

**MINUTES OF THE JUNE 18, 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
Craig Burnett	Secretary	Folsom
Raul DeAnda		West Sacramento
Sean Denny		Woodland
Bruce Eldridge		Yolo County
Lyndon Hawkins		Elk Grove
Gar House		Winters
Robert McGarvey		Rancho Cordova
Rosemarie Moore		Isleton

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Christopher Barker	Davis
Susan Maggy	Sacramento County
Vacant	Galt

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
Tony Hedley	Fisheries Supervisor
Luz Robles	Public Information Officer

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Raymond LaTorre.

Roll Call

Trustees Christopher Barker and Susan Maggy were absent; however, a quorum was present.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

1. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL BY GENERAL CONSENT

A correction to the Minutes was noted. The existing vacancy for the Galt Trustee was not indicated in the roll call and the Board votes were incorrectly listed as thirteen instead of twelve. On a motion by Trustee Denny seconded by Trustee Burnett, the Board voted to approve General Consent Items a. through d., including the corrections as noted. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2

- a. Minutes of the May 21, 2019 Board of Trustees Meeting;
- b. Expenditures for May 2019;
- c. Board Approval of Surplus Property;
- d. Board Approval of Refund of Surplus Property.

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. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

a. Manager's Report:

The season is moving along with crews responding to mosquito activity with trapping and larviciding of breeding sites. Late rains created more sources that typically would be dry this time of year. The District has not had any virus activity to date which is about 2-3 weeks behind our typical season. The State of California has detected less WNV activity in the bird population to date and the majority of WNV in the mosquito pools is centered around the Coachella valley in Riverside County. Although the District has tested about the same number of birds as last year the number of birds testing positive is much less. The SMASH Act passed both the House and Senate and is waiting for the President's signature. We have been active in reaching out to Senate Appropriations Committee members as they are planning on discussing funding the SMASH Act later in June. We are hopeful that CDPR will finish their UAS license certification in the next month that will allow vector control agencies to make applications without a commercial pilot's license. We are still working with the MVCAC on our concerns about public health applications and the potential impact to outdoor cannabis or hemp farms. Yolo County allows outdoor cultivation while Sacramento County does not. The District recently learned that funding for CalSurv was included in the State budget for the upcoming 2019-2020 fiscal year.

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 discussed department activities including mosquito abundance, EVS surveillance, Exotic/Invasive Species surveillance, studies and collaborations. Of the 128 dead birds picked up and tested so far this year, none have tested positive. This same time last year, 4 of the 135 picked up and tested were positive for West Nile virus. BG Counter traps have been deployed with several located in the Natomas area to allow for evaluation of the effectiveness of our rice treatments. Several others will be located in urban/suburban areas to monitor mosquito activity in these types of habitats. Several studies and collaborations will be or are ongoing this season including WDG WALs, product trials for

OneGuard, a Catch Basin Residue and Resistance study, a project on Sugar Bait, and another project on *Culex pipiens f. molestus* called PipPop that will perform genetic analysis on the species.

Ecological Management: Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl discussed department activities including Stormwater/Drainages, Wetland Program, Planning Program, Pool Program, and the UAS Program. Staff has begun monitoring beaver dams in creeks and streams. Annual meetings with rice growers and BLM staff at Cosumnes River Preserve have taken place as well as meetings with Tyler Island Duck Club, NRCS and CDFW staff regarding wetland management. The DPR UAS exam application is ready to go with the test planned for August. Staff has been asked to speak at the Interdrone Symposium in Las Vegas for the second time in September of this year.

Biological Control: Fisheries Supervisor, Tony Hedley reported on department activity including fish usage, crayfish abundance, the dissolved oxygen project and the pond dye versus traditional fertilizer study. Just over 135 pounds of fish were used in May including use in abandoned or green pools identified by the aerial services. Fish usage should increase with Technicians continuing to treat spring sources as we head into the summer months and begin fish planting in rice fields at the end of June, beginning of July.

Larval and Adult Control: Program Coordinator, Steve Ramos provided a written report in the Board packet.

Public Outreach: Public Information Officer, Luz Robles reported on department activities including Advertising and Media, Events, Government Affairs, and Repellent and Materials Distribution. The advertising and outreach campaign to "Fight the Bite" has officially launched. This year, a new television commercial and radio spots are airing across all major stations. In addition, our ads are on light rail trains and traditional and digital billboards in both counties. June is a busy month for events including the Filipino Fiesta, Fight the Bite night with the Rivercats, a blood drive with Bloodsource and Univision, and health and safety events in Sacramento and Elk Grove. Two council presentations will occur in June and repellent has been distributed to some cities and neighborhood services that have made requests.

4. BOARD REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF DRAFT DISTRICT BUDGET FOR 2019-2020

Manager Goodman introduced this item and was available to answer questions. Anticipated revenues and expenses for 18-19 have been updated in this draft and final (unaudited) numbers will be included in the July draft. The cost of a 2.4% salary adjustment, based on the March to March Western Region CPI, for non-represented staff has been included in this draft of the budget. Any proposal to modify salary and/or benefits for the represented employees within the MOAT unit is a part of the collective bargaining process and will be presented for consideration along with any proposals related to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the District and OE3 when that is brought to the Board. No action was taken by the Board as this was the second reading of the draft budget. The final reading and request for approval will take place at the July Board meeting.

5. CLOSED SESSION- PROVIDE INSTRUCTION TO DESIGNATED LABOR REPRESENTATIVES (GOV. CODE S. 54957.6-LABOR NEGOTIATIONS) AGENCY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES: [GARY GOODMAN, JANNA MCLEOD, SAMER ELKASHEF, CHRIS VOIGHT] EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION: [OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION #3]

President LaTorre adjourned the Regular meeting to go into Closed Session at 11:15 am. The Board returned from closed session and re-opened the regular meeting at 12:08 pm reporting out that the Board provided direction to the District Labor Negotiations Representatives regarding the Board's preferences related to the MOU.

6. BOARD/STAFF GENERAL DISCUSSION

Sacramento County Public Health will be touring the District and meeting with staff tomorrow.

Manager Goodman will be meeting with the Yolo County Health Officer tomorrow.

AMCA selected a new management firm,-AMG, the same firm as MVCAC and meetings with the firm to transition are underway.

San Joaquin will be performing aerial applications near our southern border and staff may receive and refer calls to San Joaquin from residents near the location of these applications.

VCJPA was considering dropping, but, decided to remain in CARMA for excess insurance.

New Harassment Prevention training that is in compliance with new regulations effective in 2019 is now available and links to the training module will be sent to staff and Trustee for completion.

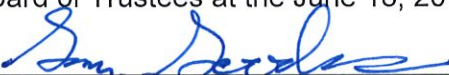
Manager Goodman provided a brief report on concerns that were raised regarding District hiring practices and employee friendships. Both topics of concern were brought to and discussed with legal counsel to confirm current District practice is in compliance with applicable policies and regulations.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:16 pm.

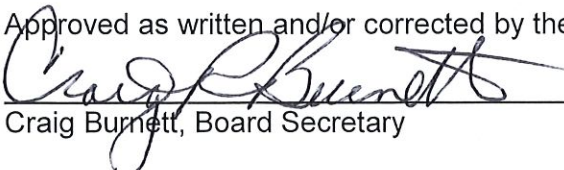
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I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the general business and actions taken by the Board of Trustees at the June 18, 2019 meeting.



Gary Goodman, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the July 16, 2019 meeting.



Craig Burnett, Board Secretary