

**Draft Meeting Minutes of the
EAST MERCED RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, July 23, 2008, 1:00 p.m.
Conference Room, 2135 Wardrobe Ave., Merced, CA 95341
Call EMRCD for more information (209-723-6755)**

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Roberts Rules of Order, 10th Edition, page 451

Directors Present: Karen Barstow, Tony Azevedo, Cathy Weber, Glenn Anderson
Directors Absent: Bob Bliss
Others Present: Karen Whipp, EMRCD Contract Personnel
Nancy McConnell, Project Manager Merced River Alliance Grant
Terry McLaughlin, Education Coordination Merced River Alliance Grant
Fred Whipp, KL Whipp and Co, Inc
Jennifer Foster, NRCS
Cindy Lashbrook, Outreach Coordination Merced River Alliance Grant and EMRCD Associate Director

Item #

President Karen Barstow called meeting to order at 1:02 pm.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

So noted.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

3. CORRECTIONS AND/OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

4. WATERSHED MODEL DEMONSTRATION

Terry McLaughlin gave demonstrations of the watershed and groundwater models that she used to teach Snelling and Mariposa students with the Merced River Alliance Project grant.

5. WRITTEN AND ORAL REPORTS

Natural Resources Conservation Service Report, Jennifer Foster (A written report was submitted at the meeting and was attached to agenda packets presented at the EMRCD Board meeting)
Merced River Alliance--Prop 13 Report, Nancy McConnell (A written report was submitted at the meeting and was attached to agenda packets presented at the EMRCD Board meeting.)

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Minutes of the June 18, 2008 EMRCD Board Meeting
- b. Treasury Report
- c. Prop 13 Update

Glenn Anderson moved to approve the consent agenda.

Tony Azevedo seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN EMRCD AND RIVER PARTNERS

Cathy Weber moved to approve an agreement with River Partners and authorize the EMRCD Board President to sign the agreement.

Glenn Anderson seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. CHANGING MEETING TIME OF EMRCD BOARD MEETING

No Action Taken.

9. EMRCD AGENDA OPTIONS

The agenda option changes will be tried and reviewed in September.

10. THE NEXT EMRCD FUNDRAISING EVENT

Cathy Weber moved to hold a History Train fundraising event at 5:00 pm on Saturday, November 15, 2008, for a donation of \$80 per person or \$150 per couple.

Glenn Anderson seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED. DIRECTOR AZEVEDO ABSTAINED.

11. CURRENT AND FUTURE LOCAL WATER ISSUES

Tony moved to submit a letter of support from the EMRCD Board of Directors to adopt the updated Merced Ground Water Management Plan.

Glenn Anderson seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

12. EMRCD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

So noted.

13. WATERSHEDS WORKGROUP

So noted.

14. BOARD MEMBER PARTICIPATION WITH MERCED COUNTY LANDUSE ISSUES AND GENERAL PLAN UPDATES

So noted.

15. CLOSED SESSION

It is the intension of the Board to meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b) concerning exposure to possible litigation: one case.

Board President Barstow closed the regular meeting at 4:02.

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