

**MINUTES OF THE MARCH 27, 2012  
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:**

Frederick Goethel	President	Galt
Lyndon Hawkins	Vice President	Elk Grove
David Tamayo	Secretary	City of Sacramento
Christopher Barker		Davis
Craig R Burnett		Folsom
Raul DeAnda		West Sacramento
Jayna Karpinski-Costa		Citrus Heights
Gregory Lanzaro		Winters
John Lewallen		Sacramento County
Rosemarie Moore		Isleton
Robert McGarvey		Rancho Cordova

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:**

Bruce Eldridge	Yolo County
Neal Peart	Woodland

**LEGAL COUNSEL:**

Richard Shanahan

**STAFF PRESENT:**

David Brown	Manager
Gary Goodman	Assistant Manager
Janna McLeod	Administrative Manager
Paula Macedo	Lab Director
Marty Scholl	Ecological Mgmt Supervisor
Demetri Dokos	Fisheries Supervisor
Luz Rodriguez	Public Information Officer

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 am by President Goethel.

**Roll Call**

Trustees Eldridge and Peart are absent.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

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

## **1. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL BY GENERAL CONSENT**

Trustee Karpinski-Costa requested a correction to item 1a., Minutes of the February 21, 2012 Board of Trustees Meeting. She requested a change to the first sentence of the first paragraph of item 6 on page 5. Staff will remove the word "because" and start a new sentence at the word "Many". Trustee Tamayo also requested a correction to item 1a. He requested a change on page 2 item 3b, to reflect that he attended and presented at the Storm Water session rather than just attended it. He also requested a correction to following sentence changing "Office of Ontario" to "California Department of Public Health".

On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Hawkins, the Board unanimously approved items a through c of general consent:

- a. Minutes of the February 21, 2012 Board of Trustees (with corrections noted above);
- b. Expenditures for February 2012;
- c. Adoption of Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Contract with County of Sacramento, division of Public Health.

## **2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ralph Moore, member of the public, said the public present at the meeting was satisfied.

## **3. REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

### **a. Managers Report:**

Manager Brown submitted an oral report including a reminder about the upcoming MVCAC Legislative Day which will be held on April 17, 2012. Manager Brown discussed the introduction of SB1249 and potential affects it could have on public health. He also informed the Board the MVCAC Regulatory Affairs Committee, which he chairs, has taken steps to hire a regulatory affairs firm to assist in identifying and addressing issues facing mosquito and vector control in California.

Manager Brown gave a summary of the AMCA Annual Meeting held in Austin Texas February 26<sup>th</sup> through March 1<sup>st</sup>. Trustee Tamayo also attended the AMCA annual meeting and submitted an oral report on the sessions he attended. Trustee Tamayo commended David Brown and Gary Goodman on the presentations they gave at AMCA.

Manager Brown shared financial reports from the VCJPA Meeting that was held in Napa March 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. He noted the District will experience a rate increase of \$23,000 in the coming year. He also included the Experience Modifier presentation in which the District was used as the example. After some discussion the Board asked for a review of the current Liability Pool Retained Limits to determine if any savings could be achieved by changing them.

Staff has been meeting with various elected officials throughout the District and Presentations were made by Manager Brown to the City of Rancho Cordova City Council and to the City of Davis City Council. Trustee McGarvey commended Manager Brown on his presentation to the Rancho Cordova City Council.

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

**Lab/Surveillance:** Lab Director, Paula Macedo discussed trap collections and surveillance activities for mosquitoes and ticks. *Anopheles freeborni* numbers are higher than the 5-year average but down from 2011. Since the first positive dead bird collected in January no other signs of West Nile virus activity have been seen. Encephalitis virus testing has begun. Tick surveillance identified 4 positive pools (Lyme) in the month of February. Nymph collection will begin soon; they are typically out in June/July.

**Ecological Management:** Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl reported on the ongoing planning projects including Central Valley Flood Protection Plan, Nicolaus Ranch Mitigation Bank, Delta Conservation Plan, and NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service. He reported on Stormwater/Drainages including Stormwater Phase II NPDES permits, and Delta Meadows/US Bureau of Reclamation. He also discussed Managed Wetlands indicating the Duck Clubs and Dept of Fish and Game are beginning to submit 2012 wetland management plans. Lastly Marty mentioned Source Reduction/Access Projects highlighting that spring mowing has begun.

