MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 18, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SACRAMENTO-YOLO MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

Location: 8631 Bond Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624 Time: 10:00 a.m.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Board President Craig Burnett at 10:00 a.m.

Trustees Present:

Craig Burnett	President	Folsom
Gar House	Vice President	Winters
Marcia Mooney	Secretary	Galt
Janell Darroch		West Sacramento
Sean Denny		Woodland
Jayna Karpinski-Costa		Citrus Heights
Raymond LaTorre		Sacramento
Robert McGarvey		Rancho Cordova
Staci Gardiner		Isleton
Bruce Eldridge		Yolo County

Trustees Absent:

Christopher Barker	Davis
Lyndon Hawkins	Elk Grove

Legal Counsel Present:

Jennifer Buckman

Staff Present:

Gary Goodman	Manager	
Samer Elkashef	Assistant Manager	
Shelley Eckler	Administrative Manager	
Sarah Wheeler	Laboratory Director	
Steve Ramos	Program Coordinator	
Tony Hedley	Fisheries Supervisor	
Dan Fisher	IT Administrator	

Roll Call

This meeting was held and attended by Video Teleconference. Attendance was taken by Roll Call. All Trustees except two were in attendance; therefore, a quorum was present.

Pledge of Allegiance

All phones and electronic devices are requested to be silenced during the Pledge of Allegiance and for the duration of the meeting.

Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was observed honoring the recent passing of SYMVCD Trustee Susan Maggy.

1. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD MEETING BE CONDUCTED BY TELECONFERENCE

On a motion by Trustee Mooney and seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board voted to approve Item 1. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2.

2. Items for Approval by General Consent

On a motion by Trustee Denny and seconded by Trustee Mooney, the Board voted to approve General Consent Items a through c. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2.

- a. Minutes of the December 14, 2021 Board of Trustees Meeting
- b. Expenditures for December 2021
- c. Board Review and Consideration of District Annual Safety Committee Report

3. **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 no public comments made.

4. **Reports to the Board**

Manager's Report: Gary Goodman mentioned the District was on a holiday break from 12/23/2021 through 1/2/2022. He also stated the District staff is taking earned vacation time and completing annual training during this time of year including remote work when available. Staff is working on the annual NPDES report that will be due to the SWRCB in March. The MVCAC Annual Conference will be held in Sacramento February 7th through the 9th with the MVCAC Board Meeting being held on the 10th. Trustees Gardiner, Karpinsky-Costa and Darroch are scheduled to attend the conference.

Please be advised that you will need to submit your Conflict of Interest Form 700 prior to April 2022. The District will provide you with the Form 700 via email and we need to date stamp the Form when you return it. Please submit the Form as soon as possible after receiving it.

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.

Information Technology: Dan Fisher highlighted projects that he has been working on throughout the year and projects that have been completed. Dan spoke about increasing the efficiency of using MapVision with the upgrades installed and how he and the staff are seeing great results. Dan also spoke about the phone upgrade plans and iPad updates. Dan mentioned his attendance at CalSurv meetings and how his presentations have been well received.

Lab/Surveillance: Sarah Wheeler noted that they are seeing an upward trend at one site with the winter species, *Culiseta inornata*. There have been no Aedes detections since 12/1/201, but they will continue to monitor in Elder Creek and Elk Grove over the winter months to get a feel for seasonal trends.

Sarah stated that the team is currently tick flagging and are detecting average numbers. They have had evidence of ticks at East Lake, Natomas, Upper Sunrise, Nimbus Overlook and Negro Bar. They have noted that Infection rates are not as high so far this year in areas considered high risk.

Sarah stated that she and the team are getting ready for the upcoming season by repairing traps and converting traps to run on battery power.

Sarah reviewed the annual Bird count data and said the numbers are similar to previous years with a little bit lower number on total number of species which is likely due to tree work being done on site and the heavy rain that flooded the marsh area.

Sarah was asked to give a short talk during CDC's Vector week-Jan. 25-27. Sarah stated that she will be highlighting collaborations with the Regional Centers of Excellence that the District is currently involved in as a part of her presentation.

Ecological Management: Marty Scholl was not in attendance but a written report was provided. Gary Goodman highlighted the recent work on the trailer that Marty and his team had completed.

Biological Control: Tony Hedley stated that the District has planted about 0.825 pounds of fish during the last month. He also mentioned that this time of year work will shift from fish planting to working on nets, ordering supplies and getting ready for the new season. Tony and his team are also working on their annual training modules. Tony discussed the process for repairing and hanging nets and noted that the nets have anywhere from a 5-10 year life-span.

Larval and Adult Control: Steve Ramos gave an update on service requests noting that they have dropped off for the year. Most calls involve field technicians assessing the sight and providing recommendations. The department received one yellow jacket service request from The Sacramento Zoo where only 2 yellow jackets were found. Continuing Education is currently taking place during the off season. Steve also mentioned that Baseline testing has been implemented which helps to determine where staff need additional focus for future/annual training. The annual pesticide training will be in March.

Public Outreach: Luz Robles was not in attendance but a written report was provided. Gary Goodman mentioned that we will be starting preparation for the Fight the Bite art contest and we are currently moving forward with production plans for a video assembly to present virtually at area schools.

5. **Board Review of District 5-Year Plan:** Assistant Manager Samer Elkashef presented an overview of the District's 5-Year Plan. Samer noted that the plan was developed in 2015 as a way to determine how we can grow our District and become better and more efficient in our daily work. Samer summarized accomplishments that have taken place since the plan was put in place. Samer pointed out the reference table included in the report where the progress of the individual projects is being tracked.

6. **Board Review and Consideration for Approval of Additional Supervisor Position to Head the Aedes Department:** Gary Goodman gave overview of reasons for needing an additional supervisor for the Aedes Crew. On a motion by Trustee Denny and seconded by Trustee Mooney, the Board voted to approve Item 6. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2.

7. Closed Session-Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Gov. Code § 54957): Manager

The board went into closed session at 11:02 am. The meeting reconvened in open session at 11:34 a.m. Jeni Buckman reported out of closed session with no action taken.

8. Board Consideration and Approval of District Officers for President, Vice President, and Secretary and Delegating the Manager to Perform the Responsibilities of the Secretary

Once a year at the end of the January meeting the District elects new board officers. Gary Goodman called for nominations for President, Vice President and Secretary. On a motion by Trustee Karpinski-Costa nominating Trustee Mooney as President and seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board voted to approve Marcia Mooney as the next board president. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2.

The Board voted on a motion by Trustee Karpinski-Costa seconded by Trustee Robert McGarvey nominating Trustee House as Vice President and Trustee Denny as Secretary. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2.

9. Board/Staff General Discussion

Gary Goodman mentioned that he would like the MCVAC Conference attendees to give a brief overview of the meeting at the next board meeting

10. Adjournment

With no further business to conduct the meeting was adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the general business and actions taken by the Board of Trustees at the January 18, 2022 meeting.

Gary Goodman, Manager

Approved as written, and/or corrected, by the Board of Trustees at the February 15, 2021, meeting.

Marcia Mooney, Board Secretary