

**MINUTES OF THE MAY 21, 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
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
Rosemarie Moore		Isleton

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:**

Vacant	Galt
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**LEGAL COUNSEL:**

Jennifer Buckman

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Gary Goodman	Manager
Samer Elkashef	Assistant Manager
Janna McLeod	Administrative Manager
Marty Scholl	Ecological Management Supervisor
Steven Ramos	Program Coordinator
Tony Hedley	Fisheries Supervisor

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**Roll Call**

The Trustee for Galt is vacant until the city has appointed a new Trustee. All other Trustees were in attendance at the meeting; therefore, 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**

On a motion by Trustee Maggy seconded by Trustee Denny the Board voted to approve General Consent Items a. through d. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 12, Noes: 0, Absent: 0

- a. Minutes of the April 17, 2019 Board of Trustees Meeting;
- b. Expenditures for April 2019;
- c. District Investment Report for Period Ending March 31, 2019;
- d. Board Review and Consideration of a Temporary Work Assignment for Up to Two Months.

## **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 getting very busy and control operations are in full swing. The District has begun testing both birds and mosquito collections in May. Staff has started working some overtime to address high populations. The AMCA Washington Conference was held on May 13-17, 2019. Manager Goodman and Trustee Denny attended and the main topics discussed with our legislators were the NPDES fix, funding for the SMASH Act, CDC, and the Endangered Species Act. Copies of the position papers were included in the packet. AB 320 (CalSurv Gateway) was heard in the Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee on March 12th and has now been referred to the Committee on Appropriations. The support from the legislature continues to be positive and we hope to get this in statute this year. Mosquito and West Nile Virus Awareness Week went very well with a number of activities that generated significant media coverage.

### **b. Reports from AMCA Legislative Day:**

Trustee Sean Denny attended and noted the importance of educating the changing representatives and their staff each year. Staff can play a key role in how the messages are received and addressed by each of the legislator's offices. Visiting multiple state representatives on behalf of the AMCA is crucial in gaining support for mosquito and vector control across the nation.

**c. 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, Tick and Lyme disease surveillance, studies and collaborations. Dead bird and Sentinel chicken testing have both begun with no positive birds yet. Ten sample pools have tested positive for lyme disease out of the 358 sample pools collected to date. Positive samples were collected from Nimbus Dam Overlook, Willow Creek, and Cache Creek Blue Ridge Trail. The District is hosting a Bottle Bioassay Workshop and Testing on May 22<sup>nd</sup> with Alameda, Contra Costa, Sutter Yuba and Turlock Districts expected to attend.

**Ecological Management:** Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl discussed department activities including Stormwater/Drainages, Wetland Program, Pool Program, Agricultural Program, and the UAS Program. Staff spoke at the Small Unmanned Systems Business Exposition held in San Francisco on the wide ranging uses of UAS in Vector Control. Leading Edge performed drone applications on a total of 800 acres last year and so far this year we have 700 acres treated to date, with more being planned. An Aerial survey took place with mailed notices going out to the green pools identified from the survey. Staff is preparing inspection warrants to gain access to backyard pools where entry has not been granted to our technicians.

**Biological Control:** Fisheries Supervisor, Tony Hedley reported on department activity including servicing equipment, repairing nets, and fish usage. Up to 290 lbs has been used for spring sources and green pools so far this season. Technicians have been focusing on improving the dissolved oxygen content in the ponds. When dissolved oxygen is at ideal levels it assists with maximizing fish production. Technicians are continuing to work on crayfish removal and predatory exclusions over the ponds with additional fencing being installed within the next month.

**Larval and Adult Control:** Program Coordinator, Steve Ramos reported on control operations activities including project work, pool notice calls and appointments. Technicians are working in their zones checking and treating sources as needed. Morning ULV treatments have been performed in both counties as a result of high *Aedes* populations. Product treatment trials are in the beginning phases for this year and aerial applicators will be calibrated this month to be ready for treatment orders.

**Public Outreach:** Public Information Officer, Luz Robles provided a written report in the Board packet.

#### **4. BOARD REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF DISTRICT PLAN FOR 2019 RICE LARVICIDE APPLICATIONS AND AERIAL ADULTICIDING PROGRAM**

Manager Goodman introduced this item with reporting from Program Coordinator, Steve Ramos. Steve reviewed the Rice Larvicide Program and the Aerial Adulticide Program including expected acreage, products to be used, buffer areas, and the aerial applicators that will conduct aerial applications. He also reviewed differences in products used for conventional rice fields versus organic rice fields. No action was taken by the Board as this was an information item only.

#### **5. BOARD REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF DRAFT DISTRICT BUDGET FOR 2019-2020**

Manager Goodman introduced this item and was available to answer questions. Manager Goodman discussed the March to March Western Region CPI of 2.4% and the potential costs associated with providing such an increase to non-represented staff. The Board directed staff to include these costs in the next reading of the draft 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 first reading of the draft budget. The second reading will be in June with the request for approval at the July Board meeting.

**6. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF SUPPORTING THE AMCA RESEARCH FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000**

Manager Goodman introduced this item and was available to answer questions. On a motion by Trustee Burnett, seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board voted to authorize a donation to the AMCA Research Foundation in the Amount of \$50,000. The motion passed with a vote of Ayes: 12, Noes: 0, Absent: 0.

**7. 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 11:42 am. The Board returned from closed session and re-opened the regular meeting at 12:07 pm with nothing to report.

**5. BOARD/STAFF GENERAL DISCUSSION**

AMCA has a new management firm,-AMG, the same firm as MVCAC

MVCAC Summer Meeting July 18th

VCJPA Meeting on June 5th

Staff will have a pre-renewal meeting with Alliant for 2020 benefits


The VDCI Contract Renewal is set to expire at the end of the year

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

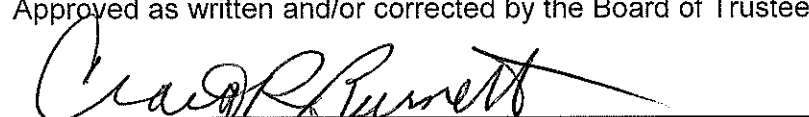
The meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm.

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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 May 21, 2019 meeting.

  
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Gary Goodman, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the June 18, 2019 meeting.

  
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Craig Burnett, Board Secretary