

RCD BOARD MEETING

MINUTES OF

AUGUST 9, 2022

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: President Harry Lyons called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

Directors present: Jim Bridges, Randy Krag, Harry Lyons, Shula Shoup, Merry Jo Velasquez

Directors Absent: None

Others Present: Tracy Cline, Alma de Paredes, Greg Dills, Will Evans, Laurie Hutchison, Kristina Linder, Davis Palmer.

1. **INTRODUCTION** –Will Evans and Kristina Linder from CLERC.
2. **PUBLIC INPUT**– No public input.
3. **SAFETY MEETING** – President Harry Lyons distributed a SAFETY TALK flyer from SDRMA discussing Safe Lifting Tips with illustrations. He will introduce a new safety tip at the next Board Meeting.

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR: ACTION – APPROVE MINUTES OF 7/12/22; ACCEPT MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT; APPROVE AND PAY BILLS.** (Any item can be pulled if requested by President or public.)- Motion put forward to approve. Velasquez moved, and Krag seconded.

Ayes: Lyons, Krag, Bridges, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

5. **DISCUSSION**

5.1 **COMMITTEE STRUCTURE, QUORUM, HONORING RETIREES –**

Discussion ensued regarding the makeup and timing of subcommittees (Finance, Grant, etc.). Committee meetings may be held after the Board Meeting or when something needs to be discussed. Jim Bridges is appointed to the Finance Committee. Merry Jo Velasquez and Shula Shoup appointed to the Grants Committee. Harry Lyons and Randy Krag are appointed to the Personnel Committee.

Discussion held regarding Publicity and Politics. CARCD Association may enlist LCRCO to assist them in lobbying California legislators in promoting favorable legislation. But under the State Resourcing Code, personnel may not use RCD letterhead or otherwise mention RCD in these efforts.

Discussion regarding LCRCO and updating its Event Facebook presence to allow the public to become aware of the various activities its sponsors. Merry Jo Velasquez to take ownership of the Event Facebook page.

Discussion then turned to the honoring of Linda Juntunen with a plaque. Linda has volunteered and worked with the LCRCO since 1999. Harry Lyons and Jim Bridges will take responsibility for the plaque and donations. Need to compile the districts/organizations she was a part of.

5.2 **DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE CONTRACT WITH CLERC FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

After posting on the LCRCO website and soliciting referrals from CARCD, there was no success in identifying a viable replacement for the current project manager.

CLERC is being considered as a third party to contract out the project manager responsibilities. Lengthy discussions were then held with the Board and Will Evans regarding CLERC and various strategies going forward to work together for both organization's mutual benefit especially in the area of Grants. Also noted were the difference and similarities between the two organizations and where synergies can be found.

CLERC to submit a Scope of Work document to the Board.

5.3 DISCUSSION ON STRATEGY FOR ENLISTING NEW DIRECTORS & CONFLICT OF INTEREST REPORTING –

Board Members alerted to conflict-of-interest forms that will come from the County of Lake.

LCRCO has the need for two new directors (At Large Director and First District Middletown).

Harry Lyons will solicit referrals from the Lake County Board of Supervisors next time it meets.

6. ONGOING PROJECTS – Roll Call on Annual Projects and Board Hosts

Meisenbach Scholarship – Harry Lyons

Invasive Weed Tour – To be reconsidered.

Field Days in the Creek – Davis Palmer

Kids in the Creek – Merry Jo Velasquez

Trout in the Classroom – Tony Blyleven

7. REPORTS/UPDATE

7.1 LAKE COUNTRY FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORT – LAURIE HUTCHISON

Submitted her July 2022 report. Attended a grant workshop and will be receiving more information which she will forward. She is meeting with Fire Safe workshop people. Also confirmed hosting a booth at the fair. The fair organizers are requesting proof of insurance for her and all volunteers.

7.2 NRCS REPORT – KORINN WOODARD – No report.

7.3 GOATSRUE PROJECT – GREG DILLS – Weather forecasts indicate a low rain year which may impact the project.

7.4 CALLTRANS REVEGETATION PROJECT – GREG DILLS – No changes.

7.5 CIVIC SPARK FELLOW REPORT – KRISTINA LINDER – Confirmed that this is her last report. If anyone needs anything from her, she will be available for the next few days. Announced a going-away-open house for this Friday and the Carnegie Library with tacos from Carmelito's. Event starts at 5:00 pm with Music in the Park starting at 6:30 pm.

7.6 LAKE COUNTRY LAND TRUST WRIGHT PROJECT –Report has not been received but project will go forward pending grant decision. Final version of preliminary grant application has been delivered to board online.

7.7 PRESIDENT/DIRECTOR REPORTS -

- Harry Lyons – Submitted his early August Report online.
- Merry Jo Velasquez – Status of Middletown Creek Project – Some encouraging progress being made.
- Randy Krag – Nothing to report.
- Shula Shoup – Nothing to report.

- Jim Bridges – Nothing to report.

8. NEW BUSINESS –

8.1 BUDGET HEARING, THEN ACTION – VOTE ON PROPOSED APPROVAL OF FY22-23

BUDGET – Motion to approve 2022-2023 Budget. Bridges moved, and Krag seconded.

Ayes: Lyons, Krag, Bridges, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

8.2 ACTION – VOTE ON PROPOSED REQUEST FOR DRAFT CONTRACT FROM CLERC -

No vote needed as CLERC will submit a Scope of Work document not a contract.

8.3 ACTION – VOTE ON INSTALLATION OF DAVIS PALMER AS ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

Motion to install Davis Palmer as Associate Director. Velasquez moved, and Shoup seconded.

Ayes: Lyons, Krag, Bridges, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

8.4 ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO MERRY JO VELASQUEZ – Merry Jo Velasquez

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8.5 REQUEST DIRECTOR PARTICIPATION IN WEED MANAGEMENT AREA – Randy

Krag has replaced Victoria Brandon as RCD representative on the Weed Management Area organization. The associated Weed Tour will be reconsidered, given poor attendance in COVID years.

9. GENERAL DISCUSSION – NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY BOARD – None.

10. ADJOURN – Motion to adjourn. Velasquez moved, and Krag seconded.

Ayes: Lyons, Krag, Bridges, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None