directors Present: Myrna Abramowicz, Paul Battisti, Dave Dickson, Don Carr, Jim Cathcart, Greg Rodeno and Hope Lugo

Directors Absent: Paul Dohring and Peggy O'Kelly

Staff Present: Joseph Anderson and Janice Jonson

Others Present: Jack Hussey and John Salmon

ROLL CALL AND QUORUM CONFIRMATION

President Abramowicz called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m., confirming the presence of a quorum.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Abramowicz called for approval of the agenda.

Director Rodeno moved approval of the agenda as presented. Director Carr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Abramowicz opened the floor for public comment. There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Director Lugo moved approval of the minutes from January 20th, 2004. Director Battisti seconded the motion. The motion carried with Directors Rodeno and Dickson abstaining.

INFORMATION ITEMS AND PROGRAM REPORTS

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

Executive Committee – There was no Executive Committee report at this meeting.

Personnel Committee – Director Lugo reported that the Interim CEO's evaluation will be discussed during the "Closed Session".

Friends Committee – There was no Friends Committee report at this meeting.

Livestock Committee – Interim CEO Anderson reported that there are some minor changes to the premium book.

Buildings and Grounds Committee – There was no Buildings and Grounds Committee report.

Finance Committee – Director Cathcart had not arrived yet so Interim CEO Anderson gave the Finance Committee report. He reported that the financial report does not reflect the current month budget but that it will be included on the next report.

Real Estate and Development Committee – Vice President Dickson reported that he has had contact with City and County officials weekly. They are waiting until after the March election before continuing the planning discussions. They want to be included in the planning but due to the State budget crisis, the City's and County's level of funding limits any new fiscal obligations.

Vice President Dickson reported that he has been spending a lot of time in Orange County and following with great interest the formulation of the Great Park. There are some parallels, i.e. set up a board of directors under a Joint Powers Agreement. VP Dickson will bring to the committee examples of the policy issues that Orange County is encountering.

Directors agreed that funding from other localities is not available and probably will not be in the near future. Director Lugo suggested that maybe we could go ahead and develop the RV Park which would create revenue for the fair. Director Carr feels that we should go ahead with a private developer.

Everyone is interested in moving forward in some fashion. The March elections will be over when the board meets next. VP Dickson will give a report on what has occurred between meetings.

CORRESPONDENCE

Western Fairs Association sent an invitation to Capital Ag. Day on March 16, 2004. Anyone interested in attending should let Interim CEO Anderson know.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no "New Business" brought up by Board members at this meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following: Rental Agreements # 2004-60 through and including # 2004-73; Concession Agreements # SUMFO-04-001 through and including # SUMFO-04-16; and MULTI YR. FOOD 01-2004.

Director Carr moved approval of the Consent Calendar. Director Lugo seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CEO/MANAGER'S REPORT

Interim CEO Anderson reported that he is waiting for the final report from CCA. It will be forwarded to CFSA for insurance purposes. Interim CEO Anderson is researching the non-profits food booths. He is considering utilizing the low grossing groups as building monitors. The area needed for non-profit groups would be less and the building size could be decreased instead of repaired.

The livestock restrooms/office has underground electrical break. The estimate to repair the damage is \$12,000. Interim CEO Anderson has concerns about supplying good electrical service to a run down building. He is considering a modular building and putting it closer to Geis Building where the electrical is already in place. The building could be moved and utilized in other areas. Funding would come from the Livestock contingency fund (\$10,000 -\$15,000) and millenium flex money.

Interim CEO Anderson reported that we lost two bingo groups and they have both been replaced. There are two more non-profit groups researching bingo. We have one open night and we're currently bringing in the same revenue as the last two years. The two groups may combine their resources to fill the open night. Bingo revenue is short term due to Indian gaming. Bingo has about another five or six year life span per Bingo King.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to closed session at 2:03 pm to evaluate the performance of Interim CEO Anderson as authorized by Government Section 11126(a)(1).

Joseph Anderson, Interim CEO

Date

RECONVENE

The Board reconvened to open session at 3:10 pm. President Abramowicz announced that in closed session a motion was made by Director Cathcart, seconded by Director Battisti and unanimously approved that Interim CEO Anderson receive a 5% step increase in salary retroactive to December 1, 2003, and that a copy of an evaluation be placed in his file.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the 25th District Agricultural Association Board of Directors adjourned at 3:12 pm.

Myrna Abramowicz, President

Date