



**Board of Directors Meeting  
January 25, 2018**

**Please silence your cell phones**

The Mission of OCFEC is...

Celebration of Orange County's  
Communities, Interests,  
Agriculture and Heritage

*(with results justifying resources expended)*

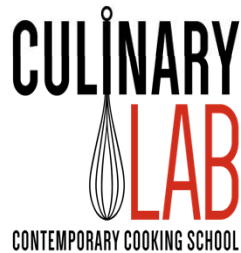


# 5. CEO's Operational Announcements & Updates



# HATCH KITCHEN

AN INCUBATOR FOR TOMORROW'S CULINARY LEADERS



Mission:

"To empower underserved youth by providing food education, resources, and opportunities necessary to thrive as individuals and nourish their communities."

# 5. CEO's Operational Announcements & Updates





**Great Train Show  
Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 3-4**



**Garden Class: Floral Jewelry Design  
Saturday, Feb. 10**



**Garden Class: All About Olive Oil  
Saturday, Feb. 3**

**Baby  
Date**

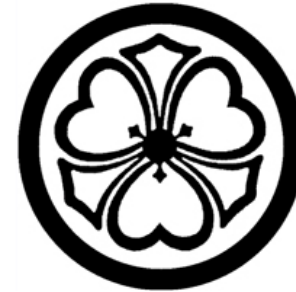
**Baby Date Festival  
Sunday, Feb. 11**



**Fight Club OC**  
**Thursday, Feb. 15**



**UVSA Tet Festival**  
**Friday-Sunday, Feb. 16-18**



**Goodwill Karate Tournament**  
**Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 17-18**



**Pacific Coast Sportfishing**  
**Friday-Sunday, Feb. 16-18**



**Garden Class – Ikebana Floral Arranging  
Saturday, Feb. 17**



**Gem Faire  
Friday-Sunday, Feb. 23-25**



**Orange County Home & Garden Show  
Friday-Sunday, Feb. 23-25**



**Garden Class – Home Grown Tomatoes  
Saturday, Feb. 24**





**Cirque du Soleil - LUZIA**  
**February 21 – March 18**



**Monday-Friday: 1p.m.-4p.m.**  
**Saturday-Sunday: 9a.m.-4p.m.**



**Daily 11a.m.-5p.m.**



**Saturdays/Sundays, 7a.m.-4p.m.**



**Thursday, 9a.m.-1p.m.**

## 6. Matters of Public Comment

Speakers are requested to sign in prior to the start of the meeting and are limited to three minutes. Public comment is allowed on issues NOT on the current Agenda. However, no debate by the Board shall be permitted on such public comments, and no action will be taken on such public comment items at this time, as law requires formal public notice prior to any action on a docket item.

Comments will be accepted on Agenda items during the meeting. Speakers wishing to address the Board on items on the agenda are requested to sign in prior to the start of the meeting and identify the agenda item[s] on which you desire to address the Board. Speakers are limited to three minutes.



# 7. Minutes

A. Board Meeting held December 14, 2017  
Action Item



## 8. Consent Calendar: (Policy Reference: 4.3.4)

All matters listed under Consent Calendar are operational matters about which the Board has governing policies, implementation of which is delegated to the CEO. They will be enacted in one motion by category in the order listed below. There will be no discussion of these items prior to the time the Board of Directors votes on the motion, unless members of the board, staff or public request specific items to be discussed separately and/or removed from this section.

Any member of the public who wishes to discuss Consent Calendar items should notify the Chair of the Board, at the time requested and be recognized by invitation of the Chair to address the Board.



# 9A. Committee/Task Force/Liaison Reports

## **INFORMATION ITEM:**

To assure compliance with the Bagley-Keene Act, Committee reports are only for the purpose of the Committee chair, Task Force members or Liaison to provide a verbal update. Should the Board want to discuss any Committee work item not already on the agenda; those would need to be agendized for a future Board meeting.

- i. Centennial Farm Foundation Board (Director Cervantes)
- ii. Heroes Hall Veterans Foundation Board (Director Berardino, Director La Belle)
- iii. Financial Monitoring Committee (Director Pham, Director Mouet)
- iv. 2018 OC Fair City Liaison Committee (Director La Belle, Director Cervantes)
- v. Legislative Monitoring Task Force (Director Berardino, Director Aitken)
- vi. Master Site Plan Task Force (Director La Belle, Director Ruiz)
- vii. Tenant Liaison Committee (Director Tkaczyk, Director Berardino)
- viii. Equestrian Center Task Force (Director Aitken, Director Tkaczyk)
- ix. Pacific Amphitheatre Operation Evaluation & Review Task Force (Director Berardino, Director Tkaczyk)
- x. Community Outreach & Education Task Force (Chair Bagneris, Director Berardino)



## 9B. Centennial Farm Foundation Report from New Foundation President, Marc Van Eden

### **INFORMATION ITEM:**

Chair Bagneris requested that a representative of the Centennial Farm Foundation provide an information update to the Board of Directors on fundraising and grant activities.

