

Newsom appoints two Republicans to Fair Board

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Just in time for the county fair, Gov. Gavin Newsom appointed two new members to the Del Norte County Fair Board.

What is most notable about the appointment of Meagan Curtis and Anthony Fabricius is that both are registered Republicans.

Kevin Hendrick, the chair of the Del Norte County Democratic Party, said he supports the appointments and it shows Newsom pays attention to local stakeholders and appoints the best people regardless of party.

"I was contacted a couple months ago by the governors' appointment secretary to help find qualified candidates for this board," Hendrick said. "These two candidates came highly recommended by Fair Director Kim Floyd. I passed these recommendations along to the governors' appointment secretary with encouragement to move expeditiously with filling the vacant seats on the Fair Board. I am happy to see that these appointments have been made, so the Fair Board can begin to operate with a full contingent."

Both residents of Crescent City, Curtis and Fabricius have long been active in the community.

Curtis has been a financial advisor at Edward Jones since 2014, where she was senior branch office administrator from 2011 to 2014.

She was an office manager at Alexandre Dairy from 2004 to 2011.

Curtis was an executive director at Crescent City and Del Norte County Chamber of Commerce from 2003 to 2004. She was a high school teacher at the Del Norte County Unified School District from 2002 to 2003.

Curtis was a researcher at Sparks Companies Inc. from 2001 to 2002. She earned a master of science degree in agricultural economics from the University of Kentucky.

Fabricius has been principal at Sunset High School since 2013. Fabricius is a member of Lake Earl Grange, Association of California School Administrators, California Continuation Education Association and the Del Norte County Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission.

The appointments do not require senate confirmation and went into effect immediately.