

San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair
Board Meeting Minutes – Thursday, Sept. 15, 2021
Conference call (605) 475-3220 Access Code 758600#

2022 Youth Fair Executive Director Sophie Loewner called the meeting to order at 7:31pm. Eisa Yaaseen led the Pledge of Allegiance and Sophie Loewner led 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	Rick Herbert
Ibrahim Yaaseen	Sophie Loewner	Jolynn Bottrell	Keanna Wills
Eisa Yaaseen	Johanna Stewart	Lisa Loewner	Sophia Kong
Emily Aye	Jonas Beadle	Marjorie Rodriguez	Sara Castiglione
Cynthia Hang			

Ground Rules – It was moved by Noel, seconded by Judylynn and passed to have the same ground rules for conduct at fair meeting as was used last year so the meetings will go correctly and politely.

Minutes Approval – It was moved by Judylynn, seconded by Rick and passed to accept the minutes of the May 19, 2022 fair board meeting as published.

Treasurer’s Report – Johanna reported that we have a current balance of \$10,695.51 in the fair account, with an anticipated reimbursement of \$35 for the fair website domain fee. It was moved by Noel, seconded by Jolynn and passed to accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented.

Old Business –

Slate of Other Directors submitted by PVP 4H Club – It was moved by Rick, seconded by Johanna and passed to accept and elect the 2023 slate of directors submitted by the PVP 4H Club as follows:

	Adult	Youth
Administration:	Rick Herbert	Ibrahim Yaaseen
Finance:	Johanna Stewart	Keanna Wills
General Plants & Animals:	Judylynn Pelling	Sophie Kong
Home Economics:	Cynthia Hang	Emily Aye
General & Others:	Lisa Loewner	Jonas Beadle
Primary:	Danielle Sevilla	Sara Castiglione
Arts & Crafts:	Jennifer O’Neill	Lydia O’Neill
Activities:	Jolynn Bottrell	Amber Gomringer
Large Livestock:	Patrick Kam	Jas Bakshi
Small Livestock:	Judy Bakshi	Dahlia Bakshi

Fair Venue – At this time with the COVID pandemic situation still going on, it has not been possible to find a venue for the 2023 fair. We don’t know what the situation will be next April. It was moved by Judylynn, seconded by Noel and passed to have the 2023 SGV 4-H Fair at the home of Dee Keese, like last year.

Fair Schedule –

In April 2023, Easter is on April 9 and there are five April weekends. We discussed having the fair on the fourth weekend, as usual. It was decided to tentatively have the fair entries dropped at the Keese home on April 14 and April 15, judged during the following week and picked up on Saturday, April 22 after 4pm after a day of fair activities. Fair entry forms would be due April 1 (postmarked) to Rick Herbert, but having a following grace period for forms arriving to Rick was questionable due to the early date of the fair.

Activities: Sat. April 22nd (Showmanship for large & small livestock & Dog Show) –

Activities for Saturday, April 22 were discussed. If COVID restrictions allow, we tentatively would like to have in-person activities including showmanship for large and small livestock 8:30-10am, dog show 2-4pm, and other fun activities 10am-2pm.

Fair BBQ – Last year people attending the second Saturday fair activities tended to leave the fair to go get a lunch. It was suggested last year that we should consider having a simple fair BBQ at the fair so that people would not leave this year. It was discussed that we have a simple BBQ around noon on April 22, with a \$5 preorder by April 15. Arranging a food truck for the fair was not considered possible for that neighborhood.

New Business

Fair meetings: Sept., Nov., Feb., March & May – It was moved by Noel, seconded by Jolynn and passed to tentatively have the same schedule of fair planning meetings as last year – Sept., Nov., Feb., March and May. If additional meetings are needed, they will be scheduled.

Website Domain Fee - It was moved by Jolynn, seconded by Noel and passed to pay Peter Michal \$35 for the fair website domain.

Fair Chair positions – Fair chair positions will not be elected this year. The fair directors will select the chairs that they need. In some cases, fair chair duties will be combined as the directors decide will work best for their departments. A youth fair chair should be at least 12 years old as of Dec. 31, 2022, according to the Fair Policy and Procedures Manual. Youth who are interested in being considered for a chair position should contact the fair director. The fair directors are asked to announce who their fair chairs are at the November fair planning meeting. Fair directors are also encouraged to start thinking about judges and clerks for their areas.

2022 Fair Theme – Please bring your suggestions for a theme for the 2023 SGV 4-H Fair to the November fair planning meeting.

2022 Fair Honor Court – NSG and SSG districts should bring their 2023 Fair Honor Court nominations to the November fair planning meeting.

Updating Fair Handbook – It was decided that the SGV Fair Handbook would not be updated this year and that changes would still be put in the 2023 SGV 4-H Fair flyersheet.

Food fair entries – We would like to have actual food and baked goods entries return to the fair, but at this time, it is unknown if we will be able to have food entries at the fair this year. Concern was raised about how many items would need to be made, when the items would be delivered for judging and if they would be available for auction. Details would need to be worked out

Hopefully, we will have a better idea by February what entries we can allow. The fair details are usually published at the end of February.

The next fair meeting is **Thursday, November 17, 2021 at 7:30pm by conference call.**

Adjournment – It was moved by Noel, seconded by Ibrahim and passed to adjourn the meeting. The fair meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

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.
- If you want to be a fair Chair, contact the fair director over the position before the meeting.
- Fair directors, bring the names of your Chairs for this year.
- Bring your suggestions for the 2023 SGV 4-H Fair theme.
- Districts, bring your nominations for the 2023 Fair Honor Court.

Respectfully submitted,
Noel Keller