

San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair
Board Meeting Minutes – Thursday, Sept. 16, 2021
Conference call (605) 475-3220 Access Code 758600#

2022 Youth Fair Executive Director Sophie Loewner called the meeting to order at 7:32pm. Emily Aye 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	Sophie Loewner	Jolynn Bottrell	Erin Murdoch
Jas Bakshi	Judy Bakshi	Dahlia Bakshi	Johanna Stewart
Emily Aye	Mrs. Yaaseen		

Ground Rules – It was moved by Judylynn, seconded by Noel 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 Noel, seconded by Patrick and passed to accept the minutes of the May 20, 2021 fair board meeting as published.

Treasurer’s Report – Johanna reported that we had income of \$400 in entry fees and expenses of \$377 for engraving, \$165 for awards and \$6 for check fees, resulting in the fair bank account balance of \$11,917.47. It was moved by Erin, seconded by Noel and passed to accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented. It was moved by Judy, seconded by Jolynn and passed to pay Peter Michal \$60 for the fair website domain.

Old Business –

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

	Adult	Youth
Administration:	Rick Herbert	Ibrahim Yaaseen
Finance:	Mary Lash & Johanna Stewart	Emily Aye
General Plants & Animals:	Judylynn Pelling	Sophie Kong
Home Economics:	Wendy Murdoch	Erin Murdoch
General & Others:	Lisa Loewner	Scarlet Morris
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, it has not been possible to find a venue for the 2022 fair. We don’t know what the situation will be next April. We propose at this time to use the Keese home again for the 2022 fair, with some changes in the schedule.

Fair Schedule –

With Easter on April 17 this year, we discussed having the fair a week later in April. It was moved by Judylynn, seconded by Patrick and passed to tentatively have the fair entries dropped at the Keese home on Friday, April 22 and Saturday, April 23, judged during the following week and picked up on Saturday, April 30 after a day of fair activities.

It was noted that the LA County Fair is scheduled for May, 2022, but no details seem to be available at this time.

Activities: Sat. April 30th (Showmanship for large & small livestock & Dog Show) – Activities for Saturday, April 30 were discussed. If COVID restrictions allow, we would like to have in-person activities including showmanship for large and small livestock, dog show, cat show, archery contest, fair party and other fun activities.

New Business

Fair Awards – Noel was given a report of the awards given out at the 2021 SGV Fair last Spring. There was also some discussion at that time about some changes in some of the ribbons. A complete inventory of our current awards should be done and after seeing what was given out last year and what we might do new or different this year, we can then determine what needs to be ordered for this year.

Fair Party – Last year the fair party held on zoom was poorly attended. This year it was suggested that a fair party could be held on Saturday, April 30, hopefully in-person, if the COVID restrictions allow it. The fair party is organized under the Activity directors, who will be thinking about what we might do this year once other activities are scheduled for that Saturday.

Fair meetings: Sept., Nov., Feb., March & May – It was moved by Noel, seconded by Patrick 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.

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 11 years old as of Dec. 31, 2021, 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.

Put judging of Beginning 4-H entries and Primary entries under the same fair director – Due to the large number of departments under the General & Others fair area, it has been suggested that we again move the judging of the Beginning 4-H entries to be under the Primary Directors. This will be discussed further at the November fair planning meeting.

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

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

Food fair entries – At this time, it is unknown if we will be able to have food entries at the fair this year. 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 18, 2021 at 7:30pm by conference call.**

Adjournment – It was moved by Erin, seconded by Patrick and passed to adjourn the meeting. The fair meeting was adjourned at 8:13pm.

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 2022 SGV 4-H Fair theme.
- Districts, bring your nominations for the 2022 Fair Honor Court.

Respectfully submitted,
Noel Keller