

Lake County Winegrape Commission Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting September 11, 2018, 3:00 p.m. Lake County Winegrape Commission 3865 Main Street, Kelseyville, CA 95451 **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Chair
David Weiss
Vice Chair
Broc Zoller
Secretary-Treasurer
Bonnie Sears
Keith Brandt
Pete Dodson
John McCarthy
Bruce Merrilees

President
Debra Sommerfield

Bill Oldham

- 1. Chair David Weiss called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. Board Members present: David Weiss, Broc Zoller, Bonnie Sears, Keith Brandt, Pete Dodson, John McCarthy, Bruce Merrilees, Bill Oldham. Quorum established. Also present: Debra Sommerfield, President; Megan Hoberg, Marketing & Events Coordinator; Paul Zellman, Education Programs Director; Ben Kardokus, CDFA Economist (via phone).
- **2.** Public Comment: Guest Chris Nowak reported that while he was traveling recently, he saw Lake County on the wine labels of wineries in Kentucky, Tennessee, and North Carolina.
- **3.** Minutes from June 12, 2018, Board Meeting and August 7, 2018, Board Meeting were approved (*Motion #1, Zoller/Oldham, 8-0*).
- **4.** Chair Weiss provided an Executive Committee update, stating Committee members have been reviewing income scenarios as it relates to the current situation and have agreed to request a line-of-credit increase.
- 5. Vice Chair/Research and Education Committee Chair Zoller led Board Members in a discussion regarding harvest, which included comments about the impact of smoke, current sampling, and winery negotiations. Committee Chair Zoller updated the group on the collaborative research project with UC Cooperative Extension conducting the third-party sampling of Cabernet Sauvignon across 14 locations and subsequent microfermentations.
- **6.** Marketing and Events Coordinator Megan Hoberg provided an update about LCWC's presence at TEXSOM in Dallas in August. The Board discussed the August 6, 2018, Marketing Committee recommendation regarding hosting an additional event in 2019 and agreed to decide at the January meeting for possible execution in the spring.
- 7. President Sommerfield provided a Community and Industry Relations Committee update that included information about the upcoming Lake County Wine Alliance Wine Auction to be held at Boatique Winery on September 15, for which LCWC is a sponsor, and AgVenture Winegrape Day on September 21, for which LCWC sponsors lunch and gives a presentation about LCWC's mission and activities.
- **8.** Secretary-Treasurer Sears stepped the Board through 2017-18 year-end financials for LCWC and CDFA grant programs, which the Board approved as presented (*Motion #2, Brandt/Oldham,8-0*). Board Members directed Chair Weiss and President Sommerfield to work to renew the line of

credit with the proposed increase and authorized Chair Weiss and President Sommerfield as signatories (*Motion #3, Sears/Zoller, 8-0*).

- **9.** Next meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2018, at 3:00 p.m.
- 10. Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Lake County Winegrape Commission AB 2720 Roll Call Vote Tally

Board Members	Motion #1	Motion #2	Motion #3
Jonathan Walters, Chair	Aye	Aye	Aye
Broc Zoller, Vice Chair	Aye	Aye	Aye
Bonnie Sears, Secretary-Treasurer	Aye	Aye	Aye
Keith Brandt	Aye	Aye	Aye
Pete Dodson	Aye	Aye	Aye
Bruce Merrilees	Aye	Aye	Aye
Bill Oldham	Aye	Aye	Aye
David Weiss	Aye	Aye	Aye
FINAL TALLY	8-0	8-0	8-0

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Sommerfield, President, Lake County Winegrape Commission