

**MINUTES OF THE JULY 16, 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:

Lyndon Hawkins	President	Elk Grove
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
Craig Burnett		Folsom
Neal Peart		Woodland

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Rosemarie Moore	Isleton
Gregory Lanzaro	Winters

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 10:03 am by President Hawkins.

Roll Call

Trustees Rosemarie Moore and Gregory Lanzaro 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

A correction was noted by Trustee Barker related to item a. In the last sentence under item 6 of the June Board Meeting Minutes the word spring should be replaced by the word summer. The MVCAC meeting being held on July 18 is the summer meeting.

On a motion by Trustee Burnett, seconded by Trustee McGarvey, the Board voted to approve General Consent items a. through e. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, absent: 2.

- a. Minutes of the June 18, 2013 Board of Trustees meeting (with the correction noted above);
- b. Expenditures for June 2013;
- c. Transfer of \$327,000 from Unassigned fund account to VCJPA Membership Contingency Fund;
- d. Board Authorization to Sign Aerial Contract with Clarke Mosquito Control and Dynamic Aviation;
- e. Board authorization of \$1,000.00 to support travel of 1(one) District staff member to attend Utah Mosquito Abatement Association.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

3. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

a. Managers Report:

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

Manager Brown discussed a meeting that District staff and Trustee Peart attended with the land manager of the Conaway Conservancy. A discussion of mosquito control issues relative to organic rice followed.

Manager Brown updated the Board on the status of *Aedes aegypti* that has been found in Fresno and Madera County. The area the species has been found in has expanded since he reported on it last month and staff continues to monitor the situation as it progresses.

Manager Brown briefly discussed the Grand Jury report that was released on the San Joaquin County Mosquito and Vector Control District.

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 mosquito surveillance and resistance testing activities. Of 2,452 mosquito pools tested so far this year 118 pools have been identified as West Nile virus (WNV) positive pools. To date, 24 dead birds have tested positive for WNV.

Virus activity seems fairly widespread; however areas in Citrus Heights, Antelope, Davis and Woodland have been identified as areas of concern due to mosquito abundance or more positive pools being found.

During four days in the field for Wild bird surveillance in June 149 birds were captured in the nets and blood samples were taken from 107 birds with no additional positives identified.

The District Lab hosted the Sacramento Valley Region insecticide resistance testing workshop on June 27th. The group tested mosquito populations from Sacramento, Placer, Lake, Shasta, Butte, Alameda, and Colusa counties for resistance to sumithrin (pyrethroid) and naled (organophosphate). Ms. Macedo reviewed preliminary results and indicated further evaluation of these populations is being conducted.

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 Elk Grove, Elder Creek, and Hansen Ranch/NEMDC. He updated the status of Environmental and Planning for the Magpie Creek Bridge and Creek Re-alignment and US Army Corps of Engineers. Mr. Scholl also reported on the wetland program, providing updates on managed wetlands, Natural Resource Conservation Services, and Yolo County Grasslands Regional Park.

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. Regular and seasonal maintenance activities are ongoing.

Control Operations: Program Coordinator, Marcia Reed reported for the Field Supervisors. Control operations staff is busy with larval treatments and source radius work around positive pools, positive dead birds, and high trap count areas. High trap counts and virus activity have initiated backpack, truck and aerial ULV applications as well. Catch Basin crews have begun efficacy testing on control products in Woodland, Davis and Sacramento.

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 we are at the height of the ad campaign and briefly discussed recent media coverage. At the end of her report Ms. Rodriguez passed out copies of the 2012 Annual Report and informed the Board the report has been posted on the District web site.

c. Update on District West Nile Virus Activity

The District conducted aerial adulticiding with Vector Disease Control Inc ("VDCI") over large areas of agriculture and open space beginning July 5th in Sacramento and Yolo County in response to high mosquito counts and infection rates. The public was notified through our established conventional media outlets, as well as through our e-mail notification program, announcements on the District website and facebook page. Labels/MSDS sheets are available on our website along with daily updates on upcoming applications.

d. Staff Report and Evaluation of 2013 Pension Reform Act

Staff is seeking policy direction from the Board on how to address pension reform changes and provided the Board with a written report to evaluate potential options and associated costs. Pension reform legislation requires employees hired after January 1, 2013 to pay the employee portion of the retirement contribution and prohibits the employer from paying it on their behalf.

The legislation does not require this of employees hired before January 1, 2013 and employers are able to choose to continue to pay all or part of the contribution for those employees. According to staff research some employers in surrounding area are continuing to pay the employee contribution while others are not. After reviewing the options presented, the Board directed staff to obtain more information including an actuarial valuation and salary study. An ad-hoc committee was suggested and Board President Hawkins appointed the committee. The committee members will be Trustees Goethel, Barker and Hawkins. The committee's first meeting will be set at a later date.

4. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF DISTRICT OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2013-2014 FISCAL YEAR.

Manager Brown reviewed the budget including revenue projections, assumptions and expenditures. On a motion by Trustee Burnett, seconded by Trustee Goethel, the Board voted to approve the 2013-2014 Budget. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, Absent: 2.

5. BOARD AUTHORIZATION TO PAY 2013/2014 ANNUAL PREMIUM INVOICE OF \$287,159.00 FOR COVERAGE THROUGH THE VECTOR CONTROL JOINT POWERS AGENCY.

On a motion by Trustee Burnett, seconded by Trustee Eldridge, the Board voted to approve the payment of the 2013-2014 Annual Premium Invoice of \$287,159.00. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, Absent: 2.

6. BOARD /STAFF GENERAL DISCUSSION

Manager Brown recommended a closed session item for next month to discuss next steps as his employment contract will be ending at the end of fiscal year 2013-2014.

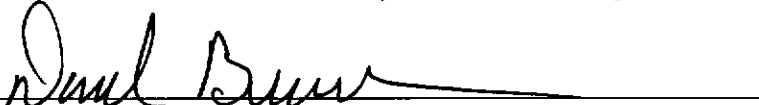
Trustee Barker mentioned he may miss the August Board meeting. The possibility of him being able to attend via teleconference or skype was briefly discussed.

7. ADJOURNMENT

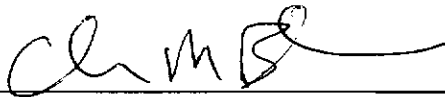
President Hawkins adjourned the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

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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 July 16, 2013 meeting.


David Brown, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the August 27, 2013 meeting.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ch M B', written over a horizontal line.

Christopher Barker, Secretary