

**MINUTES OF THE June 21, 2022
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
SACRAMENTO-YOLO MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Board Vice President Gar House at 10:03 a.m.

Trustees Present:

Gar House	Vice President	Winters
Sean Denny	Secretary	Woodland
Christopher Barker		Davis
Craig Burnett		Folsom
Janell Darroch		West Sacramento
Lyndon Hawkins		Elk Grove
Jayna Karpinski-Costa		Citrus Heights
Raymond LaTorre		Sacramento
Bruce Eldridge		Yolo County
Staci Gardiner		Isleton
Charles Duty		Sacramento County
Robert McGarvey		

Trustee Mooney was absent.

Legal Counsel Present:

Jennifer Buckman

Staff Present:

Gary Goodman	Manager
Samer Elkashef	Assistant Manager
Sarah Wheeler	Laboratory Director
Steve Ramos	Program Coordinator
Marty Scholl	Ecological Management Supervisor

Roll Call

This meeting was held in person and also by video teleconference. Attendance was taken by Roll Call. All Trustees aside from Trustee McGarvey and Trustee Barker were in attendance and Trustee House was present via teleconference; 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.

- 1. Board Review and Consideration to Authorize the Board Meeting be Conducted by Teleconference**

On a motion by Trustee Denny and seconded by Trustee Darroch , the Board voted to approve conducting the meeting by teleconference: The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 12, Noes: 0, Absent:1 .

2. Items for Approval by General Consent

On a motion by Trustee Burnett and seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board voted to approve General Consent Items a, b and c. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 12, Noes: 0, Absent: 1.

- a. Minutes of the May 25, 2022 Board of Trustees Meeting
- b. Expenditures for May 2022
- c. Board Review and Consideration to Extend a Temporary Work Assignment until August 13th, 2022

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 was no public comment.

4. Reports to the Board

Manager's Report: General Manager Gary Goodman gave an overview of the West Nile virus activity that has been detected within the District, which has mainly been found in the bird population. He then briefly went over the *Aedes aegypti* detections from the early season. Gary then mentioned that the AI sorting and pooling robot has arrived and that training was done by Senecio staff at the District. He described the several Sterile Insect Technique platforms that are available and that the District is actively engaging with the companies spearheading the work. Manager Goodman then closed with an overview of the federal budget and that AMCA is pursuing funding for both the SMASH Act and the TICK Act to help support mosquito control efforts.

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, Sarah Wheeler provided an oral report in addition to her written report. Sarah gave an overview of mosquito population trends and West Nile virus activity. Sarah then transitioned to the District's surveillance efforts in both suburban and rural areas. She then closed her presentation with an overview of virus activity across the State.

Ecological Management: Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl provided an oral report in addition to his written report. Marty gave an overview of the drainage projects that the department has been working on. He then highlighted the drone treatments that the District has been working on with Leading Edge Associates. Marty closed with the status of the enforcement side of the District's Pool Program.

Biological Control: Fisheries Supervisor, Tony Hedley provided a written report.

Larval and Adult Control: Program Coordinator Steve Ramos provided an oral report in

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addition to his written report. Steve mentioned that field staff are seeing a big increase in the level of larval detections in the District and that larger treatments are becoming more commonplace. He mentioned that the District has just over 16,000 acres of rice, which is a marked decrease from previous years, and that the District's rice program is in full swing with inspections and treatments already being performed. Steve closed with the activities of the District's new Aedes Crew and an overview of District trials.

Public Outreach: Public Information Officer, Luz Maria Robles provided an oral report in addition to her written report. Luz started by reviewing the various advertising outlets that the District is utilizing this season including billboards, radio, television and public affairs shows. Luz then transitioned to the media coverage that the District has received from the media outlets in the area. She then highlighted the events that the District has been able to participate in where repellent has been given out in large quantities. Luz closed with the District's activities during National Mosquito Awareness Week.

5. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF REPELLENT PURCHASE NOT TO EXCEED \$75,000

Manager Gary Goodman presented this item. The District received quotes from both SC Johnson and Ben's Deet for repellent. He also mentioned that the District sells repellent to other districts at cost. Trustee Burnett moved to approve and Trustee Denny seconded the motion to approve the purchase of Ben Deet repellent from Adventure Ready Brands. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 12, Noes: 0. Absent 1.

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

Gary Goodman presented this item. He mentioned that the District has a strong history of supporting the research foundation which is currently in the pre-proposal phase. Trustee McGarvey moved to approve and Trustee House seconded the motion to approve supporting the AMCA research fund with a \$50,000 donation. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 12, Noes: 0. Absent 1.

7. BOARD REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF DRAFT DISTRICT BUDGET FOR 2022-2023

Manager Gary Goodman highlighted that the revenues from Sacramento County are up 5.6% and 4% in Yolo County which makes for an aggregate increase of approximately 5.1%. The CalPERS UAL is currently at \$12.4M and the District has budgeted a \$1 Million discretionary payment. A review of the capital expenditures and projects for the next fiscal year was reviewed. The CPI was reported at 8.7% and a 5% salary increase was included in this version of the budget at a sum of \$131,500. Gary then gave a review of the various budget items and accounts.

8. CLOSED SESSION-PROVIDE INSTRUCTION TO DESIGNATED LABOR REPRESENTATIVES (Gov. Code 54957.6 –Labor Negotiations) AGENCY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES [GARY GOODMAN, SAMER ELKASHEF, KIM BOGARD] EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION: [OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION #3]

Mr. Felix Huerta Jr from OE3 provided a public comment on employee salary and benefits before the Board went into Closed Session at 11:26am. The Board came out of closed session at 11:54am. The Board reported that they gave direction to their designated representatives.

9. BOARD/STAFF REPORTS AND REQUESTS

The Board confirmed that the next Board meeting would be held on Tuesday, July 19th at 10am via Zoom.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:58am

I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the general business and actions taken by the Board of Trustees at the June 21, 2022, meeting.



Gary Goodman, Manager

Approved as written, and/or corrected, by the Board of Trustees at the July 19th, 2022, meeting.



Sean Denny, Board Secretary