



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
December 22, 2016**

1221 Farmers Lane, Santa Rosa, CA 95405
North Wing Conference Room, Suite 400
707.569.1448

Welcome/Introductions: Board Chair Walt Ryan called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Directors Present: Walt Ryan, Vickie Mulas, Ron Rolleri, Dennis Murphy

Directors Absent: Bruce Abelli-Amen

Associate Directors present: Earle Cummings

Associate Directors absent: Delmar Friedrichsen, Hector Bedolla

Staff present: Kara Heckert, Valerie Minton, Sally Westgate, Kari Wester, Keith Abeles, Becky Tillman, Kevin Cullinen, Anya Starovoytov, Jeff Schreiber

Others present: John Nagle, Jennifer Kuszmar, Maggie Sepulveda (NRCS)

Additions/Changes to the Agenda: None.

Consent Calendar: Motion to approve consent calendar. M: Mulas, 2nd: Murphy. Motion passed, 4 ayes.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Conflict of Interest Resolution: Staff provided corrected language for the resolution.

Motion to adopt resolution No. 1617001 as amended. M: Murphy, 2nd: Rolleri. Motion passed by roll call – Ryan, Aye; Mulas, Aye; Murphy, Aye; Rolleri, Aye.

11/2 Executive Committee Meeting Notes: No action was taken.

Appointment of John Nagle as Associate Director: M: Murphy, 2nd, Mulas. Motion passed, 4 ayes.

Groundwater Committee Updates: No Action was taken. Chair Ryan noted that the committee constitutes a quorum of the Board, and therefore decisions made by the committee are binding.

Acceptance of Bi-monthly Staff Report & Annual Workplan Update: No action was taken.

Approval of CEQA coverage with LandSmart Mitigated Negative Declaration for Sonoma Creek Vineyard Implementation Projects: Motion to approve coverage. M: Rolleri, 2nd: Murphy. Motion passed, 4 ayes.

NRCS Update: No action was taken.

Discuss Upcoming Events and Possible Director Participation: No action was taken.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:26 am.