Marc Van Eden, the incoming Centennial Farm Foundation Board President, will provide an update on Foundation activities and plans for the coming year. Dr. Van Eden, Ph.D. is the Vice President of Business Development for Zymo Research Corporation, an Irvine-based biotechnology company, and has served on the Centennial Farm Foundation Board since February, 2017.



## 9C. Cannabis Event Guidelines Report and Policy Discussion

At the November, 2017 Board meeting, the Board of Directors gave direction to staff to review the California Department of Food & Agriculture (CDFA) Cannabis Event Guidelines and to bring back recommendations to the Board for consideration.

Staff will present findings on the CDFA Cannabis Event Guidelines. In addition, representatives from the City of Costa Mesa will provide information on the City's Ordinance No. 17-16 regarding marijuana uses and activities. The Board will determine whether or not cannabis events will be held on District property.





# **Cannabis Events at OC Fair & Event Center**



# First Steps

## Board Direction to Staff

- **Research information regarding cannabis events from the CA Department of Agriculture and prepare a presentation for Board consideration**

## Public Discussion

- **Board to consider:**
  - 1. Community values and standards in regards to cannabis as reflected by local city and county cannabis ordinances
  - 2. Proximity to schools, youth recreation centers, parks and other areas where minors congregate
  - 3. Potential federal enforcement on cannabis law
  - 4. Relationship with local law enforcement
- **Board to discuss during an open public meeting**



# City of Costa Mesa

## Marijuana Ordinance

### ARTICLE 20. - MARIJUANA AND/OR MEDICAL MARIJUANA USES AND ACTIVITIES

#### Sec. 13-200. 84. - Purpose.

The purpose of this article is to prohibit marijuana-related uses and activities in order to promote the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the residents and the businesses within the city by maintaining local control over the ability to authorize and regulate marijuana -related businesses, including cultivation. Except as preempted by state law, or as specifically authorized by Chapter VI of Title 9, Chapter IX and Articles 20 and 21 of this Title, this prohibition includes all marijuana related uses and activities, including but not limited to dispensing, cultivating, transporting, distributing, processing, delivering, manufacturing, labeling, testing, and/ or selling, whether for recreational, medical, or any other use.



# City of Costa Mesa

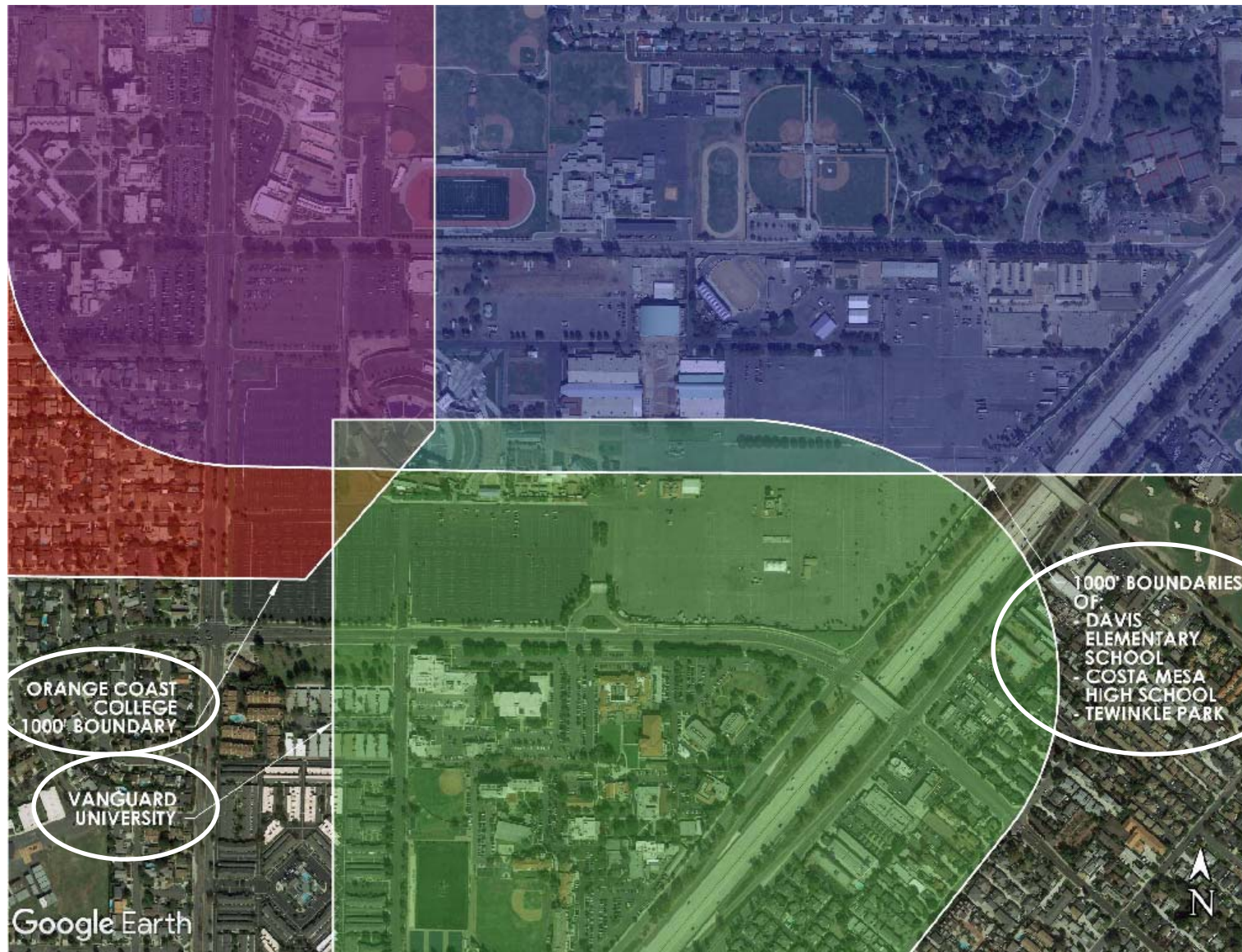
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## **Sec. 13- 200.85. - Applicability.**

