

Sonoma County Fair
**APPROVED Minutes of the
Racing Committee Meeting**
Thursday, April 15, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

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

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Teejay Lowe, Chair; Max Mickelsen, Vice Chair; Hugo Mata, Carole Quandt

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Tony Geraldi

OTHER DIRECTORS PRESENT: Lisa Wittke Schaffner, Annette O’Kelly, Annette

OTHERS PRESENT: Becky Bartling, Kaitlyn Findley-Thorn, Debbie Townsend, Cliff Sanders, Michael Margetts, Caroline Titus, Tag Wotherspoon

The meeting was called to order by Chair Lowe at 5:00p.m. and roll call was taken.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Director Mickelsen moved to approve the agenda; Director Mata seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING 2021 RACE MEET DATES:

CEO Bartling reported that due to the continued uncertainty of COVID, holding a traditional Fair and Race meet is not financially feasible. Bartling added that the Fair Ops committee is recommending to the Full Board, that a modified event be held instead, and staff recommends that the 2021 race meet be held at Golden Gate Fields. Discussions ensued. **Director Mickelsen moved to approve allowing staff to negotiate terms with Golden Gate Fields to hold our 2021 Race Meet; Director Quandt seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.**

UPDATE ON JOCKEY CLUB:

CEO Bartling reported the Jockey Club continues to be closed for satellite wagering, and that the facility is still being used as a COVID-19 testing site through the end of June. **No action taken.**

REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: None

There being no further business, Director Mata moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:11p.m., seconded by Director Quandt; the motion passed unanimously.