

**MINUTES OF OCFEC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
HELD April 26, 2018**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair Bagneris called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**2. MISSION STATEMENT**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Director Aitken. Roll call was taken by Summer Angus.

**4. DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

Chair Bagneris, Vice Chair Ruiz, Director Berardino, Director Mouet, Director Aitken, Director Tkaczyk, Director La Belle and Director Cervantes.

**DIRECTORS ABSENT/EXCUSED:** Newton Pham

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Kathy Kramer, OCFEC CEO; Michele Richards, OCFEC Vice President, Business Development, Ken Karns, OCFEC Vice President, Operations; Adam Carleton, OCFEC Vice President, Finance & Administration; Summer Angus, OCFEC Executive Assistant; Josh Caplan, Office of the Attorney General; Luis Hernandez, Stenographer; Charlie Johnson, Johnson Consulting; Larry Frapwell, HPI; Elizabeth Shreeve, SWA, Theresa Sears; Reggie Mundekis; Beth Refakes; Gibran Stout; Anna Vrska; Mary Spadone; Jay Humphrey; Ms. Kessler; Ellena Carrugan; David Padilla; Sandra Genis, Costa Mesa Mayor; Marcie Evans; Connie Nelson; Kathrine Morse; Kennedy Crane; Courtney McCain; Cynthia Crane; Susan Burnside; Eileen Anderson; Susan Seger; Stephanie Couch; Molly Brock; Lianne Kasulas; Carolyn Beaver; Gary Monahan; Bill Blanning; Cindy Black; Maggie McKittrick; Patti Stone; Susan Escobar; Marianne Horne

**5. CEO'S OPERATIONAL UPDATE**

Kathy Kramer, OCFEC CEO, delivered a recap of the Imaginology event that took place earlier in the month.

Kramer announced the first group of Hatch Culinary Lab students that completed their culinary training class and gave a recap of the program. She thanked Chair Bagneris, Director Aitken and Director Berardino for attending the graduation class.

Kramer commented on the Goat Yoga class that was held the prior weekend at Centennial Farm.

Kramer shared that OCFEC was proud to showcase its agricultural programs to a group of 150 FFA students that toured Centennial Farm.

Adam Carleton, OCFEC VP Finance & Administration presented the 2018 March financials.

Kramer announced the publication of OCFEC's first Community Impact Report.

Michele Richards, OCFEC VP of Business Development, provided an overview of upcoming events.

Richards presented a certificate of appreciation to Gary Kutscher, of the OC Marathon for 10 years at OCFEC. Kutscher spoke about the OC Marathon's tenure at OCFEC and the upcoming marathon. Kutscher presented the Board of Directors with a commemorative medal.

Richards presented a certificate of appreciation to Brad and Jaleen Oxley, of Costa Mesa Speedway, congratulating them for 50 years at OCFEC.

## **6. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chair Bagneris asked the public to turn in all cards for public comment.

Mary Spadone asked about the availability of wheelchairs for the handicapped at all events. She suggested the Board create a policy requiring OCFEC to provide wheelchairs at events.

Beth Refakis, Costa Mesa resident, spoke about the gun show events. She stated that she is a supporter of 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment rights. She asked questions regarding sales tax and city business licenses.

Gibran Stout commented on the Imaginology event and the horse demonstrations she facilitated.

Ana Vrska suggested the Board consider having evening meetings. She criticized the order of the meeting agenda items.

Reggie Mundekis asked that the new Board of Directors email addresses be made public. She suggested that public comment cards be allowed prior to each item being called, rather than at the beginning of the meeting.

## **7. MINUTES:**

### **A. Board Meeting held March 22, 2018**

**ACTION:** Vice Chair Ruiz motioned and Director Cervantes seconded to review and approve the minutes from the Board meeting held March 22, 2018. **MOTION CARRIED. AYES: Chair Bagneris, Vice Chair Ruiz, Director Berardino, Director Mouet, Director Aitken, Director Tkaczyk, Director La Belle and Director Cervantes. NAYES: None.**

