

**San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair
Board Meeting – Thursday, Sept. 19, 2019
Held at the home of Mary Lash (9497 E Foster Rd., Downey, CA)
Conference call (605) 475-3220 Access Code 758600#**

2019 Adult Fair Executive Director Dee Keese called the meeting to order at 7:35p. Erin Murdoch 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 meeting in person included:

Noel Keller	Dee Keese	Judylynn Pelling	Mary Lash
Brody Susnjar	Glenys Rich	Georgia Pike	Ace Yeck
Marjorie Rodriguez	Ema Straser	Erin Murdoch	Lydia Rich
Sophie Loewner	Lisa Loewner	Denise Foster	Anissa Foster

Those who attended on the conference call included:

Rick Herbert

Introductions – Everyone present introduced themselves to the group.

Meeting Ground Rules –It was decided to continue the same ground rules as last year, as follows:

1. Respect other people’s opinions
2. Be open-minded
3. No personal attacks
4. Listen to others
5. Have one speaker at a time
6. Encourage youth participation
7. No cross talk
8. Help keep the meeting on schedule.
9. Welcome newcomers
10. Keep the goals of the 4-H program in mind.

Minutes Approval – It was moved by Ema, seconded by Erin and passed to accept the minutes of the May 16, 2019 fair board meeting as published.

Treasurer’s Report – Mary reported that there has been a delay in her receiving the bank statements for the fair account for the last few months. She reported an August bank balance for the fair account of \$13,171.19. She will report the details of income and expenses since May at the next fair planning meeting. All bills from the 2019 SGV 4-H Fair have been paid. It was moved by Brody, seconded by Sophie and passed to accept the August bank balance of \$13,171.19 for the fair bank account.

Old Business –

2020 Fair Executive Director positions – At our last May fair planning meeting, Marina Krishmar had been elected as the 2020 Adult SGV 4-H Fair Executive Director and Nikki Yunker had been elected as the 2020 Youth SGV 4-H Fair Executive Director. Since then, both have resigned their positions, so an election will be held to replace them at this meeting. As the 2019 Adult Executive Fair Director, Dee is running this meeting since the 2020 Executive Directors are not known yet.

New Business

Nominations and Election of Directors for 2020 SGV 4-H Fair -

It was moved by Sophie, seconded by Brody and passed to elect the following as 2020 SGV 4-H Fair Youth and Adult Director:

Executive Directors:

Youth – Georgia Pike Adult – Dee Keese

Assistant Executive Directors:

Youth – Adult –

General Plants and Animals Directors:

Youth - Ace Yeck Adult – Judylynn Pelling

Home Economics Directors:

Youth – Erin Murdoch Adult – Marjorie Rodriguez

Arts and Craft Directors:

Youth – Anissa Foster Adult – Denise Foster

General and Other Projects Directors:

Youth – Glenys Rich Adult – Patrick Kam

Primary Projects Directors:

Youth – Efrain Sevilla Adult – Danielle Sevilla

Small Livestock Directors:

Youth – David Contreras Adult – Isela Briseno

Large Livestock Directors:

Youth – Julia Brown Adult – Dixie Yeck

Activities Directors:

Youth – Sophie Loewner Adult – Lisa Loewner

Finance Directors:

Youth – Brody Susnjar Adult – Mary Lash

Administrative Directors:

Youth – Ema Straser Adult – Rick Herbert

If there are any nominations for Assistant Executive Fair Director, there will be an election for that position at the next fair planning meeting.

Adults and youth who want to be 2020 fair youth and adult chairs should contact the Fair Director for the position they want. The 2020 Fair Directors are asked to bring the names of their Chairs to the next fair planning meeting. At this time, there is no election planned for fair chairs.

Fair Chairs and Judges – Don't wait until the last minute to arrange for fair chairs and fair judges. We need to plan ahead. People have busy schedules. If you wait, desired people may not be available on our fair weekend.

Fair Venue – There were no suggestions or details for a new fair venue. It was moved by Erin, seconded by Ace and passed to use the same facilities for the 2020 SGV 4-H Fair as last year – Ernie Howlett Park and Valmonte Elementary School. In anticipation of us using the same facilities as last year and to not miss out on getting the facilities, Dee has already made an application to use Valmonte Elementary School and has tentatively arranged the insurance coverage and use of Ernie Howlett Park for the 2020 SGV fair.

2020 SGV 4-H Meetings – With everyone having busy schedules, having fewer fair planning meetings during the year was discussed. It was moved by Georgia, seconded by Ace and passed to have fair planning meetings in the following months: September, November, January, March, April and May. To accommodate this schedule, we will need to change when we do some of our planning, such as all fair details should be decided by the January planning meeting. We will continue to offer phone-participation at the fair meetings. We may decide to have a fair planning meeting by conference call only for some months.

Fair Honor Court – We will follow the same new guidelines for the fair Honor Court as last year. Both NSG and SSG districts can nominate up to three youth for the 2020 Honor Court. Those on the Honor Court who want to be considered for the 2020 fair King or Queen will need to go through an interview process. The King and/or Queen is selected based on their past and current SGV fair involvement. The Honor Court members help, as needed, with running the fair. They help with the auctions, awards, MCing, etc. The Honor Court members are not asked to bring a Saturday lunch to be auctioned. The districts need to bring the names of their Honor Court nominees to the next fair planning meeting.

2020 Fair Details – Bring your ideas about the fair activities and schedule of events to the next fair meeting in November. Please be as specific and detailed as possible in your suggestions.

2020 Fair Theme – Bring your ideas for a 2020 SGV 4-H Fair theme to the next fair board meeting.

No birds at the fair – At this time, no birds will be allowed at the 2020 SGV Fair due to the Newcastle Disease situation. We will have to wait and see if the ban is lifted before our fair time.

Late fair entries – No late fair entries are allowed for small and large livestock animals. It has not been decided yet if a No Late fair entry restriction will be put on other kinds of fair entries.

Release time for Pets – It was mentioned that it is desirable to have an earlier release time for Pet entries. The Pet arrives on Saturday morning and then is released by 4pm that day. If this is to be offered, it needs to be the 2020 Fair Flysheet. Last year the Flysheet said there were no release exceptions for non-Large/Small Livestock entries.

Adjournment – It was moved by Georgia, seconded by Brody and passed to adjourn the meeting. The fair meeting was adjourned at 8:24pm.

The next fair board meeting is **Thursday, November 21, 2019 at 7:30pm at Mary Lash's home.**

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.
- Look at the meeting agenda on the website and be prepared.
- Bring specific ideas for making the 2020 fair great – fair schedule, activities, etc.
- Bring ideas for a 2020 fair theme
- 2020 Fair Directors should bring the names of their 2020 Fair Chairs (youth and adult)
- Districts should bring the names of their Honor Court nominees

*****If you cannot attend this meeting, please send your ideas and suggestions to Georgia and/or Dee before the meeting so your ideas and suggestions can be presented.

Respectfully submitted,
Noel Keller