

**MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 19, 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
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

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Christopher Barker	Davis
Rosemarie Moore	Isleton
Vacant	Galt

LEGAL COUNSEL:

Jennifer Buckman

STAFF PRESENT:

Gary Goodman	Manager
Samer Elkashef	Assistant Manager
Janna McLeod	Administrative Manager
Marcia Reed	Laboratory Director
Marty Scholl	Ecological Management Supervisor
Tony Hedley	Fisheries Supervisor
Luz Robles	Public Information Officer

CALL TO ORDER

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

Roll Call

Trustees Christopher Barker and Rosemarie Moore were absent; however, 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 Hawkins seconded by Trustee Burnett, the Board voted to approve General Consent Items a. through f. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2

- a. Minutes of the October 15, 2019 Board of Trustees Meeting;
- b. Expenditures for October 2019;
- c. 2019 District Annual Operating Plan Pursuant to Section 8 of the MOU between USFWS and SYMVCD;
- d. Board Consideration of Resolution Honoring John Fendick for His Years of Service;
- e. Board Consideration of Resolution Honoring Lisa FitzGerald for Her Years of Service;
- f. Board Review and Consideration for Rebate Program with Central Life Sciences.

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. BOARD REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF THE 2018-2019 DISTRICT AUDIT

Erica Pastor, partner with Mann, Urrutia, Nelson, CPAs and Associates, LLP, presented the audit report and was available to answer questions. Ms. Pastor indicated the District received an unmodified opinion, meaning they had no significant findings and no compliance issues as part of the audit. Ms. Pastor also indicated that all three items that were discussed in the management letter from the previous year audit had been addressed by staff and no instances were found during this audit. On a motion by Trustee Burnett seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board voted to accept the 2018-2019 Audit. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2

4. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

a. Manager's Report:

The District's West Nile testing season is complete. We will begin testing again in late spring. We are continuing to monitor the invasive mosquito issue in Citrus Heights and the surrounding area. Staff is working on winter projects including maintenance of equipment, the facility, and completing our annual training. The District, in conjunction with Placer MVCD and Greater Los Angeles MVCD, applied for a section 18, emergency exemption, with the California Department of Pesticide Regulation. The section 18 is attempting to get CDPR approval for *Wolbachia* infected male *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes. We are seeking this approval with CDPR to set the framework for utilizing this control effort in the spring if needed. The MVCAC Quarterly Meeting was held in Visalia on October 29th and 30th. A brief summary of the discussion points from each committee was included in the Board packet. The MVCAC Planning Session will be held in Burlingame on December 3rd and 4th.

b. 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, studies and collaborations in her written report. For her oral report Ms. Reed reviewed the trapping scheme and detections within the areas of concern for *Aedes aegypti* within Citrus Heights and the Pocket area of Sacramento County. Regular trapping in these areas is ongoing and will continue through the winter. The happy bamboo plant that *Aedes* mosquitoes and eggs were collected from in the Pocket area was on display at the meeting. The plant had been given to a resident as a gift from someone living in southern California where *Aedes* mosquitoes are more prevalent. This illustrates how they can travel into areas they haven't been detected in yet.

Ecological Management: Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl discussed department activities including Stormwater/Drainages, UAS Program, the Pool and *Aedes* Access Enforcement Program, Wetland Program and Winter Brush Access Projects. Leading Edge Aerial finished out this season with over 3,663 acres of UAS treatments under the contracted agreement with the District. The District was able to obtain a blanket warrant for the first time and used it to gain access to nine individual properties for inspections within the Citrus Heights area where *Aedes aegypti* has been detected. Manager Goodman commended Marty Scholl on the time and effort he dedicated to working with legal counsel and the court to obtaining the blanket warrant on behalf of the District.

Biological Control: Fisheries Supervisor, Tony Hedley discussed department activities including fish plants and usage, the ongoing pond dye study, crayfish control challenges, solar aerators and dissolved oxygen levels, and regular maintenance tasks. Fish stalking numbers for October are listed in the written report and 872 lbs of fish have been planted so far in November. This is a busy time of year for Fisheries with the stocking of wetlands and other flooded fields. The District has been looking for an individual or company that can assist with getting the crayfish under control in the District ponds and they started working on it this week. Tony also continues to put together his presentation on dissolved oxygen levels and pond yields for the MVCAC conference in January.

Larval and Adult Control: Program Coordinator, Steve Ramos provided a written report. Manager Goodman provided a brief discussion of the Aerial contract Summary with VDCI and the San Joaquin, Placer and Turlock mosquito districts.

Public Outreach: Public Information Officer, Luz Robles reported on department activities including Invasive Mosquitoes Public Outreach, School Program, Advertising Campaign, Events, and Presentations. Staff is working with a company that is providing assistance with assembly presentations for schools using the mosquito buster theme and activities. They are developing a timeline and script for promoting the fight the bite contest. We are hoping this will help grow the contest and get the District messages out to more students with the goal of holding two assemblies per month. Staff is beginning to compile the list of events to attend for next year; as well as working on selecting the *Aedes* messaging for the Advertising Campaign for next season.

5. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF ROOFING CONTRACTORS TO REPAIR BUILDINGS IN WOODLAND AND ELK GROVE

Manager Goodman presented the item and discussed the proposals. On a motion by Trustee Burnett seconded by Trustee McGarvey, the Board voted to authorize staff to contract with Top Rank Heating and Air Conditioning to repair the roofs not to exceed \$50,000. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2

6. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF TRAILER PURCHASE TO HOUSE THE DISTRICT'S LIBRARY

Manager Goodman presented the item and discussed the plan for the Library. On a motion by Trustee DeAnda seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board voted to authorize staff to purchase a trailer not to exceed \$40,000. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2

7. BOARD/STAFF REPORTS AND REQUESTS

The Annual Trustee/Employee Holiday Gathering will take place after the December Board meeting

Trustees that need MVCAC and AMCA conference travel, lodging and registration should contact staff for arrangements

Requests for cabinetry and other necessary items for the Lab remodel will be brought to the Board next month

The District will be hosting a WALs Summit on February 25th

District medical rates have been received and Open Enrollment begins in December

Manager Goodman has been asked to attend and speak at the conferences in Montana in January and Wyoming in February

The District is working on holding a Continuing Education event in January

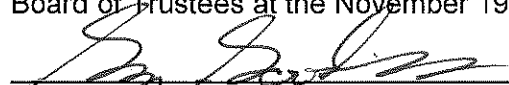
The March 2019 Board meeting may need to get moved or canceled due to conflicting with the AMCA conference.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 am.


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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 November 19, 2019 meeting.

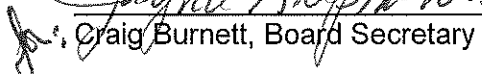


Gary Goodman, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the December 17, 2019 meeting.



Jayna Kupinski-Costa, Vice-Chair



Craig Burnett, Board Secretary