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BOARD MEETING MINUTES - SUMMARY

Administration Building Board Room
18700 Lake Perris Drive, Perris, CA 92571
March 26, 2025

Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81355031204>
Toll Free Number: One tap mobile +13462487799,81355031204
Meeting ID: 813 5503 1204
Passcode: 439278

All matters noticed on this agenda may be considered for action. Items listed on the agenda may be considered in any order at the discretion of the Board President. Any item not so noticed will not be considered or discussed. Per CDC and State of California requirements, masks may be required to attend this meeting.

1) CALL TO ORDER at 4:01pm

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE [led by Director Skala](#)

3) ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS: Directors Present, Directors Excused

A motion and second is requested to excuse the absence of any Directors under this agenda item.

[Present Directors: Almiron, Palumbo, Yeager, Skala, Scott.](#)

[Absent: Director Bruno and Director Magnuson.](#)

[A motion a to excuse Director Bruno and Director Magnuson was made by Director Scott and seconded by Director Almiron.](#)

[Motion carried, 5-0.](#)

4) INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS & STAFF

[Online: Rick Persons – consultant, Megan Nakoo - CDFA Legal.](#)

[Present: Linda – Staff, Alicia – Staff, Russ – CEO.](#)

5) PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

In accordance with state law, the Board will not comment or otherwise consider Public Comment matters until and unless such items have been properly noticed on a future meeting agenda. [No public comment](#)

6) CLOSED SESSION (Action to adjourn for Closed Session) [at 4:05pm](#)

The Board will meet in closed Session to confer with and/or receive legal advice from counsel or the represented delegate to discuss the matters listed below. All guests and audience will be asked to adjourn meeting at this time.

a) Real Estate Negotiations per Government Code 11126 (c)(7)

1) Department of Water Resources land transfer of deed 5/acres.

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- b) Personnel matters related to the CEO under Government Code §11126(a)(1)
 - 1) CEO Evaluation

7) RECONVENE OPEN SESSION Report of any action taken during Closed Session
at 4:39pm, no action reported.

8) CONSENT AGENDA (*Discussion/Action by Board*)

All matters listed are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved in one motion unless the Directors request a specific item be considered separately.

- a) Review and Approval of February 26th, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes
A motion to approve was made by Director Almiron and seconded by Vice President Palumbo.
Motion carried, 5-0.

9) REPORTS AND INFORMATION (Informational)

- a) Correspondence – Training reminder
- b) CEO Report
 - 1) Day to Day Operations Update
 - 2) California Construction Authority UpdateThanked all staff, event center sound, electrical replaced with panel, Form 700 due, Master Gardener project, new sweeper, electrical upgrades.
- c) Management Consultant Report
 - 1) DWR Project OversightLong term agreement for 5-acre use, finalization for electronic sign board agreement, DWR baseline schedule.
- d) Committee Reports
 - 1) Finance Committee
 - 2) DWR Ad-Hoc Committee
 - 3) Fairgrounds and Contracts Committee
 - 4) Junior Livestock Committee
 - 5) Policy Committee
- e) Barn Bash Report
- f) Friends of So Cal Fair Report – meeting at Derby Room at 9:30 am on March 29th.

10) NEW BUSINESS (Action required)

- a) Review and Approval of December 2024 Financials / 2024 STOP
 - 1) Balance Sheet

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- 2) Profit and Loss Statement
- 3) AP Payments/AR Aged Invoices/General Ledger

A motion to amend February Minutes to include approval of 2024 STOP was made by Director Scott and seconded by Vice President Palumbo.
Motion carried, 5-0.

b) Review and Approval of January 2025 Financials

- 1) Balance Sheet
- 2) Profit and Loss Statement
- 3) AP Payments/AR Aged Invoices/General Ledger

A motion to approve the January and February 2025 Financials was made by Vice President Palumbo and seconded by Director Almiron.
Motion carried, 5-0.

c) Review and Approval of February 2025 Financials

- 1) Balance Sheet
- 2) Profit and Loss Statement
- 3) AP Payments/AR Aged Invoices/General Ledger

A motion to approve the January and February 2025 Financials was made by Vice President Palumbo and seconded by Director Almiron.
Motion carried, 5-0.

d) Review and Approval of 2025 Budget

A motion to approve the 2025 Budget and 24/25 Allocation was made by Director Almiron and seconded by Vice President Palumbo.
Motion carried, 5-0.

e) Request for the FY24/25 Base Allocation

A motion to approve the 2025 Budget and 24/25 Allocation was made by Director Almiron and seconded by Vice President Palumbo.
Motion carried, 5-0.

f) Board of Directors Executive Leadership Appointments (President/Vice President) tabled till next meeting.

g) Discussion and official position of Assembly Bill AB98

Map clarified parcels in bill, does not include Fairgrounds.

A motion was made by Director Almiron and seconded by Vice President Palumbo to request a letter of opposition be submitted unless amended with CC to CDFA and WFA.
Motion carried, 5-0.

11) MATTERS OF INFORMATION: (Informational – No deliberation/action)

a) Directors' Comments

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Director Almiron – Board appointments grievance.

Vice President – board appointments, requested Zoom to meet Quorum, thanked Russ for his hard work.

Director Scott – expressed frustration with reappointments and empty seats. Has noticed the progress on grounds.

President Yeager – thanked Russ for accepting the challenge, appreciates staff.

Megan Nakao noted the Directors' grievances.

12) IMPORTANT 2025 DATES: (Review and Approve)

Board Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 4:00 pm unless otherwise specified.

April 23, 2025; May 28, 2025; June 25, 2025; July 23, 2025; August 27, 2025; September 24, 2025; October 22, 2025; November 19, 2025; December 17, 2025.

13) Adjournment: at 5:24pm

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