

**MEETING AGENDA
BUTTE COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION
MISS BUTTE COUNTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 11, 2026 AT 5:30 PM
Fair Board Conference Room and ZOOM**

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

1. Roll Call

All present MBCAC Members will sign the roll call sheet.

Alyse, Catalina, Elizabeth, Hannah, Siera, Teresa, Vicki

2. Recognition of Fair Personnel or Members of the Public Present

Fair Personnel or Members of the Public present will sign the roll call guest sheet.

3. Public Forum

Any Fair Personnel or Members of the Public present who wish to address the Committee on matters on or not on the Agenda, who desires to address the Committee shall be given an opportunity to do so.

4. Welcome New MBCAC Member Hannah Norton

5. Miss Butte County Director's Report

Miss Butte County's director will have the opportunity to report any comments or concerns regarding the MBCAC agenda, MBC Royal Court, or the MBC program.

6. Officers Report

MBCAC Officers will have the opportunity to report on any officer-related business.

7. Approval of Minutes

MBCAC will review the minutes from the meeting on March 26, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS:

8. Consideration of Advance Submission Process for Proposed Bylaw and Procedure Changes

MBCAC will discuss and consider adopting a process requesting committee members and the Director to submit proposed program bylaw or procedure changes at least one week prior to the primary annual meeting in which rule changes are reviewed and discussed.

Background: During the previous year, the Director noted that the Butte County Fair Livestock Committee implemented a procedure requesting committee members to submit proposed changes to annual rules or regulations at least one week prior to the initial meeting in which such changes are considered. Submissions could be made via email, electronic communication, or verbal communication. This process allowed both committee members and the director adequate time to research, evaluate, and thoughtfully consider each proposal.

Proposal: Consider adopting a similar procedure for future rule change discussions. An exception may be made for urgent matters or instances in which a rule is directly impacted by another approved change, allowing for late additions as needed. The director has indicated that receiving a list of proposed edits at least one week in advance would significantly support preparation, feasibility review, and productive discussion for the group, and create a more efficient use of meeting time.

9. Consideration of Adding a “Conflict of Interest and Familial Relationship Policy” to MBCAC Bylaws

MBCAC will discuss and consider adopting an updated conflict of interest and familial relationship policy that mirrors the one currently used in the Butte County Fair Livestock Committee.

Background: The Director has received a public request for a change to the advisory committee bylaws, in addition to (4) separate requests to remove the bylaw stating family members cannot be members of the advisory committee.

The removal of any current rules regarding a ban on family and adding the proposed policy mentioned above would be a way to increase committee participation and engagement. The committee is currently composed largely of former titleholders and past family members. One argument for allowing current family members to participate, with clear conflict-of-interest safeguards in place, is to strengthen accountability, motivation, and overall program growth while maintaining the integrity of the competition. This approach would align with the structure of the Butte County Fair Livestock Committee, which currently includes parents, grandparents, 4-H leaders, and FFA advisors who are closely involved in day-to-day operations and bring broader representation, insight, and direct understanding of how rules impact participating youth and families.

Proposal: DRAFT LANGUAGE FOR CONSIDERATION **Conflict of Interest & Familial Relationship Policy**

If a committee member is related by blood, marriage, or household to a current contestant or titleholder within the program, that committee member shall not serve on, participate in, or exert influence over any subcommittee or decision-making process related to the final selection of judges, individual scorecards, tallying of scores, or determination of final competition results where a conflict of interest may reasonably be perceived.

Generalized communication regarding these areas remains permissible. This includes participation in discussions and voting related to generalized judge qualifications, rules, procedures, and regulations, provided such participation does not influence individual judges, scoring outcomes, or competition results. Such a relationship alone shall not prohibit the committee member from serving on the advisory committee, participating in general discussions, or engaging in non-scoring-decision matters.

If a potential conflict of interest arises outside of the areas identified above, the committee may, by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote, require the affected committee member to abstain from voting on the specific matter. In such cases, the committee member may participate in discussion and debate but must abstain from the final vote.

10. MBC Fundraising Goals for Long-Term Sustainability (Sponsorship/ Fundraising Subcommittee)

Open discussion to start planning 2026 and beyond fundraising goals for MBC Program.

Proposal: Prior fundraising committee ideas include every MBCAC member reach out to ten (10) potential sponsors, with securing at least two (2) sponsorships.

11. Recruitment To Fill Vacancies on MBC Advisory Committee

Discussion on two (2) recent resignations of MBCAC members and discuss plan for outreach.

12. Request From Family Of Betsy Oliver (Betsey Award)

Request from Megan Oliver and Family to remove Betsy Award from Miss Butte County Program.

Proposal: Consideration of following options: 1). Revert back to Miss Congeniality award and title, with complete removal of Betsy Award, 2). Set expectations for updated “Betsy Award” qualifications in collaboration with Oliver Family to better reflect the legacy and accomplishments of Mama Betsy, and revise award qualifications that the Betsey Award be given by the Director to an outgoing titleholder who went above and beyond in dedication and contributions to the MBC Program throughout their reign; or 3). Entertain any additional ideas.

13. Other Business (Open To All MBCAC Members)

Open discussion by MBCAC members of future items to be considered by the MBCAC or other matters not discussed during new business.

14. Upcoming Meeting

Committee Members will discuss next scheduled MBCAC meeting.

Important Upcoming Dates

MBCAC Meeting via Zoom	5:30 PM	Wednesday 2/11/2026
MBCAC Secretary Election	TBA	Thursday 6/1/2026
MBC Program Application Period OPENS	TBA	April 2026
Butte County Fair	TBA	August 2026

15. Public Documents

All public documents can be requested at missbuttecountyac@gmail.com.

MBC Complaint Form

Any Fair Personnel, Members of MBCAC, or Members of the Public who wish to submit a complaint to MBC Management regarding MBC-related matters, shall be given the opportunity: <https://forms.gle/G8WycsqE2Xqbp1WWA>

MEETING ADJOURNMENT: