

What: South Central WA. RC & D Board Meeting
When: **November 5, 10:00 a.m.**
Where: USDA Service Center
1606 Perry St.
Yakima, WA. 98902
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Chair: Louis Musso
Vice-Chair: Dick Story
Secretary/Treasurer: Mike Richardson
Administrative Assistant: Holli Wellner



MINUTES – 11/05/09

Board Members/Alternates Present: Louis Musso, Mike Richardson, Barb Smith Gilbert, Rebecca Wassell, Chris Klebaum, Jason McCormick, Justin Bader, Glen Rose, Max Linden

Staff Present: Holli Wellner, Carol Ready

Board Members/Staff Absent: Glenn Miller, Kevin Bouchey, Frank Sweet, Betsy Bloomfield, David Gerth, Frank Hendrix, Nicole Berg-Tobin, Luz Bazan Gutierrez, Dick Story, Anna Lael, Mike Tobin, Don Gatchalian, Phil Rigdon, L.J. DaCorsi, Tim Tilley, Fennelle Miller, Heather Simmons-Rigdon, Dave Myra

Others Present: Reese Lolly

Meeting called to order at: 10:05 a.m. by: Louis Musso

Item	Who	Info. Dist.	Outcome
1) Introductions	Louis Musso	N	See above. Louis talked about the need to reduce quorum or drop off members after they miss a set amount of meetings.
2) Minutes	Mike Richardson	Y	No objections. No quorum to vote.
3) Budget Report	Holli Wellner	Y	No objections. No quorum to vote.

4) New Sponsors / Members	Louis Musso	N	No quorum. Advisory vote motion made by Mike Richardson to accept Cowiche Canyon Conservancy as a new sponsor (Barb Smith Gilbert-Board Member), seconded by Chris Klebaum. No Objections.
5) Mileage Policy	Louis Musso	Y	Discussion & review of Heathers report that was passed out. Hope to vote on a policy at the Annual Meeting.
6) Annual Meeting / Elections	Louis Musso	N	The annual meeting is on January 7 th at the Howard Johnson from 10am-1pm. Our new State Conservationist will also be attending & being the guest speaker. Decision made to cover meals for all attendees made by a 2 out of 3 Executive Members vote (unless overruled by RC&D Council before the meeting). Louis stated he would not like to run for Chair position again for 2010 due to time restraints for the upcoming year. Nomination Committee will be Louis Musso, Becca Wassell, & Barb Smith Gilbert.
7) Diversity Policy	Louis Musso	Y	Reviewed Diversity Policy. No quorum. Advisory vote motioned by Mike Richardson, seconded by Chris Klebaum. No Objections.
8) Circle of Diamonds	Louis Musso	N	South Central Washington RC&D is now a member of the National RC&D Circle of Diamonds Program.
9) Tapash Projects Update	Reese Lolley – TNC	N	Reese Lolly did a presentation of the Tieton/Oak Creek Project & the Tapash Collaborative Coordinator Project. They have hired on Patty Bean as the Tapash Collaborative Coordinator. He gave a brief report on her history & experience. Reese passed around a map that showed the area of the \$12k Tieton/Oak Creek Project.
10) YTAHP	Justin Bader – NYCD	N	Justin did a presentation on YTAHP NYCD projects. He showed before/after pictures of different projects like Cowiche Creek Schneider Habitat Project & Rattlesnake Creek Boyd Brown Diversion Removal Project. He also had an area map to help show the different locations all over Central Washington that they have worked in.
11) TMDL Application	Max Linden	Y	Max reviewed and discussed that the \$80k grant application was submitted in 2008 but declined. They were encouraged to re-submit it in 2009. Needs signed by Monday. Motion made by Mike Richardson, seconded by Louis Musso. No objections by other members. Executive members Approved.

12) Harmony Project	Louis Musso	Y	Invoices have been submitted to RC&D for payment. As decided by the board, no invoices will be paid until we receive payment from NRCS. Once that is received the invoices will be paid.
13) Annual / Area Plans	Louis Musso	N	The State has granted more time to complete the Area & Annual Plans. This was requested because SCWRCD wants to be an example to the other RC&D's on how Area/Annual Plans should look. Would like to make an Area/Annual Plan committee.
Other business/adjourn	Louis Musso	N	Annual Meeting January 7, 2009 @ Howard Johnson 10am-1pm

Items for next board meeting (items tabled, assignments given, commitments made): Mileage Policy, Area/Annual Plan Committee

Minutes approved by board on:

Attested by: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____