

**MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 27, 2013
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:

David Tamayo	Vice President	City of Sacramento
Christopher Barker	Secretary	Davis
Frederick Goethel		Galt
Bruce Eldridge		Yolo County
Jayna Karpinski-Costa		Citrus Heights
John Lewallen		Sacramento County
Raul DeAnda		West Sacramento
Robert McGarvey		Rancho Cordova

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Lyndon Hawkins	President	Elk Grove
Rosemarie Moore		Isleton
Gregory Lanzaro		Winters
Craig Burnett		Folsom
Neal Peart		Woodland

LEGAL COUNSEL:

Richard Shanahan

STAFF PRESENT:

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Vice President Tamayo.

Roll Call

Trustees Rosemarie Moore, Lyndon Hawkins, Gregory Lanzaro, Craig Burnett, and Neal Peart are absent; however, a quorum is 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 Karpinski-Costa, seconded by Trustee Goethel, the Board voted to approve General Consent items a. through g. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 8, Noes: 0, absent: 5.

- a. Minutes of the July 16, 2013 Board of Trustees meeting;
- b. Expenditures for July 2013;
- c. Board Review and Affirmation of District Investment Policy;
- d. Board Declaration of District Surplus Items;
- e. Authorization to Grant \$50,000.00 to Mosquito Research Foundation;
- f. Board Renewal of MVCAC Membership Dues not to exceed \$8,000.00;
- g. Board Nomination of Lyndon Hawkins as Trustee Representative for the Sacramento Valley Region on the MVCAC Trustee Council.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

3. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

a. Presentation by Noel Lerner (Office Chief, Flood Maintenance Department, California Department of Water Resources)

Mr. Lerner gave a presentation on Flood Maintenance within Sacramento and Yolo Counties including the Natomas East Main Drainage Canal (NEMDC). He discussed planned projects and activities for his department over the next few years. He went over Regional and System Improvements and Residual Risk Management. He also discussed how his department is addressing mosquito abatement related issues and how they intend to work with the District on our Integrated Pest Management program efforts. A brief question and answer period followed Mr. Lerner's presentation. The Board thanked Mr. Lerner for attending and presenting at the meeting.

b. Managers Report:

Manager Brown submitted a written report and provided an oral report.

Manager Brown discussed the upcoming District Financial Audit and provided the Board with a letter from the auditing firm informing them of the scope and duration of the audit as well as how to contact the firm should they have any questions or concerns regarding the audit.

Mr. Brown provided an update of the latest numbers we have relative to our budget estimates. Year end processes are ongoing and staff will continue to update the Board as numbers are updated and/or finalized.

Mr. Brown informed the Board of a recent area of concern in the Heritage Park housing development in Northern Sacramento County. The development borders rice fields that are

being treated and WNV activity has been identified in the area. Residents have been notified and asked to inspect their yards and report any standing water or other potential sources such as ponds, fountains and/or other water features.

c. 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 surveillance programs and resistance testing activities. Mosquito trap collections show abundance numbers of culex pipiens to be average while culex tarsalis numbers are high. Virus activity is widespread in both counties. Of the 4,218 mosquito pools tested so far this year 407 pools have been identified as positive for WNV. So far this year we have identified 150 positive dead birds with no additional positives coming from Wild Bird surveillance in July. Resistance testing activities are ongoing with bioassays being run using sumithrin, pyrethrins, etofenprox, resmethrin, malathion and naled. Lab Director Macedo also informed the Board that the District was recently notified that the California Department of Public Health's (CDPH) Dead Bird program budget has been cut by 40% as of August 1st. This funding cut will cause changes to both the CDPH program and our District program.

Ecological Management: Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl, reported on his department projects. Mr. Scholl reported on the status of Stormwater/Drainage projects with the City of Sacramento Department of Utilities, Delta Meadows, Hansen Ranch/NEMDC, and California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA). Marty will be presenting in conjunction with Mark Daniel of Greater LA MVCD at the annual CASQA Conference next month in Lake Tahoe. He updated the status of Regulatory, Environmental and Planning programs for the Lower Yolo Restoration, Bay Delta Conservation Plan, and the Yolo Bypass Fishery Enhancement Planning Team. Mr. Scholl also reported on the wetland program, providing updates on managed wetlands, Yolo County Grasslands Regional Park, Yolo County Resource Conservation District (YCRCD), Tyler Island LLC and the Lower Yolo Bypass Fall Flood Meeting held by the Dixon Reclamation Conservation District.

Fisheries: Fisheries Supervisor, Demetri Dokos, reported on the fisheries projects and general maintenance. Fish are continuing to be provided to technicians for service requests, the pool program and stocking of rice fields. From June 22nd through August 8th about 2700 lbs of mosquito fish were planted in approximately 8800 acres of rice fields; 1400 lbs of which was planted in organic fields. Regular and seasonal maintenance activities continue and include the draining and cleaning of ponds at our Bond Road facility.

