



Yolo County Resource Conservation District

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS-REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2017

Time: 5:05pm - 7:12pm

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

Directors Present: Giovanni Ferrendelli (President), Michael Leacox (Vice President), Mark Cady, Robin Schlosser, and Mike Turkovich

Directors Absent:

Associate Directors Present: Associate Directors Absent: Dave Gilmer, Ali Pahlavanian, Benjamin Leacox, Rudy Lucero.

Others Present: Heather Nichols, Miranda Driver, Fanny Ye, and Sheila Pratt

1. **Call Meeting to Order - Giovanni Ferrendelli, President:** The meeting was called to order at 5:05pm by President Ferrendelli.
2. **Approval of Agenda and Minutes:** ACTION: Approve the agenda as presented; MOTION: Cady, SECOND: Schlosser. AYES: Unanimous (Ferrendelli, Schlosser, Turkovich, Leacox, Cady). ACTION: Approve the minutes for the October 11, 2017 Regular Meeting as presented; MOTION: Leacox, SECOND: Cady. AYES: Unanimous (Ferrendelli, Schlosser, Turkovich, Leacox, Cady).
3. **Public Comment:** Miranda Driver reported that she is interested in completing an RCD director application.
4. **Approval and Payment of Claims:** ACTION: Approval of claims; MOTION: Leacox, SECOND: Turkovich. AYES: Unanimous (Ferrendelli, Schlosser, Turkovich, Leacox, Cady).
5. **Regular Reports:**
 - a. **NRCS Update:** Fanny Ye, NRCS Soil Conservationist. Ye announced the 2018 batching periods for submitting applications are January 19th, April 6th and June 22nd. Phil Hogan will be attending the upcoming CARCD conference. NRCS is operating under a continuing resolution but expects the 2018 funding to be as much if not more as the 2017 funding. The Pathway student internship program will be support some staff vacancies. The Woodland Field Office is losing one of its four vehicles. State Conservationist Carlos Suarez is in Puerto Rico working on hurricane relief efforts. NRCS's wildfire fire recovery assistance is strong and funds will be released in the next month or two.
 - b. **Executive Director's Report:** Nichols, Executive Director. Nichols will be attending the CARCD conference along with Jeanette Wrynski. Joanne Heraty and Mark Cady will be attending the free day of training. Nichols followed up on several topics including existing RCD benefits, seasonal workload management and exemption classification for different positions. The CSA-6 levee work has been delayed for at least the next two months while County staff address CEQA. Our audit has been rescheduled for December due to County financial reporting delays.
 - i. **Financial Report:** Nichols presented the Dashboard, and showed how the planned budget had been adjusted due to the postponed start date of the CSA-6 levee project and last winter's flood events on the Wildlife Corridor project.
 - c. **Board Member Reports and Comments:** None.
6. **New Business:**
 - a. **** Approve amendments to Employee Handbook:** All revisions were reviewed and discussed. Minor changes were requested. ACTION: Approve amendments to Employee Handbook as discussed; MOTION: Leacox, SECOND: Turkovich. AYES: Unanimous (Ferrendelli, Schlosser, Turkovich, Leacox, Cady).



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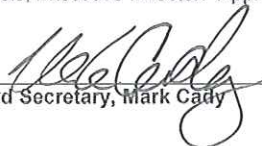
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7. **Discussion:** RCD Holiday Potluck will be held at the Blue Note Brewery at 6pm following the board meeting. We will be inviting RCD partners. Family and friends will be welcome.
8. **Confirm Next Regular Meeting Date and Location:** Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at 5:05 pm at the Yolo County RCD Office.
9. **Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:12 pm by President Ferrendelli.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Mark Cady, Board Secretary, and Heather Nichols, Executive Director. Approved on December 13, 2017 by the Yolo County Resource Conservation District Board.

By:


Board Secretary, Mark Cady