

San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District

Board of Director's Meeting

June 9, 2016

- CALL TO ORDER President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 12:11 p.m. Meeting held at the Robert Cabral Ag Center. 2101 E. Earhart Ave, Stockton, CA 95206
- ATTENDANCE Members of the Board present included Richard Rodriguez, Phil Balmat, John Thoming, Phil Balmat, John Herrick, Diego Olagaray. Staff members and contractors present included Ora VanSteyn (NRCS), Mike Wackman, Ruth Mulrooney, Shasta Burns. Guests present included Julianne Phillips (SJFB), Tim Pelican (Ag Commissioner), Jennifer Spaletta (Spaletta Law).
- PUBLIC COMMENTS No public comments at this time.
- MEETING AGENDA Motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the May 19, 2016 meeting made by Mr. Olagaray, second by Mr. Herrick. Motion to approve the minutes from the April 21, 2016 Regular board meeting made by Mr. Thoming, second Mr. Herrick. Approved unanimously.
- DISCUSSION ITEMS No Discussion Items at this time.
- TREASURER'S REPORT Income and bills to be paid for both the RCD and Coalition were presented, along with current financial reports. A brief review of the 2016-2017 was reviewed. The Board agreed that the existing budget items will roll over to the same as last year's budget for this new fiscal year. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report and pay all late bills presented at meeting, and adopt the 2016-2017 Budget with the deletion of the Drought Technician, and add \$200 for miscellaneous website additions, and in the same motion, cover the outstanding costs from last year's Pombo Scholarship overages with this year's donations to break even made by Mr. Herrick, second Mr. Olagaray. Motion approved unanimously.
- NRCS UPDATE New office location will be 7585 S. Longe Street Suite 100, Stockton, CA 95206 beginning June 13, 2016. EQIP applications are low. This year to date most applications have been funded so far. A review of all open positions were announced.
- RESOURCES Farm Bureau reported that the Ag Overtime Bill was defeated (good news). California Water Fix hearing starts next month.
- Ag Commissioner reported three Asian Citrus Psyllid finds in the area, and will be expanding the quarantine in the Lodi area. The Ag Commissioners office will meet in July to go over the Environmental Impact Report.
- No CRAE Report at this time.
- The RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator reported that she has been working on monthly duties. An Excel spreadsheet of available funds for all NRCS Agreements and monthly standings are attached in the meeting packet for monthly review. Watershed Coordinator Agreement has been extended until December to use the remaining funding.
- GRANT UPDATES No Grant updates at this time
- NEW BUSINESS Pombo Scholarship dinner will be held on July 15, 2016. Dinner will take place before the next scheduled Board meeting. The recipient for the 2016 award goes to Kenneth Watkins from Linden High School. Donation amount will be determined based on incoming donations.

IRRIGATED LANDS Coalition financials were reviewed. A motion to approve monthly financials from the Supplemental packet provided at the meeting made by Mr. Thoming second Mr. Herrick, and approved unanimously. A motion to transfer \$500,000.00 from the Coalition Main Checking Account into the Contingency Fund Account made by Mr. Herrick, second by Mr. Thoming. Motion approved unanimously. Membership deposits are totaling over \$1.25 million dollars as of this meeting. The next Steering Committee Meeting will be held on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Sarah Luccehetti can now start meeting with growers and making recommendations on their Sediment Erosion Control Plans. Still figuring out the appropriate cost to do so. A motion for a minimum of \$250 an hour plus mileage and \$40/hour over 3 hours for the Sediment Erosion Control Plan Recommendations with discretions to lesson costs for the smaller parcels. The RCD will receive \$10/hour of these fees charged, made by Mr. Herrick, second by Mr. Olagaray. Motion passed unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION Board entered into closed session at 12:26 p.m. The Board Opened Closed Session at 1:13p.m. No reportable action at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS SWEEPS Evaluations being performed at this time and will be finished by the end of June.

ADJOURNMENT The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District Board is scheduled for Thursday, July 21, 2016 at the San Joaquin County Farm Bureau, 3290 N. Ad Art Road, Stockton, CA. Adjourn meeting at 2:25 p.m. Motion by Mr. Herrick, second by Mr. Thoming. Motion Passed unanimously.