- a) Nothing in this article is intended, nor shall it be construed, to burden any defense to criminal prosecution under the Compassionate Use Act of 1996.
- b) All the provisions of this article shall apply to all property, public and private, within the city.
- c) All the provisions of this article shall apply indoors and outdoors.



# Proximity to Schools, Youth Recreation Centers, Parks or Areas Where Minors Congregate



# Potential Federal Enforcement on Cannabis Law

- Regardless of California State Law, marijuana is a Schedule 1 controlled substance under federal law. Possessing or participating in the manufacturing, distributing, dispensing of marijuana is a federal violation and may be subject to federal enforcement which is carried out by the U.S. Department of Justice.
- Through a federal budget act, first passed by Congress in 2015 and extended through 2017, the DOJ is prohibited from using federal funds to take enforcement actions against medical cannabis operations and medical cannabis users under a State regulated program. Note that this applies only to medical cannabis, not adult use.
- Recreational use of cannabis is prohibited for individuals less than 21 years of age. In addition, medical use requires a medical marijuana identification card or physician's letter recommending use.
- Smoking cannabis for medical purposes carries the same restrictions as state and local tobacco use restrictions. Smoking for recreational purposes is strictly prohibited in public.



# OCFEC Relationship with Local Law Enforcement

- The OC Fair & Event Center has very good working relationships with all first responders including:
  - Costa Mesa Police Department
  - Costa Mesa Fire Department
  - Orange County Sheriffs Department
  - EMS



# Next Steps

## Board Direction to Staff

- Board to provide direction to staff to draft a policy to either allow or prohibit cannabis-related events at OC Fair & Event Center per the outcome of the public Board discussion

## Policy Development

- Staff to bring back draft policy language per Board direction at a future Board meeting for approval





## 9D. Board of Directors Governance Training Workshop at March Board of Directors Meeting

### **INFORMATION ITEM:**

While attending the Western Fairs Association convention, Chair Bagneris participated in a Fair Directors training workshop that provided new California Department of Food & Agriculture training materials on best practices and roles and responsibilities as a Fair Director. Chair Bagneris suggested that the same type of training workshop would be beneficial for the entire OCFEC the Board of Directors.



## 9D. Board of Directors Governance Training Workshop at March Board of Directors Meeting

### **INFORMATION ITEM:**

A Board of Directors training workshop will be conducted at the March 22<sup>nd</sup> Board of Directors meeting. Bill Kelly from Kelly Associates Management Group will facilitate this Board training workshop. We are allocating up to three hours for this portion of the meeting.

In addition, the Board of Directors Governing Policy 4.5 – Board Members' Code of Conduct, recommends annual governance training for Directors.



## 10. Closed Session

A. Pending Litigation – The Board will meet in closed session to consult with legal counsel regarding the following pending litigation. [Gov. Code section 11126(e).]

- i. To confer with and receive advice from legal counsel regarding potential litigation involving the 32nd District Agricultural Association. Based on existing facts and circumstances, the Board of Directors will decide whether to initiate litigation.
- ii. To confer with and receive advice from legal counsel regarding potential litigation involving the 32nd District Agricultural Association. Based on existing facts and circumstances, there is significant exposure to litigation against the 32nd District Agricultural Association.
- iii. To confer with counsel, discuss, and consider the following pending litigation to which the 32nd District Agricultural Association is a party: The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors on behalf of the bankruptcy estate of HH Liquidation, LLC, et al. v. 32nd District Agricultural Association, United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Delaware, Case No. 17-51212 (KG)



11. Board of Directors' Matters of Information

**Next Board Meeting**

**February 22, 2018**



OC Fair & Event Center – Costa Mesa, California