## 8. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Standard Agreements:** SA-002-18PA; SA-020-18PA; SA-021-18PA; SA-025-18PA; SA-030-18AS; SA-055-18IO; SA-059-18HB; SA-062-18GE; SA-063-18HB; SA-068-18GE; SA-070-18GE; SA-071-18BB; SA-072-18BB; SA-073-18AS; SA-074-18GE; SA-075-18GE; SA-076-18GE; SA-077-18GE; SA-078-18GE; SA-079-18HB; SA-080-18BB; SA-082-18GE; SA-083-18SP; SA-084-18SP; SA-088-18GE; SA-090-18FT ; SA-091-18SP; SA-092-18SP; SA-093-18SP; SA-107-18SP; SA-114-18SP; SA-115-18SP; SA-116-18FT; SA-118-18YR; SA-124-18SP; SA-125-18SP; SA-127-18SP; SA-128-18SP
- B. Amendments:** SA-240-16SP (Amend. #1); SA-096-17YR (Amend. #2); SA-174-17SP (Amend. #1); SA-111-18AS (Amend. #1);
- C. Rental Agreements:** 18-IO-FE-69; 18-IO-FE-70; R-007-18; R-008-18; R-009-18; R-010-18; R-011-18; R-023-18; R-031-18; R-035-18; R-037-18; R-038-18; R-039-18; R-042-18; R-062-18; R-064-18; R-065-18; R-070-18; R-076-18; R-084-18; R-085-18; R-091-18; R-092-18; R-096-18; R-098-18; R-099-18; R-100-18
- D. Active Joint Powers Authority Agreements:** 032-18-005
- E. Commercial Rental Agreements:** 18001; 18002; 18003;18004; 18005; 18006; 18007; 18008; 18009; 18010 ;18011; 18012; 18013; 18014; 18015; 18016; 18017; 18018; 18019; 18020; 18021; 18022; 18023; 18024; 18025; 18026; 18028; 18030; 18031; 18034; 18035; 18036; 18037; 18038; 18039; 18040; 18041; 18042; 18043; 18044; 18045; 18047; 18048; 18049; 18050; 18051; 18052; 18053; 18054; 18055; 18056; 18057; 18060; 18061; 18062; 18063; 18064; 18066; 18067; 18069; 18070; 18071; 18072; 18073; 18074; 18076; 18077; 18078; 18079; 18080; 18081; 18082; 18083; 18084; 18085; 18086; 18087; 18088; 18089; 18090; 18091; 18092; 18093; 18094; 18095; 18096; 18097; 18098; 18099; 18100; 18102; 18103; 18104; 18105; 18106; 18107; 18108; 18109; 18110; 18111; 18112; 18113; 18116; 18117; 18119; 18120; 18121; 18122; 18123; 18124; 18125; 18126; 18127; 18128; 18130; 18131; 18132; 18133; 18134; 18135; 18136; 18137; 18138; 18139; 18141; 18142; 18143; 18144; 18145; 18146; 18147; 18148; 18149; 18151; 18153; 18154; 18156; 18157; 18159; 18160; 18162; 18163; 18164; 18165; 18166; 18167; 18168; 18169; 18170; 18171; 18172; 18173; 18174; 18175; 18176; 18177; 18179; 18180; 18181; 18182; 18183; 18185; 18186; 18187; 18188; 18189; 18190;

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18210; 18211; 18214; 18216; 18217; 18218; 18219; 18220; 18222;  
18223; 18224; 18225; 18226; 18227; 18229; 18231; 18232; 18233

**F. Concession Rental Agreements:** 18500; 18501; 18502; 18503; 18505;  
18506; 18507; 18508; 18509; 18510; 18511; 18512; 18513; 18514;  
18515; 18516; 18517; 18518; 18519; 18520; 18521; 18522; 18523;  
18524; 18525; 18526; 18527; 18528; 18529; 18530; 18531; 18532;  
18533; 18534; 18535; 18536; 18537; 18538; 18539; 18540; 18541

**G. Independent Amusement Agreements:** 18647

**H. Platinum Rental Agreements:** 18700; 18703; 18704; 18705; 18707;  
18708; 18709; 18710; 18711; 18712; 18713; 18715; 18717; 18718;  
18719; 18720; 18721; 18722; 18723; 18724; 18725; 18726; 18727;  
18729; 18730; 18731; 18732; 18733; 18734; 18736

**I. Judging Agreements:** GF-032-18; GF-0323-18; GF-034-18; GF-035-  
18; GF-036-18; GF-037-18

**J. Correspondence:**

Communications to the Board from the public in response to Board discussion or to comments made before the Board are to be listed on the meeting agenda and included in the Board materials as an item of public disclosure.

i. none.

**K. CDFA Correspondence:**

Communications to the Board from the California Department of Food & Agriculture Division of Fairs & Expositions regarding relevant topics at Fairs and Expositions.

i. none.

*-End of Consent Calendar-*

Gibran Stout criticized that no correspondence were listed on the consent calendar. She asked that the Board of Directors emails be posted on the OC FEC website.

Director Berardino pulled agreements SA-096-17-YR (Amend. #2), R-007-18, R-062-18, R-064-18, R-084-18, R099-18, R-100-18, GF-032-18, GF-0323-18, GF-034-18, GF-035-18, GF-036-18 and GF-037-18 for further discussion

Director Labelle pulled agreements R-098-18, 18503, 18506, 18522,

18525 and 18526 for further discussion.

**ACTION:** Director Cervantes motioned and Director La Belle seconded to review and approve the Consent Calendar with agreements SA-096-17-YR (Amend. #2), R-007-18, R-062-18, R-064-18, R-084-18, R099-18, R-100-18, GF-032-18, GF-0323-18, GF-034-18, GF-035-18, GF-036-18, GF-037-18, R-098-18, 18503, 18506, 18522, 18525 and 18526 pulled for discussion. **MOTION CARRIED. AYES: Chair Bagneris, Vice Chair Ruiz, Director Berardino, Director Mouet, Director Aitken, Director Tkaczyk, Director La Belle and Director Cervantes. NAYES: None.**

Director Berardino voiced his concerns with agreement SA-096-17-YR (Amend. #2).

Director Tkaczyk motioned to table agreement SA-096-17-YR (Amend. #2) to discussion at a future date.

**ACTION:** Director Tkaczyk motioned and Director Aitken seconded to table Standard Agreement SA-096-YR (Amend #2). **MOTION CARRIED. AYES: Chair Bagneris, Vice Chair Ruiz, Director Berardino, Director Mouet, Director Aitken, Director Tkaczyk, Director La Belle and Director Cervantes. NAYES: None.**

Director Berardino spoke regarding the rental agreements he pulled and questioned the timing of those items on the consent calendar. He spoke his concerns about the Board retroactively approving events.

Chair Bagneris commented on Board policy and CEO delegated authority.

Josh Caplan, Office of the Attorney General, spoke generally on Board delegated authority to the CEO to enter into revenue generating event agreements.

Board discussion ensued.

Chair Bagneris stated that it was her and Vice Chair Ruiz's goal to go through all of the Board policies and make sure they are relevant and updated as needed.

Director La Belle disclosed his shares if Southwest Airlines stock relating to the agreement R-098-18 and stated he would be abstaining from vote on that particular agreement.

**ACTION:** Vice Chair Ruiz motioned and Director Cervantes seconded to review and approve Rental Agreements R-098-18, R-007-18, R-062-18, R-064-18, R-084-18, R099-18 and R-100-18 of the Consent Calendar. **MOTION CARRIED. AYES: Chair Bagneris, Vice Chair Ruiz, Director**

**Mouet, Director Aitken, Director Tkaczyk, Director La Belle and Director Cervantes. NAYES: None. ABSTENTIONS: Director Berardino. ABSTENTIONS: Director La Belle (on agreement R-098-18 only).**

Director La Belle voiced his concerns regarding smoke generated by wood burning barbeque concessionaire vendors.

Chair Bagneris asked staff to address the issue.

Richards share the work staff has done to mitigate the smoke generated by wood burning barbeque concessionaire.

Board discussion ensued.

Richards stated that staff will reiterate standards at the upcoming concessions advisory committee and pre-fair meetings.

Board discussion ensued regarding increasing efforts and training to mitigate the barbeque smoke.

**ACTION:** Vice Chair Ruiz motioned and Director Aitken seconded to review and approve Concession Rental Agreements 18503, 18506, 18522, 18525, 18526 of the Consent Calendar. **MOTION CARRIED. AYES: Chair Bagneris, Vice Chair Ruiz, Director Mouet, Director Aitken, Director Tkaczyk, and Director Cervantes. NAYES: Director La Belle. ABSTENTIONS: Director Berardino.**

Director Berardino questioned retroactively voting on the Judging agreements, as they had already taken place.

Board discussion ensued relating to Board of Director training and timing of consent calendar items.

Kramer explained that consent calendar items that come before the Board after the event is due to timing.

Director Aitken commented on the CEO's signing authority.

Chair Bagneris reiterated that it is the Board's responsibility to set policy and staff to follow policy.

Continued Board discussion ensued around Board policy.

