## TENNESSEE STATE FAIR AND EXPOSITION COMMISSION CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

- 1. **Purpose.** To assure that activities of the members of the State Fair and Exposition Commission do not conflict or have the appearance of conflicting with the provision of unbiased service to the public.
- 2. Scope. By being appointed and while serving on the State Fair and Exposition Commission, board members are included as employees of the Executive Branch. As an employee of the Executive Branch, the member is subject to the applicable portions of Governor Haslam's Order Concerning Ethics Policy and Disclosures by the Executive Branch, Executive Order No. 20. In addition to Executive Order No. 20, Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-4-101(a) prohibits any state official or employee from being directly interested in a contract that he or she has the duty to let out or superintend. An individual is directly interested in a contract in which he or she has a controlling interest. Under Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-4-101(b) any state official or employee must disclose anytime he or she has an indirect interest in a contract he or she has a duty to oversee. An indirect interest means any contract in which the officer is interested but not directly.
- **3. Policy.** It is the policy of the State Fair and Exposition Commission that all members at the first meeting of the Board following the adoption of this policy will be asked to acknowledge that they have been given copies of and understand the applicable ethics and conflict of interest requirements. The technical secretary or designee has the responsibility for collecting and maintaining the signed acknowledgements from Commission members.

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