

MINUTES
Meeting of the
GOLD RIDGE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
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Thursday, October 17, 2013

Location: Gold Ridge RCD Office
2776 Sullivan Rd
Sebastopol, CA 95472
Call for directions

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 pm

II. Open Meeting (Introductions) The meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm.

III. Call to Order (Roll Call of Directors)

Directors present: Joe Dutton, Don Petersen, Ann Cassidy, Richard Hughes,
Directors absent: Jill Butler

Associate Directors present: Al Gerhardt (left at 6:30), Torrey Olson (left at 7:30)

Associate Directors absent: Bob Burke

Staff present: Brittany Heck, Michele Rocha, Joe Pozzi, Krista Lindley

Others present: Linda Peterson from UC Cooperative Extension, Charlette Epifanio from NRCS, Lisa Badenforth and Suzy Grady from the Food System Alliance

IV. Public Comment There was no public comment.

V. Informational Items

- a. Correspondence and Notices/Additional Agenda Items: Valley Ford Pie Auction 11/26, Heart of the Forest 11/2,
- b. Motion to add NRCS report to the agenda.
1st Ann Cassidy/2nd Richard Hughes.
All ayes; motion carried.
- c. TEAM Video. We watched the new video; the feedback was overwhelmingly positive.
- d. Food System Alliance Presentation on the Food Action Plan. Lisa Badenforth presented a brief history of the county food action plan and asked the board for feedback on the plan. She reported that the group has about 30 members and wants to include more producers. The GRRCD board refrained from making a motion to endorse the FAP until more work has been completed by the FSA.
- e. Iowa example of “Buy Local” policy. The board discussed the example and the need for producers in our district to find new markets for their products.
- f. Financial Updates. We talked about only taking on grants that we won’t lose money on and developing a fundraising plan.
- g. Valley Ford Schoolhouse Update. Brittany and Joe Pozzi attended a public meeting last month at the schoolhouse and talked with the community about the future of the

building. The Fire Dept will be putting \$5-7,000 into repairs. We will be requesting an update of the lease with the Fire Dept.

- h. Laguna Water Quality Trading Program. This item was tabled until the next meeting due to lack of time.

VI. Consent Calendar (September 19, 2013 Minutes and the Grant Status/Staff Report)

Motion to approve the consent calendar.

1st Ann Cassidy/2nd Richard Hughes.

All ayes; motion carried.

VII. Action Items

a. Endorsement of Food Action Plan. Tabled until further notice.

b. Approval of Construction Procurement Policy Revision. Tabled until next month.

c. Approval of Financial Report/Warrant Request.

Motion to approve the financial report and warrant requests.

1st Don Petersen/2nd Richard Hughes.

All ayes; motion carried.

d. Approval of Health Insurance Coverage to 60% for regular part time employees

Motion to cover 60% of health insurance premiums for regular part-time employees.

1st Ann Cassidy/2nd Don Petersen.

All ayes; motion carried.

VIII. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.