

Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District

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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes May 2023 Atascadero, CA

- I. Call to Order, 4:03pm by Mary Bianchi.
Attendance
Board Directors: In Person- Mary Bianchi, Treasurer; Tom Mora, Director; Randy Heinzen, Director
Staff: Devin Best, Executive Director; Hailey Leurck, Restoration Technician; Rachel Rahtz
Public: In Person- Dylan Wilder, USFW
- II. Additions/Changes to the Agenda (Gov. Code 54954.2(B)): None
- III. Public Comment: None
- IV. RCD Reports
 - a. Board Updates: None
 - b. Executive Director Report: DB reviewed report distributed prior to meeting.
 - c. RCD Intern- Rachel Rhatz: Rachel is a senior at Cal Poly and will be with the RCD until September. She is studying Environmental Science and Management and works at the Cal Poly Horticulture Unit. She will be assisting with fieldwork, outreach, and other tasks.
 - d. Regional RCD Meeting Board member and alternative: Directors asked for date of Fall meeting. Once the board has more directors, it will be easier to designate a person. Keep item on agenda under RCD reports.
 - e. Leadership and Team Building opportunities between Board of Directors and Executive Director: RH would like the board to offer more assistance to the executive director and staff in addition to the monthly board meetings via phone check-ins, in person field visits, etc. This will help create a stronger relationship between the board and staff members. DB mentions a possible “farm feist” in the coming year.
- V. Consent:
 - a. Approval of regular meeting minutes (distributed prior to meeting)
 - b. Approval of treasurer’s reports (distributed prior to meeting): Discussion on charitable donations. Accounts receivable are high due to organizations not paying on time. Discussion ensues.
 - i. MB motion to approve, RH moves, TH seconds. Motion carries.
- VI. Other Agency, Director, and Association Reports
 - a. NRCS Report- Hilary Phillips: No report.
 - b. USFW: Dylan Wilder – Dylan presented PowerPoint to board members and staff about USFW Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program. Dylan will be the new point of contact for this program.
 - c. WRAC: Future and current conditions of Lopez Lake were discussed. No WRAC meeting in July or August.
 - d. ALAB: No report.
- VII. Board Action Items
 - a. Approval for FY 23/24 Budget: RH suggests that staff salaries be broken into in-house and out-of-house staff on future budget sheets. RH asks for clarification on computer/website allotment. RH yes, TH yes, MB yes. Motion carries.



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- VIII. Agenda Setting
 - a. Next board meeting set for August 24th 4-6 pm. No meeting in July.
 - b. Presentation from Adriana Stagnaro
 - c. Leadership and team building opportunities between Board of Directors and Executive Director.
 - d. Regional RCD Meeting Board member and alternative

- IX. Closed Session
 - a. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Gov. Code § 54956.9): White v. Upper Salinas-Las Tables Resource Conservation District, 23CVP-0171

- X. Adjournment of regular meeting: 5:32pm. Next meeting is August 24, 2023, at 4pm.