

**MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 17, 2019
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
SACRAMENTO-YOLO MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

PLACE: 8631 Bond Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Raymond LaTorre	President	Sacramento
Jayna Karpinski-Costa	Vice President	Citrus Heights
Christopher Barker		Davis
Raul DeAnda		West Sacramento
Sean Denny		Woodland
Bruce Eldridge		Yolo County
Lyndon Hawkins		Elk Grove
Gar House		Winters
Susan Maggy		Sacramento County
Robert McGarvey		Rancho Cordova
Marcia Mooney		Galt

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Craig Burnett	Folsom
Rosemarie Moore	Isleton

LEGAL COUNSEL:

Jennifer Buckman

STAFF PRESENT:

Gary Goodman	Manager
Samer Elkashef	Assistant Manager
Janna McLeod	Administrative Manager
Marcia Reed	Laboratory Director
Marty Scholl	Ecological Management Supervisor
Luz Robles	Public Information Officer
Kara Kelley	Microbiologist
Sarah Wheeler	Biologist
Garth Ehrke	Field Supervisor
Demetri Dokos	Field Supervisor
Kevin Combo	Field Supervisor
Ryan Wagner	Field Supervisor
Ruben Rosas	GIS Coordinator
Tom Price	Shop Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by President Raymond LaTorre.

Roll Call

Trustees Craig Burnett and Rosemarie Moore were absent; however, a quorum was present.

Pledge of Allegiance

All phones and electronic devices are requested to be silenced during the meeting.

At this time General Manager Gary Goodman welcomed the Board and all of the Supervisors and staff in attendance. In addition, he announced the appointment of our new Trustee from the city of Galt, Marcia Mooney. Manager Goodman thanked her for her interest in serving on the Board and asked her to introduce herself. Ms. Mooney is a long time resident of Galt having worked in Labor Relations representing both employees and employers. In the past she represented the employees at the San Joaquin Mosquito District. She retired from the State working on the management side. She is interested in Mosquito Control and looks forward to working with the Board.

1. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL BY GENERAL CONSENT

On a motion by Trustee Karpinski-Costa seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board voted to approve General Consent Items a. through f. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2; new Trustee Marcia Mooney abstained from voting on this item.

- a. Minutes of the November 19, 2019 Board of Trustees Meeting;
- b. Expenditures for November 2019;
- c. Deposit VCJPA Retrospective Adjustment of \$58,935 into LAIF;
- d. District Investment Report for Period Ending September 30, 2019;
- e. Board Review and Consideration of Legal Services Agreement Effective January 1, 2020;
- f. Board Authorization to Grant an Extension of a Medical Leave of Absence for District Employee Pursuant to Section 6.05(b) of the District Personnel Manual.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

This item is reserved for members of the public who wish to speak on items not on the agenda.

There were none.

3. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF CABINETRY FOR LABORATORY RENOVATION

Manager Goodman presented the item and was available to answer questions from the Board. Trustee Barker asked if biosecurity had been considered when selecting the cabinetry and Manager Goodman indicated the cabinetry meets biosecurity standards. On a motion by Trustee Karpinski-Costa seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board voted to authorize staff to work with Steel Sentry to install cabinetry for the laboratory renovation not to exceed \$30,000. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, Absent: 2

4. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

a. Manager's Report:

The year is at an end and staff is preparing for the upcoming 2020 season with planning, training, and maintenance of the equipment. The District posted a recruitment announcement for Field Technician to fill the vacant positions created by recent retirements. The District is continuing to move forward with the relocation of the library and the conversion of the lab PCR room. The project is moving quickly due to the diligent work of staff that has been involved in the project. The MVCAC planning session was held on December 3rd and 4th. The discussion centered on legislative and regulatory priorities for the upcoming year. The MVCAC Board approved the association joining the Vector-Borne Disease Network, a stakeholder group of non-profit organizations focused on supporting vector management as a means to reduce the public health issues caused by arthropod disease vectors. District staff is continuing to work on the five year plan for future activities and direction of the District. Staff will provide an update to the Board in January on the items highlighted in the five year plan.

b. Reports from District Departments: Written reports were provided in the Board packet from each department. Department supervisors gave an oral presentation and were available to answer any questions.

