



East  
 Merced  
 Resource  
 Conservation  
 District

Board of Directors

*Jon Kelsey, President*                      *Glenn Anderson*  
*Tim Johnson, Vice-President*                      *vacant*  
*Robert Bliss, Sec./Treasurer*                      *vacant*

Meeting Minutes  
 of the  
 BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING  
 EAST MERCED RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
 Wednesday, April 27, 2005, 1:00 p.m.,  
 Conference Room, 2135 W. Wardrobe Ave., Merced, CA 95340  
*Call EMRCD for more information (209-723-6755)*

Directors Present: Glenn Anderson, Jon Kelsey, Tim Johnson

Directors Absent: Bob Bliss

Others Present: Bernard Wade  
 Karen Whipp, EMRCD  
 Cindy Lashbrook, EMRCD  
 Malia Hildebrandt  
 Tony Azevedo  
 Mele Anderson

<u>Item #</u>	<u>Action</u>
President Jon Kelsey called meeting to order at 1:12 pm	
1. INTRODUCTIONS None.	So Noted
2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS None.	So Noted
3. CORRECTIONS AND/OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA None.	
4. CONSENT AGENDA a. March 16, 2005 minutes b. Treasury Report c. Authorization to Purchase Computer Hardware, Software, and Costco Membership Motion: Tim Johnson Seconded: Glenn Anderson Approved unanimously.	
5. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION ONLY a. Letters • Letter from Ted Selb	

- b. Meeting Notices and Reports
  - Sacramento Bee Article-Dry Reception for Agriculture
  - Court Ruling on Mega-Stores
  - Announcement of the 2005 Governor's Environmental and Economic Leadership Awards On-line Application
  - List of Legislative Bills That May Be or Become of Interest to CARD
- c. Newsletters (available to review at the meeting)
  - Forestry Notes
  - Buffer Notes
  - California Special Districts Associations Government Affairs Days
  - California Special Districts Associations 2004 Annual Report

8. ORAL REPORTS

- a. Natural Resources Conservation Service, Malia Hildebrandt
  - Malia gave a report about the trials of their computer ranking system. She talked about the number of programs that have been funded. She also talked about the GIS training she went to.
- b. Watershed Coordinator Report, Teri Murrison
  - Teri is preparing for the Stakeholders meeting May 16.
  - Karen gave an update on funds for the DOC II grant and Sustainable Conservation
- c. Merced River Alliance--Prop 13 Report, Teri Murrison
  - Teri is continuing to work on finalizing the contracts for Prop 13.
  - Cindy discussed the plans of the May 22 fair and the activities for the event.
  - Karen has also been setting up the templates for the invoices and reports required by the SWRCB and the database for the newsletter mailing list. She has also been working with Stillwater Science on the landowner letters to obtain written permission for doing surveys.
  - Tim Johnson moved to have an attorney review the funding agreements between EMRCD and Stillwater Science and EMRCD and the SWRCB with special attention to deliverables and payments. The cost of an attorney not to exceed \$750. Seconded by Glenn Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

9. EMRCD 5-YEAR PLAN WORKSHEET

This item is tabled for the next meeting.

10. MERCED COUNTY LANDUSE PLANNING ACTIONS

There are no new landuse planning issues that are being reviewed at County Planning.

11. MERCED WATER SUPPLY PLAN

This item is tabled for a future meeting.

12. FUTURE PLANNING/BOARD ADMINISTRATION ACTIVITIES

- a. Plan visioning session to revise EMRCD Work Plan
  - Some.
- b. Annexation
  - Nothing new to discuss.

13. OLD BUSINESS
  - a. Jon Kelsey said that the Board of Supervisors will appoint new EMRCD Directors on May 3, 2005.
  - b. President directed staff to write a letter to Hilmar Cheese requesting them to attend a board meeting
  - c. Mele Anderson shared her Washington DC visit and meeting with CARCD people (Brian Leahy and
14. CLOSED SESSION  
There was no closed session
15. NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, May 25, 2005, 1:00 pm in the USDA office conference room, 2135 W. Wardrobe Ave., Merced, CA
16. ADJOURNMENT: 3:25 pm

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