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**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE RCD BOARD OF DIRECTORS DRAFT COPY**

**Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at 1:00 pm**

**RCDGSDC Offices: 11769 Waterhill Road, Lakeside, CA 92040**

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Don Butz, Marilyn Huntamer, Jim Thompson, Cody Petterson  
**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** Jordan Gascon  
**VACANCIES:** Two  
**ASSOC. DIRECTORS PRESENT:** None  
**ASSOC. DIRECTORS ABSENT:** Jo MacKenzie, DK Nasland,  
**OTHERS PRESENT:** Sheryl Landrum, Chris Foran, and Heather Marlow from RCD; Raul Alvarado from NRCS, Neil Meyer

**1. CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM, INTRODUCTIONS**

The Board meeting was called to order at 1:02 pm. Landrum introduced Neil Meyer, an Escondido avocado and lemon farmer, who has expressed interest in possibly joining the RCD Board.

**2. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (GOV. CODE 54954.2 (B))**

**Motion/Second (Huntamer/Petterson) to accept agenda as is. Passed Unanimously: Butz, Huntamer, Thompson, and Petterson. Absent: Gascon.**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Public may comment on agenda items when they are discussed. Speakers are asked to limit comments to three minutes (Gov. Code 54954.3(a)).

**There were no members of the public requesting to speak.**

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 4-1 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of December 3, 2019.
- 4-2 Note and file monthly Treasurer’s Reports for November and December 2019.
- 4-3 Approve monthly expenses for January 2020.

**Motion/Second (Thompson/Huntamer) to approve Consent Calendar. Passed Unanimously: Butz, Huntamer, Thompson, and Petterson. Absent: Gascon.**

**5. STAFF AND OTHER REPORTS**

- 5-1 Executive Director – Sheryl Landrum (report attached).
- 5-2 Grant Status Spreadsheets (attached).

**6. OTHER AGENCY, DIRECTOR, ASSOC DIRECTOR, COMMITTEE, AND ASSOCIATION REPORTS**

- 6-1 **CARCD Report:** Butz updated Board on recent CARCD activity including an upcoming DEI (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) workshop and a strategic planning meeting in two weeks.
- 6-2 **Director/Assoc. Director and Other Activity Reports:** Board members gave updates on their recent activities.  
Petterson: Discussed recent meetings of the San Diego River Conservancy and San Diego Sierra Club, where the topic of land acquisition for mitigation, land banking, conservancies, etc. was discussed. This prompted a discussion about future RCD opportunities in this area.
- 6-3 **NRCS Report:** Raul Alvarado updated board on NRCS activities, including an upcoming

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mailing outlining the details of a state-level MOA between NRCS, CARCD and individual RCDs. Also mentioned that the new RCPP will release in March or April of 2020, and suggested carbon farming and/or healthy soils might be a good fit.

**7. BOARD ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**7-1 Executive Director's 2020 Objectives:** Discuss/approve the goals and objectives set by the Executive Director.

**Discussion:** Landrum presented her 2020 priorities. Through board discussion, priorities were fine-tuned and finalized into five goals. Next step for Landrum is to create a 12 to 18 month list of action items to move toward those goals.

**7-2 Strategic Planning:** Discuss/approve hiring Solid Ground Consulting to guide our Strategic Plan.

**Motion/Second (Thompson/Huntamer) to approve hiring Solid Ground Consulting to guide our strategic planning process, with costs not to exceed \$10,000. Passed Unanimously: Butz, Huntamer, Thompson, and Petterson. Absent: Gascon.**

**7-3 Update on Wild Willow Farm:** Discuss/approve next steps with Wild Willow Farm.

**Discussion:** Landrum met with County about issues with property/lease, including water, electrical, structural, and ADA compliance. County agreed to fix structural issues, but the others are still under negotiation.

**8. CLOSED SESSION**

**8-1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EVALUATION – Government Code Section 54957**

Title: Executive Director.

Direction given, no action taken.

*The above matters described on the agenda may be held in closed session in a conference with counsel under the provisions of Government Code Section stated above. If closed sessions are held, a report of actions subject to disclosure will be made by the District's Counsel upon return to open session respectively.*

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

**10. ADJOURNMENT & AGENDA SETTING**

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2020 at 1:00 pm. Location tbd.

Respectfully submitted,



Sheryl Landrum