November 21, 2017

County Administrator Recommendations for the Pima County Fair Commission

Background

Pursuant to Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 2014-56, the County Administrator shall place his recommended Pima County Fair Commission (PCFC) appointments to the Board’s November 21, 2017 agenda for review and consideration by the Board.

If the Board approves this recommendation, pursuant to Resolution No. 2014-56, the two positions now occupied by Mr. Marvin Selke and Mr. Donald E. Clark on the PCFC would be vacated and will have two commission openings for a new term starting January 2018. Therefore, the PCFC would then be required to forward two additional candidates for Board consideration to serve the two terms expiring December 31, 2017, and any individual appointed could be recommended by the PCFC for reappointment. I have received recommendations from the Chair of the PCFC. I agree with these recommendations.

If the Board approves reappointment of Mr. Marvin Selke and new appointment of Mr. Ronald E. Allen as my appointees, the PCFC would still have five active members out of the seven-member PCFC and would be able to conduct business with a majority of its membership.

Recommendation

I recommend the Board of Supervisors approve Mr. Marvin Selke and Mr. Ronald E. Allen as the County Administrator appointees to the Pima County Fair Commission, each serving a term that expires on December 31, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

CHH/mp – November 15, 2017

Attachments
November 12, 2017

Mr. Charles H. Huckelberry  
County Administrator  
Pima County Government  
110 Congress Street 10th Floor  
Tucson, Az  85701

Dear Mr. Huckelberry:

There are presently two commission openings for a new term starting January 2018. Current Pima County Board policy for appointments to the Pima County Fair Commission involves the Fair Commission making recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for 5 of 7 positions on the Commission. As County Administrator, the policy provides 2 nominations from you.

In keeping with the spirit of this, with respect to appointment, the Commission sought applicants and interviewed the top candidates.

We therefore recommend Dr. Ron Allen and Dr. Marvin Selke for your consideration for nomination to the Board of Supervisors for appointment.

Attached is a resume from Dr. Allen. As you have worked with Dr. Selke quite a bit over the last 15 years your familiarity speaks for itself.

If you need any further information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Judith A. Patrick, President  
Pima County Fair Commission

Dr. Marvin Selke, President  
Southwest Fair Commission
Ron Allen [mailto:reallen444@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 10:41 AM
To: jon@pimacountyfair.com
Subject: Pima County Fair Commission Position

Dear Mr. Baker:

I would like to be considered for one of the positions on the Pima County Fair Commission; my resume is attached.

I am a retired faculty member and administrator from the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at the University of Arizona. Development of young people and generation of knowledge and information that benefits our citizens has been my primary professional motivation for the past 40 years. For the same reasons, I believe in the importance of County fairs, they also provide opportunities for youth development and education for a broad spectrum of people. In addition to the County Fair, a high quality, well managed facility is a tremendous resource for our entire community by providing a venue for a wide variety of activities throughout the year.

At a personal level, two of my children participated in 4-H programs and exhibited livestock for several years at our Pima County Fair; their experiences were memorable and invaluable. And, many of the University students in Animal Sciences that I have known over the years were motivated by early experiences in 4-H and FFA and by the people involved in those programs.

In short, I believe in the mission, and I would be honored to serve on the Pima County Fair Commission. I look forward to an opportunity to visit with you and the Board.

Sincerely,
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Employment and Professional Experience

2017 – present  Retired, Professor Emeritus

2012 – 2013  Director of Agriculture Experiment Station and Associate Dean for Research, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. The Agriculture Experiment Station is the largest budgetary unit in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. The majority of tenure-track faculty are partially appointed in the Experiment Station, as are staff involved in Experiment Station Projects. As Director of the Experiment Station, I was also directly responsible for the five Agriculture Experiment Stations across the State, including the Yuma Agriculture Experiment Station, Maricopa Experiment Station, Safford Experiment Station, V Bar V Ranch near Camp Verde and all the Tucson area farms and experimental facilities. Budgetary and Administrative oversight of these individual experiment stations were my responsibility as Director of the Arizona Agriculture Experiment Station.

2006 – 2011  Professor and Head, Department of Animal Sciences, University of Arizona. As Department head I was responsible for all teaching, research and extension activities in the Department. All budgets and resources that supported the faculty and staff were my responsibility, including livestock facilities and personnel at University farms that were utilized for teaching or research.

1980 - 2016  Professor Department of Animal Sciences, University of Arizona. I taught courses and conducted a grant-supported research program in animal sciences. I served on numerous committees within the University and on federal and private foundation research advisory committees.

Relevant Service

1992 – 2011  Board of Directors, Arizona Thoroughbred Breeders Association. I chaired the committee that organized the first Arizona Thoroughbred Breeders Festival in 1993, and I continued to chair the event through 2011. The Festival is a day of championship racing exclusively for Arizona bred horses, and is one of the largest days of racing at Turf Paradise Race Track in Phoenix. I also served on a committee to help draft new legislation that, had it been successful, would have enhanced the agricultural aspect of breeding and raising horses, as well as the quality of the racing program.

2012 – present. Board of Trustees for the Arizona Cattle Industry Foundation. The board supports research and educational activities important to the cattle industry in Arizona. I am on the scholarship committee, which annually awards in excess of $25,000 per year to undergraduate students in Arizona.

Education

Texas A & M University  B. S.  1972  Animal Science
Iowa State University  Ph.D.  1976  Biochemistry
October 24, 2017

Judith A. Patrick
President, PCFC
Secretary, SWFC

Dear Judy,

I would like to officially inform you that it is my desire to be reappointed to another term as a Board member on the Pima County Fair Commission. It is my hope that the Board will be willing to recommend me to Mr. Huckleberry as one of his appointees to one of the two Board positions which expire on December 31, 2017. With the progress that has been made in recent years in improving so many phases of the Fair and the fairgrounds facilities, I would look forward to being a part of that continuing growth.

Sincerely,

Marvin Selke
President, SWFC