

San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair
Board Meeting Minutes – Thursday, May 20, 2021
Conference call (605) 475-3220 Access Code 758600#

2021 Youth Fair Executive Director Ema Straser called the meeting to order at 7:32pm. Ema led the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge.

Roll Call and Quorum Check – Attendance was taken and it was determined that a quorum for the meeting was present.

Those who attended the conference call included:

Noel Keller	Dee Keese	Judylynn Pelling	Patrick Kam
Ibrahim Yaaseen	Ema Straser	Rick Herbert	Sophie Loewner
Lisa Loewner	Sara Castiglione	Jolynn Bottrell	Asa Yeck
Jennifer O’Neill	Emily O’Neill	Danielle Sevilla	Lydia O’Neill

Minutes Approval – It was moved by Noel, seconded by Patrick and passed to accept the minutes of the March 18, 2021 fair board meeting as published.

Treasurer’s Report – Johanna sent a report that the April balance of the fair account was \$12,465.53 and that included the entry fees, but not the expenses for the awards and engraving. It was moved by Sophie, seconded by Noel and passed to accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented.

Old Business - none

New Business

Fair comments and suggestions

- The 2021 SGV 4-H Fair happened and was a success. Thank yous went out to all who worked on the fair this year. The NSG district sent a basket of treats to thank Dee and Rick for all their hard work to make the fair happen during this year of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Next year we hope to have the Macy, Greenleaf and Altadena Foothills NSG/SSG 4-H clubs participating in the fair.
- Since we don’t know what the pandemic conditions will be next year, we will wait until fall to acquire a venue for the 2022 fair. We don’t know if some of our usual venues will be available. Dee has offered her home again, if needed.
- It was nice having more time for judging this year. Judging wasn’t rushed to fit into just Saturday morning.
- If we need to run the fair next year as this year, judging the first weekend works well and having the second weekend for the dog show, archery, animal showmanship, project viewing and activities would be good.
- The time of the fair party should be reconsidered. There was low attendance having it at the end of a busy fair day of other activities.
- This year we were seeing the result of COVID-19 fatigue. Next year, we hope to be back to a more normal, perhaps new normal, active participation in 4-H.

Fair Awards – The fair accounting of awards was sent to Noel to use in order awards for next year.

Club trophies – The club trophies were split by district to be engraved with the winning club for 2021.

Election and Nomination of the 2022 SGV 4-H Fair Executive Director

It was moved by Ema, seconded by Asa and passed to elect Sophie Loewner as the 2022 SGV 4-H Fair Youth Executive Director. It was moved by Rick, seconded by Danielle and passed to elect Dee Keese as the 2022 SGV 4-H Fair Adult Executive Director.

Remaining 2022 fair directors.

Dee has started a slate of the remaining 2022 SGV 4-H Fair adult and youth director positions. Please let her know if you are interested in a director position or want to nominate someone. Encourage your members and leaders to get involved. We usually elect the remaining fair director positions at our first fair planning meeting in the fall. Additional nominations will be accepted at the meeting before the election is held.

Thank yous – Again, everyone was thanked for the efforts and participation in the 2021 SGV 4-H Fair.

The next fair meeting is **Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 7:30pm by conference call.**

Adjournment – It was moved by Noel, seconded by Sophie and passed to adjourn the meeting. The fair meeting was adjourned at 7:56pm.

Reminders for the next meeting:

- Read the minutes of this meeting and be ready to vote on approving/correcting them. Please send any corrections to Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com).
- Look at the meeting agenda on the website and be prepared.
- This will be the first planning meeting for the 2022 SGV 4-H fair. At this meeting, the remaining youth and adult fair Directors for the next fair are usually elected.

Respectfully submitted,
Noel Keller