**Fisheries:** Fisheries Supervisor, Demetri Dokos reported on the fisheries projects and general maintenance. The department has been stocking ponds, performing service requests for pools and mosquitofish in addition to attending trainings and performing safety inspections. Decking around the new tanks in the fisheries building has been finished to cover up tripping hazards.

**Control Operations:** Assistant Manager, Gary Goodman reported for the Field Supervisors who are continuing annual training and calibrating equipment for the season. The pool program visits for previously identified and monitored pools will increase during spring time. Gary informed the board that Interviews for Seasonal Helpers had begun.

**Public Information/Outreach:** Public Information Officer, Luz Rodriguez reviewed the status of the Fight the Bite Calendar Contest with 530 entries received to date. 19 presentations have been given at schools with another 44 scheduled for the season. During February a press release was issued for the first sign of West Nile Virus Activity. Other media coverage in February included a newspaper article in the Sacramento Bee and stories on News 10, Fox 40, and CBS 13. Usage and benefits of Social Media such as Facebook and Twitter were also discussed.

### **c. NPDES PERMIT UPDATE AND POTENTIAL IMPACT ON DISTRICT PROGRAMS AND POLICIES**

The permit is up for amendment and Mr. Shanahan, representing MVCAC, will be doing a presentation in front of the State Water Resources Conservation Board (SWRCB) at their meeting on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. The amendments include changes to current restrictions of applications to 303(d) listed waterways and inclusion of new products. Board packets include copies of comment pieces submitted to the SWRCB by MVCAC and San Francisco Baykeeper. Staff is waiting to see what happens with the Permit as a result of the meeting on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Moving forward the MVCAC Regulatory Affairs firm will work on this issue as well as others such as the HR872 language.

**c. NPDES PERMIT UPDATE cont.**

With the permit issues emphasizing larviciding versus adulticiding Manager Brown requested feedback on how the Board wants staff to address mosquito control activities on existing and future habitat and wetland restoration projects like those mentioned in the Ecological Management report. Manager Brown would like to make these groups aware of potential unintended consequences of current and future habitat and wetland restoration projects while the district is complying with an NPDES permit.

The Board directed staff to pull the previous position resolution that addresses these projects and bring it back next month. Staff will work with legal counsel to review the language to bring it up to date and ensure that it properly addresses current permit restrictions.

Manager Brown also requested direction on staff presentations at other board and council meetings where decisions are being made that may affect mosquito control activities. The Board directed staff to speak/present at meetings regarding current and future mosquito control concerns under the NPDES Permit.

**4. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION TO MAKE APPOINTMENT TO SUCCESSOR AGENCY OVERSIGHT BOARDS PURSUANT TO ABX1 26 DISSOLUTION ACT WHERE THE DISTRICT IS THE LARGEST SPECIAL DISTRICT BY PROPERTY TAX SHARE.**

At previous meetings the District Board authorized the appointed representative from the incorporated city to serve on the oversight Boards. A letter clarifying a representative from SYMVCD should be appointed for the Oversight Board of the City of Sacramento was provided. On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Barker, the Board voted in favor of appointing Trustee David Tamayo as the SYMVCD representative to the Oversight Board of the City of Sacramento; Trustee Karpinski-Costa voted no.

**5. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION TO MOVE THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING IN APRIL FROM APRIL 17TH TO APRIL 24TH**

Due to a conflict with the scheduled MVCAC Legislative Days staff recommended moving the Board meeting date to April 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. On a motion by Trustee Karpinski-Costa, seconded by Trustee Burnett, the Board voted unanimously in favor of moving the meeting date to April 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

At this point, President Goethel moved item 7. before item 6.

**7. BOARD/STAFF GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Staff and Trustees discussed the completion of their Ethics and Harassment Prevention Training. The training can be done via computer online or it can be provided after an upcoming Board meeting. Arrangements will be made for those needing the training.

At this point, President Goethel called a 5 minute break at 12:20 pm

**6. CLOSED SESSION FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE.**

The Board went into Closed Session at 12:25 p.m.


**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The Board returned with nothing to report in Open Session.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

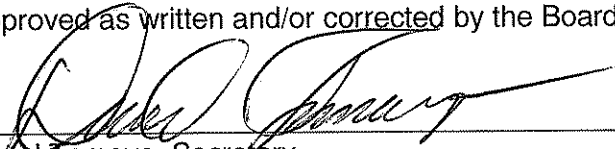
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I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the general business and actions taken by the Board of Trustees at the March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012 meeting.



David Brown, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012 meeting.



David Tamayo, Secretary

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