**ACTION:** Director Aitken motioned and Director La Belle seconded to review and approve Judging Agreements GF-032-18, GF-0323-18, GF-034-18, GF-035-18, GF-036-18 and GF-037-18 of the Consent Calendar. **MOTION CARRIED. AYES: Chair Bagneris, Vice Chair Ruiz, Director**

**Berardino, Director Mouet, Director Aitken, Director Tkaczyk, Director La Belle and Director Cervantes. NAYES: None. ABSTENTIONS: Director Berardino.**

**9. GOVERNANCE PROCESS:**

**A. Committee/Task Force/Liaison Reports**

- 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. Legislative Monitoring Task Force (Director Berardino, Director Aitken)
- v. Master Site Plan Task Force (Director La Belle, Vice Chair Ruiz)
- vi. Tenant Liaison Committee (Director Tkaczyk, Director Berardino)
- vii. Equestrian Center Task Force (Director Aitken, Director Tkaczyk)
- viii. Pacific Amphitheatre Operation Evaluation & Review Task Force (Director Berardino, Director Tkaczyk)

Chair Bagneris announced that all Equestrian Center and Master Site Plan public comment cards would be pulled during agenda item 9D. Draft Master Site Plan Concept Workshop with the exception of a Addison Riddlesberger, a young girl who is missing school to be able to speak.

Addison Riddlesberger, 11 year old Equestrian Center (EQC) user, spoke about joy and experience riding horses at the EQC.

Director Berardino, on behalf of the Heroes Hall Veterans Foundation Board, thanked Michele Richards and OC Supervisor Shawn Nelson for their work on sponsoring the upcoming Brave Minds exhibit at Heroes Hall.

Director Mouet, on behalf of the Financial Monitoring Committee reported that the committee met and had good meeting.

Reggie Mundekis spoke in opposition of State Assembly Bill AB 2396 and requested the Board to oppose the legislation.

Director Berardino, on behalf of the Legislative Monitoring Task Force, reported the committee had spoken with legislative representatives who suggested the Board keep a watch position on AB 2396.

**B. July and August Board of Directors Meetings**

**Action Item**

Jay Humphrey spoke in opposition of permanently canceling the July and August Board of Directors meetings.

Beth Refakis spoke in opposition of cancelling the July and August

Board of Directors meetings.

Anna Vrska spoke in opposition of cancelling the July and August Board of Directors meetings. Take responsibility.

Reggie spoke in opposition of cancelling the July and August Board of Directors meetings.

Chair Bagneris delivered staff report.

Director Berardino spoke in opposition of cancelling the August Board of Directors meeting.

Director Tkaczyk spoke in support of canceling the July Board of Directors meeting and spoke in opposition of canceling the August meeting.

Vice Chair Ruiz left the meeting.

Chair Bagneris clarified the motion to cancel the July Board of Directors meeting only.

Board discussion ensued.

**ACTION:** Director Aitken motioned and Director Tkaczyk seconded to review and approve the amended version of Article II, Section 3 of the 32nd District Agricultural Association Bylaws to include: The District hosts the annual OC Fair from mid-July to mid-August, as such no Board meeting will be held in the month of July. **MOTION CARRIED.**  
**AYES:** Chair Bagneris, Director Berardino, Director Mouet, Director Aitken, Director Tkaczyk, Director La Belle and Director Cervantes. **NAYES:** None.

### C. Centennial Farm Foundation Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

#### Action Item

Michele Richards presented the staff report. She highlighted the MOU and the removal of the annual \$45,000.00 contribution to OCFEC by the Centennial Farm Foundation. She also read an email from Claire Einsman, Vice President of Centennial Farm Foundation.

Chair Bagneris clarified that the action of the Board would be either to accept or reject the changes made to the MOU by the Centennial Farm Foundation (CFF).

Director Berardino stated the last version of the MOU sent to the CFF was the last and final offer. He motioned to reject the accepting the



MOU as changed by the CFF.

Director Tkaczyk spoke in support of rejecting the MOU.

Board discussion ensued.

Chair Bagneris reiterated that if the motion to reject the MOU is accepted and voted on, OCFEC and CFF will no longer have a relationship but can continue to operate as it has been.

Director Tkaczyk asked about next steps if the MOU is rejected and would like to see further action take place.

Director Berardino agreed and suggested further action be agendized for a future meeting. Chair Bagneris stated that she would take the suggestion under advisement.

**ACTION:** Director Berardino motioned and Director La Belle seconded to reject the Centennial Farm Foundation Memorandum of Understanding. **MOTION CARRIED. AYES: Chair Bagneris, Director Berardino, Director Mouet, Director Aitken, Director Tkaczyk and Director La Belle. NAYES: None. ABSTENTIONS: Director Cervantes.**

Director Cervantes left the meeting.

