

Monday, January 9, 2023; 6:00-6:45 PM
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

In Attendance

Board Members Present: Nate Johnson, Jerry Paul, Kerry Hastings, Marcella Henkels, David Barron

Board Members Absent: Eliza Mason, No Director for Zone 4

Associate Directors Present: Aubrey Cloud

Staff Present: Holly Crosson, Teresa Matteson, Sara Roberts (minutes)

Staff Absent: Michael Ahr, Candace Mackey, Donna Schmitz

Others Present: Amy Kaiser (NRCS)

Call to Order - Jerry Paul (6:01 pm)

Introductions, Public Comments, Announcements, Additions/Changes to Agenda

Additions to agenda (added by Holly):

- Henry would like to be appointed Director Emeritus
 - Jerry Paul states Bob Morris would also like to be Director Emeritus
- In-person or Zoom meeting for February Board meeting?

OATHS OF OFFICE

- For Nate Johnson, Kerry Hastings, Marcella Henkels, David Barron
- Jerry Paul administered Oaths of Office
- All sworn in successfully. Welcome new Directors!

CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approve draft Minutes from December 12th Board Meeting:** Discussion: none
- **Approve Financials (11/30/22)** Discussion: none
- **Adopt Resolution FY2022-2023-05; Add \$500.00 donation from C. Doreene Carpenter to the Budget for CCP - Conservation Education (in packet)** Discussion: none

MOTION: Approve Consent Agenda: Kerry Second: Jerry

Results: Unanimously passes

REGULAR AGENDA

- Appoint Officers (Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary)
 - Discussion: Current officers stated they were happy to continue in their current roles and invited new Directors to consider taking a Vice Chair position. Marcella expressed interest in Vice Chair position but would like to see the position description first. Holly will update the position description and Sara will post it to the Board pages on the website. A vote on appointment of Vice Chair will take place at the February meeting.
 - Motion: Jerry Second: David
 - Results: Unanimously passes. All will remain in their current roles. (Nate – Chair, Kerry – Secretary, Jerry – Treasurer)
- Appoint Henry Storch as Director Emeritus
 - Motion: Nate Second: Kerry
 - Results: Unanimously passes

All documents referenced in these minutes are a part of the official record and can be distributed upon request.

- Sidebar: Henry Storch provided some great info about American Foul Brood and bee treatment!
- Questions from Board about BSWCD staff activities and NRCS staff report
 - Jerry asks: How did landlord respond to getting sign on the building? Holly responded that the landlord has not yet responded about this. Holly has sent her a follow-up reminder.
 - Nate asks: he noticed a recipient on a check named Mater Investment Company – who is that? Holly responds Mater Investments is the landlord and check was for monthly office rent.
 - Nate asks: What are the options being considered for the ODA investment money? Holly responds: Teresa and Donna using some of the funds for SIA equipment and travel; considered purchasing upgraded financial software but after discussion with other SWCDs it doesn't make sense to switch; purchased the Owl virtual meeting system; providing an Honorarium for the annual meeting Keynote; will pay for annual meeting space and catering; promotional items i.e. business cards, name tags, logo wear, etc.
 - Kerry asks: are there any outstanding needs for the upcoming native plant sale? Holly responds: see Sara's report for current numbers; Deb as contractor is coordinating; working on details, may need more volunteers. Michael will provide more info ASAP.
 - Nate: noted Teresa's report about water quality monitoring and asked how that was going. Teresa and Aubrey shared that they were moving forward on a positive trajectory. Equipment is holding up well and new sensors are a big improvement. Kudos to Teresa for troubleshooting!
 - Holly asks: Did everyone get their annual report? Reminder to register for the annual meeting.
 - Nate: Reminder to Board members to respond to Candace's email about proposed ODA training dates/times.
 - Marcella asks: Where are the Board Director job descriptions? Sara responds: Not sure if they are on website, but she will send those out and ensure they're on website ASAP. Sara and Holly will also ensure that Board updated materials are up on the website as well.
 - Amy reports that they are mainly working on landowner field visits and oak restoration.
- February Board meeting – Zoom or in person?
 - Discussion: New regulations require that all public meetings must be offered virtually, so if we return to in-person, we must also provide the Zoom option. In the past everyone was able to attend in person regularly, a quorum was easy to achieve, and it provided some important social time to get to know each other. Nate suggested that we wait until after the respiratory illness season was over. Kerry suggested that we aim to meet in person once per quarter and the rest via Zoom. The Annual Meeting will serve as the in person meeting this quarter. Nate suggests having the next in person meeting in the Spring somewhere nice and outdoors.
 - Nate moves that we have the February meeting via Zoom. Kerry seconds. Passes unanimously.
- Agenda items for next month
 - Bob Morris appointment as Emeritus
 - Appoint Vice Chair
 - Discuss details for Spring in person Board meeting

Meeting Adjourned - Nate (6:45)