



SLOUGHHOUSE

Resource Conservation District

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Meeting of the Board - MINUTES Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District

When: Wednesday, November 15, 2023
Where: Rancho Murieta Community Services
15160 Jackson Rd.
Rancho Murieta, CA 95683

Time: 10:30 am – 1:30 pm

Board Members: Barbara Washburn (absent), Herb Garms, Gary Silva Jr., Lindsay Liebig (absent), Jay Schneider
Associate Directors: Teresa Flewellyn
Staff: Brittany Friedman

***A recording of this meeting can be found on the Sloughhouse RCD website at:
<https://srcd.specialdistrict.org/meetings> ***

OPENING

Chairman Garms called the meeting to order at 10:32am.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Any member of the public may address the Board concerning any matter not on the Agenda within the Board/District's jurisdiction.

None.

TREASURY REPORT

Director and Treasurer Silva provided an update on SRCD's financials including the current invoices for the month and the transition to Five Star Bank from Sacramento County.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. Agenda –November 15, 2023
- b. Minutes – October 11, 2023
- c. Financial Report – November 2023

Director Silva moved to approve the consent calendar.

Director Schneider seconded the motion.

The motion passed with three in favor (Garms, Silva, Schenider) and two absent (Washburn, Liebig)

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REPORTS

- a. USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)
None.
- b. Sacramento County Ag. Commissioners Report
The 2022 Crop Report was shared via email by Chris Flores and presented to the Board by staff.
- c. SRCD Board Member Reports
Director Silva Jr. discussed a company that is able to create a GSA/SRCD parcel map that the Clay District has already taken advantage of and recommend this for us. Public member Tish said that she could look into this and gather more information. Director Schneider provided feedback on the recent Galt Irrigation District meeting he attended.

GENERAL BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS

1. Staffing Changes

- a. **Interim Position of Administrative Coordinator**
This item was agreed to be tabled until December - no changes to the position at this time.
- b. **District Manager Hiring Process**
The Board discussed the written job role/description document and decided to provide suggestions and adjustments for this document at the December meeting.
- c. **Water Efficiency Technician Hiring Process**
The Board discussed and agreed that a hiring committee consisting of Friedman, Silva and Liebig will be responsible for hiring the WETA technician.

GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY ACTION ITEMS

2. Cosumnes Groundwater Authority

- a. **Funding Study Development**
Kronick lawyer and SRCD representative Scott Morris gave a presentation on the SGMA Fee Study and Road Map. The Board discussed CGA budget and financials as well as Prop 26 vs 218.
- b. **Member Contribution Agreement**
The Board discussed the member contribution agreement for CGA and the possibility of an amended budget being agreed upon before signing the contribution agreement.

Director Schneider moved to table the signing until CGA has an amended budget.

Director Silva seconded the motion.

The motion passed with three in favor (Garms, Silva, Schenider) and two absent (Washburn, Liebig)

3. South American Subbasin GSP Implementation
a. Member Contribution Agreement

No action was taken on this matter - item tabled.

4. Center for Land-based Learning SLEWS Academy

Staff presented information on the SLEWS Academy and made a case as to why SRCD should sign the three year agreement for this program as well as contribute the requested \$3,000. The Board discussed the benefits of this program, costs and staff time.

Director Silva moved to approve and sign the CLBL SLEWS Academy Agreement.

Director Schneider seconded the motion.

The motion passed with three in favor (Garms, Silva, Schenider) and two absent (Washburn, Liebig)

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. SRCD Staff Report

Staff provided a brief report highlighting the National Association of Conservation Districts' (NACD) 78th Annual Meeting which will take place in San Diego on February 10 - 14, 2024. <https://www.nacdnet.org/news-and-events/annual-meeting/>

Staff provided a brief report highlighting the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts (CARCD) 78th Annual Meeting which will take place in Sacramento on December 13 - 15, 2023.

<https://site.phedloop.com/event/carcd78conference/schedule>

Rancho Murieta CSD is in the process of updating their Integrated Water Management Plan. A draft of the plan is anticipated in the coming months. View the story map here:

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/f1891e0bda0e48f3b7e8281645fd2af2>

Staff member Brittany Friedman provided a short update on her time at the CSDA Board/Clerk Conference in Monterey, CA from November 6 - 8, 2023. She received a certificate of completion from CSDA for attending.

IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The Board approved the following future agenda items by consensus:

ADJOURNMENT

Director Garms adjourned the meeting at 1:52pm.