



# Yolo County Resource Conservation District

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS-REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** Wednesday, June 14, 2017

**Time:** 5:12 pm – 7:47 pm

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

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

**Directors Absent:** Robin Schlosser

**Associate Directors Present:**

**Associate Directors Absent:** Dave Gilmer, Ali Pahlavanian, Benjamin Leacox, Rudy Lucero, Suellen Witham, and Dwight Holford

**Others Present:** Heather Nichols, Phil Hogan, Sheila Pratt, Sara Schremmer, Kristen Murphy

1. **Call Meeting to Order and Introductions - Giovanni Ferrendelli, President:** The meeting was called to order at 5:12 pm by President Ferrendelli.
2. **\*\*Approval of Agenda and Minutes:** ACTION: Approve the Agenda: MOTION: Leacox, SECOND Cady. AYES: Unanimous (Turkovich, Leacox, Cady, Ferrendelli). ACTION: Approve May 17, 2017 meeting minutes: MOTION: Cady, SECOND: Leacox. AYES: Unanimous (Ferrendelli, Leacox, Cady, Turkovich)
3. **\*\*\*\*Public Comment:** None
4. **Special Presentation:** Sara Schremmer and Kristen Murphy from CARCD discussed the capacity building opportunities for FY17-18. Applications for Durable Collaboration, Director Boot Camp and other program offerings are due June 30<sup>th</sup>. CARCD would like Yolo County RCD to participate in fundraising and host duties for the 2017 CARCD Annual Conference in Sacramento.
5. **\*\*Approval and Payment of Claims:** ACTION: Approval of claims: MOTION: Cady SECOND: Turkovich. AYES: Unanimous (Ferrendelli, Leacox, Cady, Turkovich). Approval of SDRMA claims: MOTION Cady SECOND: Leacox. AYES: Unanimous (Ferrendelli, Leacox, Cady, Turkovich)
6. **Regular Reports:**
  - a. **NRCS Update:** Phil Hogan, NRCS District Conservationist. Hogan reported on NRCS's loss of employees and the added work load to staff covering vacancies. New Pathways student, Diego Camacho started working with NRCS. NRCS is assisting the City of Winters with stormwater quality issues in Putah Creek. Yolo Land Trust's "A Day in the Country" will be held at The Maples on September 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. **Executive Director's Report:** Heather Nichols, Executive Director. Nichols reported that the second landscape workshop for the City of Woodland was a success. RCD Project Manager Joanne Heraty completed part two of the NRCS Conservation Planning training, and will be working on a carbon farm plan.
    - i. **Financial Report:** Nichols discussed the financial dashboard draft and fielded comments and questions. She presented the proposed budget and billable rate for FY17-18.
  - c. **Board Member Reports and Comments:** The board asked for clarification on several aspects of the dashboard and discussed what information is most helpful for management purposes. Several changes were specified.
7. **New Business:**
  - a. **\*\* Approve letter nominating Rominger Brothers for the 2017 Leopold Conservation Award:** ACTION: Approval letter nominating Rominger Brothers for the 2017 Leopold Conservation Award: MOTION: Leacox. SECOND: Cady. AYES: Unanimous (Ferrendelli, Leacox, Cady, Turkovich)
  - b. **\*\* Approve Annual Budget for FY 17-18:** ACTION: Approval of Annual Budget of \$986,088 for FY 17-18: MOTION: Leacox. SECOND: Cady. AYES: Unanimous (Turkovich, Cady, Ferrendelli, Leacox).

c.\*\* Approve Billable Rate for FY 17/18: ACTION: Approval of Billable Rate for FY 17-18 denied:  
MOTION: Leacox. SECOND: Turkovich. NAYS: Unanimous (Turkovich, Ferrendelli, Leacox). The Board requested that the billable rate be moderately raised to allow for increased contingency. Nichols will research billable rates from other RCDs and bring a new proposal to the board for the July meeting.

**8. Discussion:**

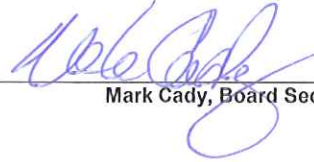
9. Annual Work Plan Draft for FY 17/18: Discussion of the Annual Work Plan was tabled to July meeting.

10. **Confirm Next Meeting Date and Location:** Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 5:05 pm at the Yolo County RCD Office.

11. **Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 7:47pm.

**Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:** Mark Cady, Board Secretary, and Heather Nichols, Executive Director. Approved on July 12, 2017 by the Yolo County Resource Conservation District Board.

By:



Mark Cady, Board Secretary