

16th District Agricultural Association

California Mid-State Fair, Skybox

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Board Meeting

The 16th DAA Board of Directors will be holding a Board meeting

Wednesday, September 23, 2026

9:30 am

California Mid-State Fair, Skybox

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Nancy Nichols (President), Chris Darway (Vice President),
David Baldwin, Rob Boneso, Dee Lacey, Bob Lilley, Krista Sabin, Cory Wolf

STAFF

Colleen Bojorquez, CEO
Kim Daily, Deputy Manager

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public are welcome and may suggest items be placed on the agenda of any Board meeting. The items must be directly related to 16th District Agricultural Association business and their placement on the agenda is within the discretion of the Board. Request for placement must be made in writing and delivered to the Fair office no later than 4:00 pm twelve (12) business days prior to the board meeting. While the Board values the participation of the public, the Board president reserves the right to limit the time for public comment to a maximum of five (5) minutes or less, depending on the number of speakers and in order to proceed with the agenda, and/or to place the item on a future agenda.

All meeting notices, agendas, and materials considered by the Board during the meeting will be available to the public during the meeting and also on the Board's website at www.midstatefair.com.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Pursuant to the American with Disabilities Act, individuals who, because of a disability, need special assistance to attend or participate in any 16th District Agricultural Association Board or Committee meetings, or in connection with other California Mid-State Fairground activities, may request assistance by contacting the Business Assistant at the Fair Office, 2198 Riverside Ave, or by calling (805) 239-0655, during normal business hours of 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday.

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AGENDA

All matters noticed on this agenda may be considered for action. Items listed on the agenda may be considered in any order at the discretion of the Board President.

Mission Statement

“To Celebrate our Dynamic Community”

Vision Statement

“The 16th District Agricultural Association produces the California Mid-State Fair, which preserves, promotes, and showcases agriculture, the arts, the talents of our citizens, and the traditions of our region while maintaining a dynamic multi-use and solvent year-round event center.”

- I. Call Meeting to Order – President Nichols
- II. Introduction of Guests
- III. Roll Call Vote – Declaration of Quorum
- IV. Flag Salute
- V. Approval of Absences
- VI. Approval of Minutes: August 26, 2026 Board Minutes
- VII. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda: This is the time the public may address the Board on items other than those listed on the agenda. Public comments shall be limited to five (5) minutes or less per speaker, depending on the number of speakers. In accordance with state law, the Board will not comment or consider matters until and unless they are properly noticed for a future meeting. Comments on items which are listed elsewhere on the agenda should be held until that item is being considered so that public testimony can be considered at the time the item is deliberated.
- VIII. Consent Agenda: Items hereunder on the Consent Agenda are considered routine, not requiring separate discussion and will be enacted in one motion. Individual Items 1 is approved by the vote that approves the Consent Agenda, unless an item is pulled for separate consideration.
 1. Approval of Committee Minutes
 - a. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes, August 26, 2026

- IX. Old Business (Informational/Action by the Board)
- X. New Business (Informational/Action by the Board)
 - A. Heritage Foundation Report
 - 1. Strategic Plan – Justin Perino
 - B. Heritage Foundation Board Liaison Report – Director Nichols
 - C. Committee Reports
 - 1. Finance and Facilities Committee Report – Director Darway
 - a. July Financials
 - b. August Financials
 - c. Interim Event Schedule and Cost Analysis (informational)
 - d. 2026 Capital Improvements
 - Equipment
 - i. Rooftop Coolers
 - Buildings and Grounds
 - ii. Adelaide (flooring)
 - iii. Cover for Backstage
 - Completed Capital Improvements
Loader, AED Machines, Barricades, Murals, Repair Sub-Base
Dirt in Practice Arena and Equestrian Center, 8-Foot Tables,
Grandstand Chairs, Adelaide Bathrooms, Port-a-Cool, Raise
Stockyard Stormwater Drain
 - e. Pioneer Park Update
 - f. Facilities Meeting Date
 - g. Board Discussion
 - 2. Executive Committee Report – Director Nichols
 - 3. Agriculture Committee Report – Director Lacey
 - a. 2026 Livestock Fair Review
 - i. General Information (load in/out, number of animals,
layout, etc.)
 - ii. Auctions (Heifer, JLA, Small Animal)
 - iii. Parent and Exhibitor Passes
 - iv. FFA Advisory Meeting Notes
 - b. Facility Upgrades
 - c. Clean Stalls
 - d. 4H Community Leader Meeting
 - e. 2027 Livestock Schedule

4. Fair Programs and Marketing Committee Report – Director Baldwin
5. Heritage Foundation Committee Report – Director Sabin
6. Policy Manual Review Update – Director Lilley
 - a. Interim Event Alcohol Policy

Staff Recommendation in ***bold***:

No alcoholic beverages may be brought onto the fairgrounds without the Association's prior approval. Alcoholic beverages may only be served with the prior approval of the Association and the licensee, and must comply with all Federal, State and local laws. Alcohol is prohibited at any event requested to be held for a minor under the age of twenty-one (21). Liquor liability insurance must be purchased, or a certificate provided, for all events serving or providing alcoholic beverages. Said insurance must be provided to the Association at least ten (10) working days prior to the event date. ***Any violation of these policies will result in the forfeiture of the event deposit.***

D. Board Meeting Dates: Consideration to reschedule

1. November 25
2. December 23

E. Annual Dinner Nominations

F. 2027 Fair Theme Elements

XI. Matters of Information

A. Staff Report

1. Kim Daily – Box Office and Administration Office Report
2. Mike Esser – Maintenance Report
3. Tisha Tucker – Interim Events and Exhibits Report
4. Ricky Brown – Exhibits Report
5. Sabrina Sakaguchi – Commercial and Concessions Report
6. Denise Stornetta – Livestock Report
7. Shonna Howenstine – Marketing Report
8. Lachlan McKenzie – Publicity Report
9. Gina Fitzpatrick – Sponsorship Report
10. Courtney Lucas -- Accounting Report

B. Manager's Report

C. Items to be Added to Next Agenda: Pricing review (all departments)

D. Director's Discussion

XII. Recess

XIII. Closed Session

- A. Pursuant to Government Code (GC) Section 11126, the Board is authorized to meet in Closed Session for the purpose of considering matters involving Pending Litigation – Govt. Code 11126(e)(2)

XIV. Reconvene—Report out of Closed Session

XV. Adjournment

Date of Notice: September 14, 2026