



NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SONOMA COUNTY HARVEST FAIR

**August 12, 2020
5:00 p.m.**

Notice is hereby given that meetings of the Sonoma County Harvest Fair will convene at times and location set forth in this notice.

In accordance with Executive Order N-29-20 the August 12, 2020 Sonoma County Harvest Fair Board meeting will be held virtually.

The web conferencing system Zoom will be utilized for this meeting. To participate in the meeting you will need a computer connected to the internet with microphone capabilities or a telephone. (It is not necessary to have a camera). A smart phone or tablet can also be utilized to join the meeting. To test your equipment please use this link: <https://zoom.us/test>

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BOARD MEMBERS: President, Les Perry; Pat Emery, Vice-President;

Becky Bartling, Percy Brandon, Cindy Crane, Rocco Cunningham, Scott Goyne, Michael Haney, Karissa Kruse/Amy Tesconi, Teejay Lowe, Jake Martini, Mo McElroy, Tammi Matthias, Jason Schneider, Andrew Smith

1. Call to Order
2. Introduction of Guests
3. Public Comments on issues not on the Agenda: *Any member of the audience desiring to address the Board on a matter not on the agenda: Please stand and after receiving recognition from the Chair, please state your name and make your comments. In order that all interested parties have an opportunity to address the Board, each person is granted 3 minutes to speak. While members of the public are welcome to address the Board, under the Brown Act, Board members may not deliberate or take action on items not on the agenda, and generally may only listen. For items that are on the agenda, each person will be allowed to address the topic being discussed, and will be allowed 3 minutes to speak.*
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Discussion and possible action to approve the Financial Statements through July 31, 2020
6. Approval of Item 1 -2 on the Consent Agenda
The Consent Agenda includes routine financial and administrative actions that are usually approved by a single majority vote. Questions or comments are accepted, but there will be no discussion on these items prior to voting on the motion unless Board Members or the public request specific items be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda under the appropriate Committee or Agenda Item.
7. President's Report- Les Perry
8. Update: Sonoma County Event Center COVID-19
9. Update: Professional Food Competition
10. Update: Professional Wine Competition
11. Request for Future Agenda Items
 - Contract with Sonoma County Fair
12. Adjournment

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CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of June 10, 2020 Harvest Fair Board Meeting Minutes (Attachment #1)
2. Approval of July 13, 2020 Harvest Fair Board Meeting Minutes (Attachment #2)



Sonoma County Harvest Fair
DRAFT Minutes of the
Board of Directors' Meeting
Wednesday, June 10, 2020 5:00 p.m.

In accordance with Executive Order N-29-20 the June 10, 2020 Sonoma County Harvest Fair Board meeting was held virtually. All actions were voted on by roll call.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Les Perry, President, Jacqueline Balletto, Percy Brandon, Cindy Crane, Rocco Cunningham, Teejay Lowe, Scott Goynes, Jake Martini, Tammi Matthias, Mo McElroy, Jason Schneider, Andrew Smith, Amy Tesconi

DIRECTORS ABSENT: ; Pat Emery, Vice-President; Becky Bartling, Michael Haney,

OTHERS PRESENT: Heather Borck, Kaitlyn Findley-Thorn, Sheila Quince, Paulette Swallow

The meeting was called to order by President Perry at 5:05 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Director Lowe moved to approve the agenda; Director Martini seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS THROUGH May 31, 2020:

Exhibits Coordinator Borck presented the Financial Statements. Director Lowe moved to approve the Financial Statements through May 31, 2020; Director Goynes seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF ITEM 1 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Director Lowe moved to approve items 1 on the consent agenda; Director Goynes seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Perry indicated that he has had additional communication with Sonoma County Vintners. As requested the documentation indicating that Sonoma County Harvest Fair was part of the aggregate application was sent to the Vintners. The Vintners are indicating there was some confusion with the county and that the Harvest Fair was not a part of the initial request. Present Perry has asked staff to send him the original application.

President Perry also shared that Agriculture Commissioner Andrew Smith has let him know that Jacqueline Balletto will be resigning from the board as she will be attending graduate school in the fall.

UPDATE: SONOMA COUNTY EVENT CENTER COVID-19

COO Findley-Thorn reported that there is still not an indication as to when mass gatherings will be able to occur. The fairgrounds was able to get a wine coding and judging plan approved by the health department. An event is currently taking place on grounds. Director Lowe informed the board that full-time staffing at the fairgrounds has been reduced to around 10 positions.

UPDATE: PRO FOOD JUDGING

Exhibits Coordinator Borck updated the Board that the professional food competition is currently live on the website. A division has been added for curbside/to go food options. She relayed that she has not yet had an opportunity to focus on the people's choice curbside competition that the board suggested at the

last meeting. It was decided that efforts should be made toward the current professional food completion rather than the creation of a new voting system as there are many complications in ensuring that voting occurs fairly.

UPDATE: PRO WINE JUDGING

Professional Wine Coordinator Quince reported that she has been working at the wine judging currently at the fairgrounds and has a good idea as to how to handle the Harvest Fair Judging. She has been in communication with the judges and let them know that travel arrangements will not be made until closer to the judging date. She has a list of local judges ready should they be needed. Professional Wine entries will go live July 1. Quince was asked if there will be any social events during the judging. She indicated that she is leaving the door open for this possibility, however, it's too early to know what will be allowed.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: 2020 HARVEST FAIR

No Action

REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Contract with Sonoma County Fair

Director Crane moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 p.m., Director Lowe seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of May 13, 2020 Harvest Fair Board Meeting Minutes



**Sonoma County Harvest Fair
Draft Minutes of the
BEER & WINE COMMITTEE
Monday, July 13, 2020
Meeting Held Virtually**

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Teejay Lowe, Chair; Jake Martini, Jason Schneider

DIRECTORS ABSENT:, Amy Tesconi, Scott Goyne, Tammi Matthias

OTHERS PRESENT: Heather Borck. Sheila Quince, Bob Fraser

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lowe at 9:05 p.m.

Public Comments

No public comments.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

No Quorum

UPDATE: Covid-19 changes to wine competition

Chair Lowe informed the committee that the protocol for wine judging competitions that has been approved by the county health department includes that judges are not to be flown in. He has worked with staff to work on an alternate judges list. Pro Wine Coordinator Quince reported that there are eight judges that alternates will be selected for. She indicated that out of state judges had been cancelling. Those that hadn't cancelled yet she has contacted and let them know that safety is our top priority, therefore, we would not be flying anyone in for the competition.

Exhibits Coordinator Borck reported that there are currently 17 entries from 6 brands and that electronic communication has been sent out to the wineries regarding entries being open.

Request for future agenda items

None

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25pm