



MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

April 18, 2017

Directors Present: Lisa Bauer, Mike Webster, Dave Koball Peter Braudrick

Directors Absent: Craig Blencowe; Lisa Bauer

Associate Directors Present: None

Associate Directors Absent: Geri Hulse-Stephens

Staff Present: Patricia Hickey, Linda MacElwee, Joe Scriven, Chris Bartow, Mary Mayeda, Patty Madigan

NRCS Staff Present: None

Others Present: Cathy Monroe, George Britton

I.	CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM, INTRODUCTIONS
II.	ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (GOV. CODE 54954.2 (B))
III.	PUBLIC COMMENT Public may comment on agenda items when they are discussed. Speakers are asked to limit comments to three minutes (Gov. Code 54954.3(a)).
IV.	CONSENT CALENDAR 4-1 March 21, 2017 Minutes Peter Braudrick motion to approve, Mike Webster seconded. Peter Braudrick, Dave Koball and Mike Webster voted in favor, 0 nays.
V.	ACTION ITEMS
	5-1 Board Approval of Financial Statements and Warrant Request Mike Webster motion to approve the Financial Statements and Warrant Request, Peter Braudrick seconded. Mike Webster, Peter Braudrick and Dave Koball voted in favor, 0 nays.
	5-2 Board Approval to Appoint Cathy Monroe as an Associate Director of the MCRCD Board. Mike Webster motion to appoint Cathy Monroe as an Associate Director of the MCRCD Board, Peter Braudrick seconded. Mike Webster, Peter Braudrick and Dave Koball voted in favor, 0 nays.
	5-3 Board Discussion on Assuming Control of the Mendocino County Fire Safe Council and its 501(c)(3) Status George Britton and Mary Mayeda discussed the new Council structure and the extent to which it would benefit having the RCD assume responsibility for the organization. For example, the Council structure is no longer dominant by a board of directors. The Council has become a multi-agency information and resource sharing body. Having an independent board of directors consumes too many resources. If the RCD assumed responsibility, it would become just another grant funded program to manage. The Council would function like a Technical Advisory Committee. The RCD's involvement has already elevated our stature with other resource agencies (BLM, USFS, CAL FIRE). George Britton would agree to become a MCRCD Associate Board Member. There are still concerns about maintaining the 501(C)3 status and other liabilities.

VI.	INFORMATIONAL ITEMS
	<p>6-1 Fire Safe Council Update— Patricia Hickey 6-2 CARCD Update—Peter Braudrick 6-3 NRCS Report – Carol Mandel 6-4 Oak Woodland Conservation Coalition Update—Patricia 6-5 Willits By-pass Update—Chris Bartow 6-6 Grant Status/Staff Reports</p>
VII	ADJOURNMENT AND AGENDA SETTING
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Board Chair

Date