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Lake County Winegrape Commission Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes March 3, 2015, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Lake County Winegrape Commission 3865 Main Street, Kelseyville, CA 95451

President
Debra Sommerfield

1. Call meeting to order, establish quorum. Chair Peter Molnar called the meeting to order at 3:09 p.m. Board Members present: Bill Brunetti, Buz Dereniuk (3:23 p.m.) Peter Molnar, Bill Oldham, Bonnie Sears, Jonathan Walters, David Weiss, and Broc Zoller.

Also present: Debra Sommerfield, President; Susan Peters, Office Manager; Kathy Diaz-Cretu, Sr. Agricultural Economist CDFA (by phone)

Board Members absent: None

- 2. Open Agenda/Public Input. None.
- **3. Approval of minutes from January 13, 2015, meeting:** Approved (*Brunetti/Walters, 7-0*) *Motion #1.*
- 4. Executive Committee Update (J. Walters, Committee Chair)
 - **a.** Jonathan Walters gave an update from the March 3, 2015, Executive Committee meeting.
 - **b.** Revisions to the Assessment Collections Procedures. Approved (Weiss/Walters, 8-0) *Motion #2.*
- 5. Marketing Committee (P. Molnar, Committee Chair)
 - a. Peter Molnar gave an update on Momentum 2015, set for April 13, 2015, at Soper-Reese Theatre. A presentation by Christian Miller, Full Glass Research, will be given including updated data from the new crush report along with "Ask a Winegrower" panel.
 - **b.** Peter Molnar gave an update on the Lake County Rising Fly-In Trade event set for May 14-15, 2015.
- 6. Research/Education Committee (B. Zoller, Committee Chair)
 - a. Broc Zoller gave an update on the water seminar scheduled for April 9, 2015, at Soper-Reese Theatre, presented in conjunction with UC Cooperative Extension and Lake County Farm Bureau.

7. Community Relations/Industry Affairs (B. Brunetti, Committee Chair)

- *a.* David Weiss gave an update on CAWG, and CAWG's annual "Day at the Capitol."
- **b.** Jonathan Walters gave an update on the Lake County Winery Association.

8. Finance Committee Update (B. Dereniuk, Committee Chair)

- a. Buz Dereniuk presented February 2015 financials.
- b. Buz Dereniuk presented mid-year FY 2014-15 budget review.
- c. Finance Committee recommended to Board to open a financial account with use restricted to Cal-PERS retirement funds and to fund said account with current budgeted amount plus \$5,000 from projected net income. Approved (Brunetti/Molnar 8-0) Motion #3.
- d. Discussion was conducted on FY 2015-16 budget preparations process for Committee Chairs to meet in the first part of April. Discussion was also conducted on 2015 tonnage/income estimates.
- e. Board discussed current FY 2014-15 budget and Buz Dereniuk explained the CDFA Grant income line item amount of \$20,401.00. It represents the final payment of the CDFA grant (10% that CDFA withholds from all grant recipients until all final reporting is complete). The amount was billed in the last fiscal year, and while the actual payment was received in current fiscal year, it was earned (and recorded) in the previous fiscal year. Board authorized removing line item from current budget (Dereniuk/Weiss 8-0) Motion #4.

9. Nominating Committee Report (B. Oldham, B. Sears, B. Zoller)

a. Bonnie Sears provided an update on the 2015 LCWC Board Member Elections. The committee presented the candidates for open Board Member seats for 2015-2017 term: David Weiss (incumbent); Keith Brandt, Shannon Ranches, Inc.; Bruce Merrilees, Bella Vista Farming.

10. Administrative Update (D. Sommerfield, President)

- *a.* Review/consideration of previously proposed bylaw amendments tabled until future meeting.
- **b.** Discussion was conducted establishing criteria for the purchase of wines for pouring at Commission-hosted events. Board directed staff to write a draft policy and present it at a future Board meeting.

11. Board Member Communications

- a. None to report
- 12. Closed Session regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, or dismissal of an employee pursuant to California Government Code Section 11126(a)
 - a. Was not conducted.

13. Return form closed session and announce action taken during close session on personnel (if any)

a. Was not conducted.

14. Closed session with Commission legal counsel pursuant to California Government Code Section 11126(a).

a. Was not conducted.

15. Issues and scheduling for next meeting(s)

a. Next Board meeting is scheduled for May 4, 2015, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

16. Adjourn

a. Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Owan Pates

Susan Peters

Office Manager

Lake County Winegrape Commission AB 2720 Roll Call Vote Tally

Lake County Winegrape Commission Board Meeting – March 3, 2015				
Attendees who Voted	Motion #1	Motion #2	Motion #3	Motion #4
Peter Molnar – Chair	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
Jonathon Walters – Vice President	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
David Weiss – Secretary/Treasurer	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
Bill Brunetti	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
Buz Dereniuk	Not present	Aye	Aye	Aye
Broc Zoller	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
Bill Oldham	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
Bonnie Sears	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
Outcome	Unanimous	Unanimous	Unanimous	Unanimous