



Board Meeting Minutes

February 23, 2023

Remote Meeting via Zoom

1. **Call to Order, Determination of a Quorum, Introductions:** Chair Nagle determined the quorum and called the meeting to order at 10:48am.
Directors Present: John Nagle, Bruce Abelli-Amen, Ariana Reguzzoni, Vickie Mulas, Ron Rolleri, Beth Bruzzone, and Isaac Jenkins.
Associate Directors Present: Denny Murphy, Chris Peterson, Steven Worrell, Fred Euphrat, and John Gorman.
Staff Present: Aaron Fairbrook, Christine Kuehn, and Kari Johnson.
1. **Additions/Changes to the Agenda** (Gov. Code 54954.2 (B)): Chair Nagle moved to add Resolution No. 2223-015, referencing AB 361, in order to proceed with the fully remote meeting. Motion passed, 7 ayes. Chair Nagle moved to add action item 5C to discuss RCD representation in the Two-Basin Solution Partnership of the Potter Valley Project. Motion passed, 7 ayes.
2. **Consent Calendar:** Approval of February Board Meeting Agenda and January Board Meeting Minutes. Motion to approve: Mulas, 2nd: Reguzzoni. Motion passed, 6 ayes.
Aye: Bruzzone, Jenkins, Mulas, Nagle, Reguzzoni, and Rolleri.
Abstain: Abelli-Amen.
3. **Public Comment:** None.
4. **Information Items**
 - A. **NRCS Report:** None.
 - B. **Quarterly Staff Report:** Aaron Fairbrook presented a slideshow to depict recent RCD projects, including rainwater catchment, LandSmart grazing, and vegetation management. The Board asked questions regarding evaluation and monitoring of vegetation removal projects and Aaron provided response.
5. **Action Items**
 - A. **Approval of JEDI Statement:** Christine Kuehn presented this item, providing background and intention of the statement, how it has evolved, and recommendations for how and where to use it. The Board discussed, asked questions, and requested to revisit the item at a later date. Motion to approve: Abelli-Amen, 2nd: Reguzzoni. Motion failed, 3 ayes.
Aye: Abelli-Amen, Nagle, and Reguzzoni.
Nay: Bruzzone, Jenkins, and Mulas.
Abstain: Rolleri.

- B. Board Committee Membership—Review and Update as Needed:** Aaron Fairbrook presented this item and the Board predominantly discussed shifting representation on GSA Boards. The Board took the action of requesting RCD staff relay updated assignments to GSA administrators.
- C. Approval of Two-Basin Solution Partnership Representation:** The Board discussed this item as an opportunity for Chair Nagle to represent Sonoma RCD in the Two-Basin Solution Partnership, to assist in creating agreements around governance related to the Potter Valley Project and voluntary water-sharing program. Motion to approve: Rolleri, 2nd: Mulas. Motion passed, 6 ayes.

Aye: Bruzzone, Jenkins, Mulas, Nagle, Reguzzoni, and Rolleri.

Nay: Abelli-Amen.

6. Update Items

- A. Board Development Committee – *no meeting was held***
- B. Executive Committee – *no meeting was held***
- C. Technology Committee – *no meeting was held***
- D. Director Updates:** Rolleri provided an update about the Gualala River Watershed Council.
- E. Executive Director & Other Staff Updates:** Aaron Fairbrook provided an update about the RCD's ongoing classification & compensation study as well as a reminder about the Board's impending transition to hybrid meetings in March.

7. Future Agenda Items: Revisiting the RCD's JEDI statement.

8. Closed Session: Public Employee Appointment (§ 54957) Title: Executive Director – 12:30pm: The Board went into closed session at 12:56pm. The Board took action to extend a formal offer of employment to the Executive Director candidate.

9. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:03pm.