Control Operations: Program Coordinator, Marcia Reed reported for the Field Supervisors. Control operations staff is busy conducting larval source checks and treatments. Backpack, truck and aerial ULV applications continue as high adult mosquito trap counts come in from both counties. Farm Air continues to perform aerial larvicide treatments, while VDCI and Dynamic Aviation have been utilized for adult aerial treatments. Catch Basin crews are continuing their evaluation of two new products, Mosquiron and Cocobear.

Public Information/Outreach: Public Information Officer, Luz Maria Rodriguez reviewed her department activities promoting the District including special events, school and community presentations and social media. Ms. Rodriguez indicated the ad campaign will end in September. She reviewed recent events the District attended including National Night Out. Approximately 75 cases of repellent were provided to neighborhood and community groups for the popular event. At the end of her report Ms. Rodriguez passed out copies of the finished 2014 Calendar featuring the winners' art work.

4. BOARD REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT TO PERFORM PERS ACTUARIAL STUDY ON RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

Manager Brown reviewed the quotes provided in the packet and a brief discussion of data to be included in the valuation request followed.

On a motion by Trustee DeAnda, seconded by Trustee Eldridge, the Board voted to approve the selection of Bickmore Risk Services to perform the Actuarial Valuation with authorization for the Manager to make adjustments to the request and to negotiate any resulting changes in the fee quoted for the service. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 8, Noes: 0, Absent: 5.

5. CLOSED SESSION

(a) Public Employee Performance Evaluation of the Manager.

(b) Public Employee Appointment of a New Manager.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 11:45 a.m.

The Board re-opened the meeting at 12:15 p.m. and reported the following:

Manager David Brown has submitted and the Board has accepted his intent to retire as the Manager of the District effective December 31, 2013. The Board has unanimously voted to make a preliminary appointment of Gary Goodman as the Manager effective January 1, 2014 subject to the negotiation, preparation, and approval of an Employment Agreement between the District and Mr. Goodman.

6. BOARD PRESIDENT APPOINTMENT OF AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO PREPARE AND NEGOTIATE A DISTRICT MANAGER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH NEW MANAGER.

Trustee Goethel proposed the ad-hoc committee members remain the same as the committee previously formed last year to evaluate District organizational structure and staffing needs. That committee consisted of Trustee Christopher Barker, Trustee Lyn Hawkins, Trustee Dave Tamayo and Trustee Fred Goethel. Vice President Dave Tamayo asked the Board for other suggestions, comments or concerns; hearing none he appointed the same committee of Trustee Barker, Trustee Hawkins, Trustee Goethel and Trustee Tamayo to prepare and negotiate a District Manager Employment Agreement with Mr. Goodman.

7. BOARD /STAFF GENERAL DISCUSSION

Manager Brown informed the Board that Lab Director, Paula Macedo will be attending the 6th International Congress of the Society for Vector Ecology (SOVE) to be held September 22-27, 2013.

He also informed the Board that Assistant Manager Gary Goodman will be attending and speaking at the Utah Mosquito Abatement Association's Annual Conference to be held October 6-8, 2013.

The MVCAC 2013 Fall Meeting is scheduled for October 23-25, 2013 in Seaside and any Board Members interested in attending should let staff know before the registration deadline. Lyndon Hawkins has put together a Trustee Session that will be held as part of the Fall Meeting.

Vice President Tamayo noted that, if appropriate, he'd like the Board to be able to have an opportunity to provide Mr. Goodman with input on the qualifications and characteristics the ideal candidate should possess for the Assistant Manager position. Manager Brown indicated that the Board had previously given him this input and that he will provide this information to Mr. Goodman.

Trustee Tamayo also asked for a report on how the Lab will adjust to CDPH's Dead Bird Surveillance program funding cuts. Manager Brown indicated it is probably too soon to agendize the matter for the next meeting. Staff is still receiving information on program changes and is working on ideas to address them. Staff will update the Board as the changes are implemented in the coming months.

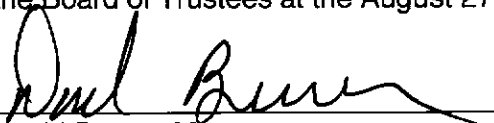
Trustee Karpinski-Costa brought up the matter of rice fields including Integrated Pest Management and the potential fees the District has previously discussed for mosquito control work in fields that produce mosquitoes. She wants to make sure the topic doesn't get dropped during the transition from one Manager to the next. Vice President Tamayo suggested an update be presented to the Board in the next 2-3 months.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Tamayo adjourned the meeting at 12:35 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 August 27, 2013 meeting.



David Brown, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the September 17, 2013 meeting.



Christopher Barker, Secretary