



**53<sup>rd</sup> District Agriculture Association  
Desert Empire Fairgrounds and Events Center**

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**53RD DISTRICT DESERT EMPIRE FAIRGROUNDS AND EVENTS  
CENTER  
AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION  
AGENDA**

**Virtual Meeting of the Board of Directors**

**This Virtual board meeting is called in accordance with Governor Gavin Newsom's proclaiming a State of Emergency to exist on March 4, 2020 as a result of the threat of COVID-19 and the March 12, 2020 Executive Order N-25-20. Board Directors and staff of the California Department of Food and Agriculture may attend this meeting telephonically without notice of or access to their teleconference location. Members of the public may attend the meeting and provide comment at the meeting location noticed above. Any item not so noticed on this agenda will not be considered or discussed.**

**April 17, 2020**

**12 p.m.**

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## Mission Statement

*To serve as a well-managed, safe, multi-purpose, year-round facility which meets the diverse educational, recreational, economic, social and entertainment needs of the residents and communities of the 53rd District Agricultural Association.*

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All matters noticed on this agenda, in any category, may be considered for action as listed. Any items not so noticed may not be considered. All times indicated, and the order of business is approximate and subject to change at the discretion of the President.

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- IV. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**
- V. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. All items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be approved in one motion unless comment or discussion is desired. If comment or discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and be considered separately before action is taken.

- 1. Approval of Minutes – None**
- 2. Approval of Contracts – None**

## **VI. PUBLIC COMMENT**

A. Speakers are limited to three (3) minutes. This time is for items not on the current agenda. No debate by the Board shall be permitted on such public comment. No action will be taken on such comment at this time as law requires formal public notice prior to any action on a docket item. Public comments on items listed elsewhere on the agenda will be heard as that item is being considered.

**VII. MANAGER REPORT – Verbal Only**

**VIII. CORRESPONDENCE**

**IX. STANDING BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Events Planning Promotion and Marketing (Eddins)
  - Did not meet
- B. Policy and Financial (Laire)
  - Did not Meet
- C. Fairgrounds Planning (Kight)
  - Did Not Meet
- D. Executive Committee (Eddins)
  - None
- E. Volunteer Community Committee Reports
  - A. Livestock - Curtis Moore
  - B. Still Exhibits – Pamela Todd
- F. Benevolent Organizations
  - Friends of the Fair – Larry Hauser

**X. AGENDA ACTION Items**

- **Approve 2020 Budget**
- **Approve February Financials**
- **Approve Grant for General Operational Support MOU**
- **Approve Resolution to Determine the Eligibility of Fairgrounds to receive Sales and Use Tax Allocations AB 1499 Funding Under Executive Order N-40-20**
- **Approve Contracting Policies and Procedures as required by Business and Professions Code (BPC) section 19620.15**

**XI. Old Business (Info/Action)**

**XII. New Business (Info/Action)**

**XIII. Future Agenda Items – Board Information**

**XIV. Next Board Meeting TBD**

**XX. Adjournment**