

MINUTES
Meeting of the
GOLD RIDGE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
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Thursday, November 15, 2012

Location: Gold Ridge RCD Office
2776 Sullivan Rd
Sebastopol, CA 95472

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 pm

II. Open Meeting (Introductions) The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

III. Call to Order (Roll Call of Directors)

Directors Present: Joe Dutton, Ann Cassidy, Don Petersen, Richard Hughes

Associate Directors Present: Al Gerhardt, Jill Butler

Staff Present: Michele Rocha, John Green, Sierra Cantor, Joe Pozzi

Others Present: Torrey Olson from Gabriel Farms, Brooke Cole from NRCS, Rick Williams from the Bodega Water Co.,

IV. Public Comment –There was no public comment.

V. Informational Items

- a. Correspondence and Notices: The board ethics training offered by Meyers and Nave was presented. The board is interested in pursuing online training; Michele will follow up.
- b. Bodega Water Company presentation of MOU with GRRCD- John Green and Rick Williams presented the draft MOU between GRRCD and the Bodega Water Company. The board reviewed and discussed. The final draft of the MOU should be ready for the December board meeting.
- c. Letter of recommendation for Doug Gore-This item was tabled until the December meeting.
- d. RR Symposium Review-Ann Cassidy gave a report on her experience at the Symposium. It was a success in terms of participant feedback and participation, with over 300 people attending.
- e. Review of draft NBCAI document, "What you can do to keep our forests healthy and reduce the risk of wildfire in a changing climate"-Sierra Cantor presented the document and the board gave feedback, wanting more information about tree planting and what to do with oaks, which could be important for the transition from redwood to chaparral environments.
- f. Holiday party/Dec board meeting date-The December board meeting and holiday party will be on Wednesday, 12/12, beginning at 5:00 pm with the board meeting. We also discussed the office closure from 12/24/12 through 1/1/13. We will be reopening for business on 1/2/13. The staff will have the option to work during that time, take it as unpaid leave, or use PTO hours.

VI. Consent Calendar (October 16, 2012 Minutes and the Grant Status/Staff Report)
Motion to approve the consent calendar.

1st Ann Cassidy/2nd Richard Hughes. Motion carried.

VII. Action Items

- a. NRCS report. Brooke Cole reported on NRCS activities, noting that they've hired a new civil engineering tech and that she appreciated the RR Symposium and our efforts there.

Motion to approve the NRCS report.

1st Joe Dutton/2nd Ann Cassidy. Motion carried.

- b. Approval of Financial Report/Warrant Requests

Motion to approve the financial reports and warrant requests.

1st Ann Cassidy/2nd Richard Hughes. Motion carried.

- c. Approval of Torrey Olson as Associate Director. The board received the letter of intent from Torrey and reviewed his résumé in discussion for his addition to the board as an associate director.

Motion to approve Torrey Olson as an Associate Director.

1st Joe Dutton/2nd Ann Cassidy. Motion carried.

- d. Election of GRRCD Board Officers 2013

a. President: Joe Dutton

b. Vice-President: Richard Hughes

c. Treasurer: Don Petersen

d. Secretary: Ann Cassidy

Motion to approve the slate of officers as listed, taking effect on 1/1/13.

1st Richard Hughes/2nd Ann Cassidy. Motion carried.

VIII. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.