

**MODOC RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
USDA Conference Room
Alturas, CA 96101
Minutes**

July 16, 2024

Directors Present: Stacey Hafen, Pearce Flournoy, Jess Dancer, Erika Forrest, Jason Diven

Directors Absent: Dick Mackey, Shaelene Tims

Staff Present: Lani Estill, Elyse Blaker, Lorissa Soriano

Guests Present: Edgar Sanchez, Representing NRCS

Erika Forest, President called the meeting to order at 6:24 pm. A quorum was met.

Public Comment: None

Minutes: The June 18, 2024 minutes were accepted as presented. Moved by Stacey, seconded by Pearce and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: June 30, 2024, Treasurer's Report was presented by Lani Cockrell. Pearce Flournoy moved to accept the Financial Report as presented for audit, Jess Dancer seconded, and motion carried.

Correspondence: CARCD Convention is Dec. 10-12 at the Doubletree Hilton

County alerted us to the need for a new Conflict of Interest Policy

CARCD has a special meeting scheduled on July 30th, 2024

Lomakatsi is asking for investment in their (Resource Conservation Project Plan) RCPP application. Deadline is past.

Old Business:

- 2024 Statement of Economic Interest (SEI) – Form 700 linked and instructions provided to the Board
- Board Elections – Stacey, Jason, Shealene and Dick need to pick up paperwork at the County.
- MOU with Lava Beds/Butte Valley RCD is not completed. Elyse has been talking to their staff to determine how we can help.

New Business:

- The Board agreed to change the River Center Meetings to Quarterly unless there is business to conduct.
- Board agreed that in person meetings with a Zoom option are a good alternative. Staff will get a Zoom account and screen for the Board room.

Director's Hours:

Jess Dancer	4	Lorissa Soriano (Assoc.)	0
Pearce Flournoy	4	Chico Pedotti (Assoc)	0
Erika Forrest	4	Richard Mackey	4
Stacey Hafen	10	Jason Diven	0
Shaelene Tims	0		

Reports:

Staff Report – Elyse reported on Grants and where we are in the process. See attached sheet.

NRCS: Edgar Sanchez reported. Archaeologists are coming up and they will be in the field with our staff. a **Coordinator Reports:** Reese reported on her progress and new projects. 966 deliverable is to work on new projects. She has been approached by a local rancher to do a watershed project at the Bailey Ranch in partnership with NRCS.

Working on a Native transitional youth internship program using the Good Neighbor authority program through the BLM. George – fuel specialist and Craig Drake. Would be funded with the SNC-966 grant. Our funds will help with training and funding. SIR – Susanville Indian Rancheria would administer the program.

Board reports – Stacey reported about our progress moving into the new office. A joint sign with the Modoc Fire Safe Council and the MRCD was proposed.

Items for next meeting – CalFrame update – Director involvement
Conflict of Interest Policy

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm

Closed Session:

Evaluations and wage adjustments were discussed and approved.
Adjourned at 8:22 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lani Estill, Business Manager
Jason Diven, Secretary