Meeting recessed at 11:19 a.m. and resumed at 11:40 a.m.

#### **D. Draft Master Site Plan Concept Workshop** Action Item

Chair Barbara delivered an agenda for Draft Master Site Plan Concept Workshop portion of the meeting.

Ken Karns, OCFEC VP Operations introduced the Master Site Plan consultants.

Charlie Johnson introduced the teams from, Johnson Consulting, SWA, HPI Architects. He gave a recap of the Master Site Plan process to date.

Elizabeth Shreeve of SWA presented physical layout of Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Larry Frappwell of HPI presented a chart of the age and condition of buildings on the fairgrounds.

Charlie Johnson of Johnson consulting spoke about the financial and demand profile of the venue and providing community service.

The consultants continued their presentation. They presented the different phases of the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Director La Belle asked questions regarding proposed changes to the administration building.

Chair Berardino asked for clarification whether or not the Equestrian Center exists on the Draft Master Site Plan Concept presented.

Shreeve stated the Equestrian Center (EQC) as a private use of seven and a half acres of activity in the north east corner is gone and elaborated the propose plan to incorporate equine use as part of the proposed livestock complex area.

Board discussion ensued regarding the Equestrian Center.

Frapwell stated the total cost of replacing of the existing EQC facilities would be approximately \$20 million as per the order of magnitude.

Board discussion continued regarding the EQC.

Shreeve continued through the rest of the phases for the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Charlie Johnson explained they compiled independent cost estimates to each of the improvement plans that gives the order of magnitude of what the capital improvement budget would be for the all of the different phases.

Board and consultant discussion ensued regarding the financing of the projects.

Director La Belle suggested to agendize moving forward to RFP to obtain a financial adviser as it relates to the financing projects of the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Board, counsel and consultant discussion continued regarding the financing of the projects.

Board and consultant discussion ensued regarding modifying the phases presented and individual projects according to priority.

Public comments:

Ms. Kessler, Costa Mesa resident, read letter sent to OC Vaulting regarding Costa Mesa Resident visit to the Equestrian Center.

Ellena Carrigan spoke regarding her daughter's involvement at the Equestrian Center. She spoke in opposition of any changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

David Padilla, former OCFEC Board member, spoke about the role the Equestrians played in the Fair Sale Review Committee and their contribution against the sale of the OCFEC grounds.

Sandra Genis, City of Costa Mesa Mayor, spoke her concerns with certain proposed changes within the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Marcie Evans, Costa Mesa Resident and EQC user, spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Anna Vrska criticized the draft concept and the Master Site Plan (MSP) process. She shared her concerns with incurring debt as a result of the of the MSP proposed projects. She spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept. She requested the Board of Directors meetings be held in the evening.

Gibran Stout spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept. She shared the different programs available at the EQC.

Theresa Sears spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept. She shared the history of horses at the fairgrounds. She spoke in opposition of starting CEQA process.

Connie Nelson, spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept. She commented on the large animal evacuation and the horses housed on the OCFEC grounds during the fires.

Katherine Morse spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Megan, EQC user spoke about her experience at EQC. She spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Kennedy Crane spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Courtney McCain spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept. She asked some questions regarding costs of other projects of the draft plan.

Cynthia Crain spoke in support of the EQC and its programs and her daughter's experience at horse camp.

Marleen, Orange County resident, suggested enhancing the EQC to bring competitive events to the venue.

Beth Refakis spoke in opposition of the Draft Master Site Plan Concept. She asked questions regarding different phases of the draft concept.

Susan Burnside spoke in support of the EQC and its equine therapies and programs.

Patti Stone spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Susan Escobar spoke about the benefits of equine therapy.

Marianne Horne spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Speaker thanked the Board for serving community and spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Eileen Anderson spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Speaker stated that more space is needed for equestrians in Orange County, not less.

Speaker spoke about the benefits of equine therapy and her experience with the horses evacuated during fire.

Susan Seger, EQC user, shared that her daughter benefitted from equine therapy.

Stephanie Couch, a representative from Assemblyman Matthew Harper's office, read his letter from in which he spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Molly Brock, Equestrian Center trainer, read a letter from William Moroney, CEO of the United States Equestrian Federation, in support of

preserving the Orange County Equestrian Center and the programs it provides.