Lab/Surveillance: Laboratory Director, Marcia Reed provided a written report. Microbiologist Kara Kelley reviewed her testing data of mosquitoes, dead birds, chickens, and ticks for the season. With West Nile virus activity down this season, there were fewer positive dead birds and mosquito sample pools; however, the amount of samples tested was approximately 5,500 with just over 2 percent of those coming back positive. A total of 5 sentinel chickens tested positive for WNV with 4 of those from the Gibson Ranch flock and 1 from the Knights Landing flock. Tick abundance was up in the areas that we do tick flagging and that may be attributed that to the weather and humidity this past season. Vector Ecologist Deborah Dritz supervises the majority of the Laboratory Technicians in the lab. She reviewed Resistance testing and the colonies of mosquitoes in the Lab used for this testing. Three new colonies were added this season which enables us to test both different species resistance and product efficacy. She also discussed the traps and mapping for the surveillance of *Aedes aegypti* after the first detection, throughout the season and over the winter. Biologist Sarah Wheeler reported on District research and collaborations and played a video illustrating the various studies and activities involved throughout the season.

Ecological Management: Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl provided a written report.

Biological Control: Fisheries Supervisor, Tony Hedley provided a written report.

Larval and Adult Control: Program Coordinator, Steve Ramos provided a written report. Field Supervisor Garth Ehrke provided an oral report on the South Yolo County crew activities. Service requests for the area were down about 10% with 272 requests. South Yolo County is mostly agriculture with Rice fields being a top concern. Total acreage was down for the year with 9,700 acres including 1900 acres that are organic. The crew responded to 69 positive mosquito pool samples and had 6 positive dead birds this season. Field Supervisor Demetri Dokos reported on his crew assigned to South Sacramento. South Sac technicians performed 21,000 inspections of mosquito development sites, treated over 2,800 of those for over 5,600 acres. South Sacramento had a total of 32 positive mosquito pool samples and 20 dead birds that tested positive for WNV. North Sacramento Field Supervisor Kevin Combo presented a video of his crew in action and included statistics from the year. There were 1861 unmaintained pools in Sacramento County. Technicians conducted 2200 Swimming Pool inspections this season treating 1545 of them. There was 5,796 acres of Rice in the Naomasa area. North crew conducted 17 ULV responses based on 41 West Nile positive mosquito sample pools. *Aedes aegypti* were found in Citrus Heights on

August 29th with 121 treatments performed in response to 65 detections. Ryan Wagner, Field Supervisor of the Catch Basin crew reported on their activities. This year marks 15 years of the Catch Basin program. The crew inspected and/or treated 354,000 catch basins, the highest amount on record. This total is 42,000 more than last year averaging about 3,500 catch basins visited each work day. The technicians assisted in the detection and treatments within the areas of concern for *Aedes aegypti* bringing in over 50 samples to be tested and treating 2000 catch basins.

Geographic Information Systems: Geographic Information Systems Coordinator Ruben Rosas reported on his department activities for the year. He reviewed analysis of data collected for historical abundance numbers that helped to identify areas where WALS applications would be a more effective proactive approach for mosquito control. He also discussed maps, both paper and digital maps that he created to view trap results for invasive mosquitoes. He showed some examples of the inRoute software that was implemented to help techs more easily navigate their runs in the field.

Public Outreach: Public Information Officer, Luz Robles provided a written report.

Shop: Shop Supervisor Tom Price reported on fleet maintenance and other shop activities for the year. Tom shared a video that demonstrated the work that was put in to creating and fabricating various spray equipment and racks for the vehicles and ATVs. The video included a section on a quad that didn't seem like it was repairable; however, Mechanic Don Henson was able to repair it and put it back into use in the field saving the District from having to replace it.

Administration: Administrative Manager Janna McLeod reported on Administrative activities including the Annual District Audit, implementation of the District Financial Accounting and Human Resources software. Training of Supervisors and technicians on the time and attendance component of the software will take place in the first part of the New Year. Assistant Manager Samer Elkashef reported on other Administrative activities including facility maintenance projects that were completed this year, are ongoing and those that are planned for next year.

At this time, Manager Gary Goodman thanked the Supervisors for introducing their staff as a part of their reports and commended everyone for all of their hard work this year including the response to the first detection of *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes within the District.

5. BOARD/STAFF REPORTS AND REQUESTS

Trustees wanting to attend MVCAC and AMCA should contact staff to arrange conference travel and registration.

The 5-Year Plan and Safety Committee report will be presented at the next Board meeting

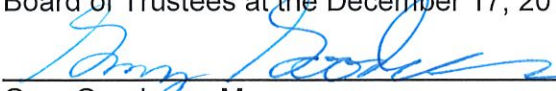
Staff and Trustees are completing their updated Anti-Harassment Training

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.

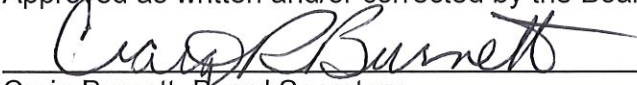
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I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the general business and actions taken by the Board of Trustees at the December 17, 2019 meeting.



Gary Goodman, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the January 21, 2020 meeting.



Craig Burnett, Board Secretary