



The mission of the Sonoma RCD is to help agricultural and rural landowners protect, conserve, and restore natural resources through information, education, and technical assistance programs.

**Minutes of the Board Meeting
February 23, 2017**

1221 Farmers Lane, Santa Rosa, CA 95405
North Wing Conference Room, Suite 400
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1. **Call to order, Determination of a Quorum, Introductions:** Board Chair Walt Ryan called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.
Directors Present: Walt Ryan, Vickie Mulas, Dennis Murphy, Bruce Abelli-Amen, Ron Rolleri (in at 9:04)
Directors Absent: None
Associate Directors present: Earle Cummings, John Nagle
Associate Directors absent: Delmar Friedrichsen
Staff present: Kara Heckert, Valerie Minton, Sally Westgate (consultant), Anya Starovoytov, Justin Bodell, Erica Mikesch
Others present: None
2. **Additions/Changes to the Agenda:** None.
3. **Consent Calendar:** Motion to approve consent calendar. M: Murphy, 2nd: Mulas. Motion passed, 5 ayes.
4. **Public Comment:** None.
5. **Approval of 2015-16 Audit:** Motion to approve Audit with typographical corrections. M: Murphy, 2nd: Mulas. Motion passed, 5 ayes.
6. **Approval of revisions to FY 16/17 budget:** Motion to approve revisions. M: Mulas, 2nd: Rolleri. Motion passed, 5 ayes.
7. **Approval of Resolution No. 1617005 for LandSmart® On-the-Ground: Implementation of Management Practices on Sonoma Creek Vineyards Grant Agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board:** Motion to adopt resolution, with typographical correction. M: Mulas, 2nd: Rolleri. Motion passed, 5 ayes.
8. **Review of Board Officer Descriptions and Officer Nominations:** Motion to retain Walt Ryan as Chair. M: Mulas, 2nd: Murphy. Motion passed, 5 ayes. Motion to retain Vickie Mulas as Vice Chair. M: Murphy, 2nd: Rolleri. Motion passed, 5 ayes.
9. **Strategic Plan Process Overview-Informational Only:** No action.

10. Executive Committee: 2/7 Meeting Notes: No action was taken.

11. Associate Director Appointments: Re-appoint Delmar Friedrichsen; appoint Jennifer Kuszmar, Hector Bedolla Resignation: Motion to appoint Jennifer Kuszmar and accept Hector Bedolla's resignation. M: Murphy, 2nd: Mulas. Motion passed, 5 ayes. Re-appointment of Delmar Friedrichsen held until next meeting. Board Development Committee to bring recommendation for honorary or emeritus position.

12. Discuss Upcoming Events and Possible Director Participation: No action.

13. GSA updates and discussion: Motion to remain engaged in the formation of GSAs in all three basins (Petaluma, Santa Rosa Plain, Sonoma). M: Murphy, 2nd: Abelli-Amen. Motion passed, 4 ayes, Director Mulas abstaining.

14. Meeting was adjourned at 12:01 pm.