Lianne Kasulas questioned why an assessment for refurbishment of the Equestrian Center was not conducted. She shared her opinion of the condition of the Equestrian Center and spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Carolyn Beaver, horse boarder, spoke in favor of expanding the Equestrian Center and spoke in opposition of changes proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Reggie Mundekis spoke in opposition of the proposed Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Gary Monahan spoke in opposition of changes to the Equestrian Center as proposed in the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Speaker, read a statement from Bill Blanning, Equestrian Center user, which spoke in support of the Equestrian Center and the programs offered.

Cindy Black, Costa Mesa resident, presented the Board of Directors with a signatures from a petition to keep the Equestrian Center and to oppose the Draft Master Site Plan Concept.

Jay Humphrey spoke in opposition of the Draft Master Site Plan Concept and criticized the expansion of buildings and number of events.

Maggie McKittrick, trainer, spoke of the services and benefits of the provided by the Equestrian Center.

Meeting recessed at 3:21 p.m. and resumed at 3:34 p.m.

Director Aitken, on behalf of the Equestrian Center Task Force, thanked the public for their comments and for staying through the meeting. She reiterated that no decision in regard to the Draft Master Site Plan Concept has been made and because of having to follow Bagley-Keene, this meeting is the first opportunity the Board has had to discuss the draft concept.

Director Tkaczyk, on behalf of the Equestrian Center Task Force, asked for a report on the Equestrian Center to include number of 501 (c) (3) non-profits organizations, number of private businesses and number of public use opportunities available, to address the make-up of the Equestrian Center.

Chair Bagneris also asked the report to include the number of students that participate at the Equestrian Center.

Consultants facilitated workshop to prioritize portions of the Draft Master Site Plan Concept into categories; must have, nice to have, items to keep talking about and not necessary.

Kramer suggested the must have category to have contingents included.

Board and consultant discussion ensued.

Megan clarified that Board priority for the must have list are the improvements to Centennial Farm and new Education center.

Board discussion ensued regarding modular units to augment the Administration building capacity and a sally port.

Frapwell clarified that the estimate for the replacement cost of the Equestrian Center was an order of magnitude for the facility done by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party contractor.

Board discussion ensued regarding the Equestrian Center.

Director Aitken stated she would get an inventory of the business activities that are at the Equestrian Center as part of the Equestrian Center Task Force. She also stated she would like to get a second opinion on a refurbishment cost for the Equestrian Center.

Director Berardino suggested tabling a decision on the Draft Master Site Plan to a future Board meeting.

Board discussion ensued.

Chair Bagneris asked for a motion.

Director La Belle stated the motion to table the Draft Master Site Plan Concept to the May Board meeting with clear direction and have a must have list. He continued the Equestrian Center Task force will look at the financial matters relating to the Equestrian Center and come back as part of the Board's consideration.

**ACTION:** Director La Belle motioned and Director Berardino seconded to table the discussion on the Draft Master Site Plan Concept to the May Board of Directors meeting. **MOTION CARRIED. AYES: Chair Bagneris, Director Berardino, Director Mouet, Director Aitken, Director Tkaczyk, Director La Belle and NAYES: None.**

**10. CLOSED SESSION**

No closed Session

**11. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MATTERS OF INFORMATION**

Director Berardino requested to agendize a discussion to retain an independent performance auditor that would report directly to the Board of Directors on various departments.

Director Aitken complimented staff on the Imaginology event. She suggested a live feed of the Board of Directors meetings be something the Board to consider. She clarified to the public that that letters addressed to the Board of Directors are forwarded to them by staff.

Director Tkaczyk stated he liked hearing from the public. He stated his sometimes frustration with the public meeting process not being able to talk about issues outside of a public meeting.

Director Mouet stated it was a good meeting.


Director La Belle thanked the public for their comments. He commented on a meeting he had with staff and the new owner of the Art Astor collection. He requested a discussion regarding the Art Astor collection be agendized for the May Board of Director's meeting.

Chair Bagneris thanked Johnson Consultants. She thanked staff for the Imaginology event. She also thanked staff for their support of Hatch Culinary Lab program. Chair Bagneris stated that she will agendize an informational item on the gun show on the May agenda. She invited the Board of Directors to patriciate in a gun show tour on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**12. NEXT BOARD MEETING: MAY 24, 2018**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 4:56 p.m.

  
Barbara Bagneris, Chair

  
Kathy Kramer, Chief Executive Officer