



Board Meeting Minutes

March 23, 2023

Hybrid Meeting; in-person at
1221 Farmers Lane, Suite F, Santa Rosa, CA 95405
and via Zoom

- 1. Call to Order, Determination of a Quorum, Introductions:** Chair Nagle determined the quorum and called the meeting to order at 10:50am.

Directors Present: Bruce Abelli-Amen, Beth Bruzzone, Isaac Jenkins, John Nagle, Ariana Reguzzoni, and Ron Rolleri.

Director Absent: Vickie Mulas.

Associate & Emeritus Directors Present: Earle Cummings, Fred Euphrat, John Gorman, Denny Murphy, Chris Peterson, and Steven Worrell.

Staff Present: Aaron Fairbrook, Kari Johnson, Christine Kuehn, Karen Lopez, Adrienne Pettit, Jessica Pollitz, and Erin Rickard.

Others Present: Lindsay Christopher (Koff & Associates), Chase Garcia (NRCS), and Georg Krammer (Koff & Associates).

- 2. Additions/Changes to the Agenda** (Gov. Code 54954.2 (B)): None.
- 3. Consent Calendar:** Approval of March Board Meeting Agenda and February Board Meeting Minutes. Motion to approve: Abelli-Amen, 2nd: Bruzzone. Motion passed, 6 ayes.

Ayes: Abelli-Amen, Bruzzone, Jenkins, Nagle, Reguzzoni, and Rolleri.

Noes: None.

- 4. Public Comment:** None.

- 5. Information Items**

- A. NRCS Report:** Chase Garcia presented this item, highlighting funding for numerous EQIP and CSP contracts. The Board asked a question about the Inflation Reduction Act funding and Chase provided response.

- B. Classification & Compensation Study Presentation:** Georg Krammer presented this item on behalf of Koff & Associates. There was a question from the Board about timeline and Georg relayed that the study is not yet in the compensation section and additional findings should be brought back to the Board prior to anticipated completion in June 2023.

- C. JEDI Committee Presentation & Update:** Jessica Pollitz presented this item to provide additional background for and intention of adopting an organizational JEDI statement. The

Board asked questions and discussed. Jessica asked what the Board would need to feel comfortable with adopting a statement and feedback was given.

D. Policy Review: Legislative Advocacy Policy: Chair Nagle led discussion of this item. The Sonoma RCD Legislative Advocacy Policy was exhibited as providing good guidelines for decision-making amongst the Board.

6. Action Items: None.

7. Update Items

A. Executive Committee: *no meeting was held*

B. Director Updates: John Nagle provided an update regarding his participation in the Russian River Water Forum; what role Sonoma RCD is poised to play is to be determined. Bruce Abelli-Amen recommends putting together an ad hoc committee to bring Board and staff along in progression in figuring out the RCD's role. Beth Bruzzone provided an update regarding the Sonoma County Local Coastal Plan.

C. Executive Director & Other Staff Updates: None.

8. Future Agenda Items: To schedule a new timeframe for future Sonoma RCD Board meetings.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:24pm.