



Yolo County Resource Conservation District

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS-REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, September 14, 2016

Time: 5:07 pm – 7:00 pm

Location: Yolo County RCD Office, 221 West Court Street, Suite 1, Woodland, CA

Directors Present: Giovanni Ferrendelli (President), Garth Williams (Secretary), Robin Schlosser, and Mark Cady

Directors Absent: Michael Leacox (Vice President)

Associate Directors Present: Suellen Witham and Dwight Holford,

Associate Directors Absent: Dave Gilmer, Ali Pahlavanian, Benjamin Leacox, Rudy Lucero, and Mike Turkovich

Others Present: Heather Nichols and Sheila Pratt.

1. **Call Meeting to Order - Giovanni Ferrendelli, President:** The meeting was called to order at 5:07 pm by President Ferrendelli.
2. **Approval of Agenda and Minutes:** ACTION: Approve the agenda: MOTION: Williams, SECOND: Cady. AYES: Unanimous (Ferrendelli, Williams, Cady). ACTION: Approve the August 10, 2016 minutes: MOTION: Cady, SECOND: Williams. AYES: Unanimous (Ferrendelli, Williams, Cady).
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Approval and Payment of Claims:** ACTION: Approval of claims; MOTION: Williams, SECOND: Cady. AYES: Unanimous (Ferrendelli, Williams, Cady).
5. **Regular Reports:**
 - a. **NRCS Update:** None
 - b. **Executive Director's Report:** Nichols reported on the project manager search, aiming for a November 1st hire date. An RCD staff person was involved in a non-injury accident in the Ford F-250 which has been totaled. Nichols reported on the 2016 local conservation priority online survey. Our tech support company has changed their name to flexmanage. They are a national company with help support routing typically through Chicago. There will be no meeting scheduled in November to accommodate the workload associated with CARCD annual conference. CNGA, the RCD and others are hosting a pasture walk on October 5th. We are currently writing a concept proposal to the Delta Conservancy in coordination with the County to improve drainage for agriculture on the Yolo Bypass. Nichols is doing a presentation on acorns and oak diversity at the Hoes Down festival at Full Belly Farms on October 1st. Nichols will be giving a talk at the National Association of Conservation District's Ag tour at the Farm on Putah Creek on September 15th.
 - i. **Financial Report:** We do not have an estimated date from the County for the closing of the 2015/16 fiscal year, and the balance sheet in the packet is not final. We continue to wait for two payments from CA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife for the ag lease management project.
 - c. **Board Member Reports and Comments:** Gio suggested that Heather get together with Mike to create financial reports that are easier to read. RCD needs to update the digital project map and include photos.
6. **Discussion:**
 - a. **October Board Retreat:** The RCD retreat with Solid Ground Consulting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12th. A brief RCD business meeting will take place 3:00 pm. Nichols would like to reserve Glide Ranch, which charges a nominal fee for local organizations. The board agreed. Consultant Amy Stork will be summarizing all the staff and board interviews into an assessment document.
7. **Confirm Next Regular Meeting Date and Location:** Wednesday, October 12, 2016 for meeting and closed session board retreat. Time 3:00-7:30 pm, and location TBA.
8. **Closed Session:** Annual review for Heather Nichols, Executive Director.
9. **Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm by President Ferrendelli.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Garth Williams, Board Secretary, and Heather Nichols, Executive Director. Approved on October, 12 2016 by the Yolo County Resource Conservation District Board.

By:


Board Secretary, Garth Williams