

**MINUTES OF THE 775<sup>th</sup> BOARD MEETING  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
NORTHWEST MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

**TIME:** 3:00 p.m., Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024

**PLACE:** Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District  
1966 Compton Avenue  
Corona, CA 92881

Zoom Teleconference: Meeting ID: 389 155 8737

<b>TRUSTEES PRESENT:</b>	Clint Lorimore	Eastvale	President
	Dale Welty	Canyon Lake	Vice Pres.
	Nancy Jimenez-Hernandez	Corona	Secretary
	Gary Bradley, Ph.D.	Riverside	Trustee
	Katherine Aleman	Norco	Trustee
	Guillermo Silva	Jurupa Valley	Trustee
	Steven Su, Ph.D.	Riverside County	Trustee
	Brian Tisdale	Lake Elsinore	Trustee

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:** None

<b>STAFF PRESENT:</b>	Mark Breidenbaugh, Ph.D.	District Manager
	Angela Caranci, Ph.D.	Assistant Manager/Vector Ecologist
	Nikia Smith	Director of Operations
	Eric Ballejos	Public Information & Tech. Officer

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Bruce Underwood, Dr. P.H., C.N.S. via Zoom

**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

President Lorimore called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Trustee Su.

**III. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:**

At the time of roll call Trustees, Bradley, Lorimore, Silva, Su, Welty, Tisdale, as well as District Manager, Assistant DM/Vector Ecologist, Director of Operations, Public Information and Technology Officer, were present in the boardroom. Trustee Aleman and Dr. Underwood were present via Zoom. Trustee Jimenez-Hernandez arrived at 3:19pm.

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS**

Dr. Bruce Underwood addressed the Trustees regarding his candidacy for Regular Special District Member of LAFCO – Eastern Region – Riverside County, as described in agenda item VII.A. Dr. Underwood briefly described his experience serving on boards of several special districts in the eastern region of Riverside County, and expressed his vision for representing the interests of all special districts should he be selected.

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Motion by Trustee Welty to approve consent calendar with immediate action on two items to be added after the board package was finalized. Item V.B.2.A Travel Expense Reimbursement for Trustee Jimenez-Hernandez, from her recent attendance at AMCA; and item V.B.2.B. Receive and file, Intent of District Manager to support a speaker invitation by the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) on behalf of their Vector Control Hurricane Crisis Workshop April 23-25. NACCHO will reimburse all travel expenses and there is no honorarium associated with this presentation. No items were pulled from consent calendar to discuss. Motion seconded by Trustee Bradley. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote as follows: yes by Trustees, Aleman, Bradley, Lorimore, Silva, Su, Tisdale, and Welty. Jimenez-Hernandez was absent.

**VI. PRESENTATION:**

A. None.

**VII. ITEMS FOR ACTION:**

A. Discussion on Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) ballot and selection.

The District Manager introduced the LAFCO ballot voting, open positions, and deadline for submission. Trustees were informed that each ballot could either rank the candidates or choose one candidate outright. The recommendation was to rank candidates and authorize President Lorimore to submit.

With respect to the Regular Member ballot, Trustees Su, Tisdale, and Bradley expressed their appreciation of hearing directly from Dr. Underwood. The District Manager also stated that he had received an endorsement of Dr. Underwood from the General Manager of Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District.

Trustee Su motioned to rank Dr. Underwood first and Candidate Estrada second and submit ballot. Second was given by Trustee Tisdale. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote as follows: yes by Trustees, Aleman, Bradley, Lorimore, Silva, Su, Tisdale, and Welty. Jimenez-Hernandez was absent.

Regarding the Alternate Member ballot, Trustee Tisdale shared his positive endorsement of Harvey Ryan, a candidate that shared a statement for the Board's consideration. Trustee Aleman then shared support for Angela Little as the second rank vote. Trustee Tisdale motioned to rank Candidate Ryan first and Candidate Little second, leaving other ranks non-assigned and submit ballot. Second by Trustee Aleman and roll call vote was unanimous as follows: yes by Trustees, Aleman, Bradley, Jimenez-Hernandez, Lorimore, Silva, Su, Tisdale, and Welty.

### **VIII. Reports:**

1. Trustees: Trustee Jimenez-Hernandez provided her report on attending AMCA 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting including reflections on social media engagement and conference feedback on the Trustee/Commissioner session, in which she indicated she thought more training and less touring would be beneficial. She gave accolades to staff that were acknowledged in the Plenary Session. Lastly, a request for presentation was made to PITO Eric Ballejos. Trustee Lorimore requested regular updates on legislative items of interest.
2. District Manager: The District Manager attended the 90<sup>th</sup> Annual AMCA Conference, a nationwide conference with attendees from vector control, industry, and academia. He highlighted the prestigious award received by staff member Matt Garfin and summarized nomination remarks that had been submitted. While not in attendance as a representative of the District, Dr. Su was acknowledged for being invited to address the full conference "In Memorium of Dr. Mir S. Mulla." The District Manager reported on his invitation to speak on a panel at the Young Professionals symposium and interact with group members in a speed interview process that engaged new professionals as they seek out employment opportunities.

The District Manager highlighted the upcoming Calibration Day where 11 agencies are organized by the District to engage in equipment calibration and information sharing each year. With vendors in the area for Calibration Day, a novel control application via UAS is being planned for 2024. Lastly, Trustees were presented with a new wall display of city plaques adorning the Board Room; each city plaque denotes the Trustee's name and Board position and staff support of the development of the plaques and their placement was noted.

3. Staff: The Assistant District Manager/Vector Ecologist, Director of Operations, and Public Information and Technology Officer attended the 90<sup>th</sup> Annual AMCA Conference. All presented slides of interest pertaining to the areas of Lab, Operations, Legislation, and Public Education. Trustees were reminded to submit their Form 700. Human Resources update was given expressing excitement over new seasonal staff starting Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

**IX. Informational:**

1. Pan-African and American Mosquito Control Associations' Partnership article in Wingbeats by Samuel Rund and Elija Juma

**X. Other Business:**

1. Request for future Agenda items: None.

**XI. Adjournment:**

1. Meeting adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

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March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024

Consent Item #V-A

Next regular meeting: 3:00 p.m., Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024, located at 1966 Compton Avenue,  
Corona, CA 92881.

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I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the action taken by the Board of  
Trustees at its meeting held on March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024.



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Mark Breidenbaugh, Ph.D., District Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held on April  
18<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

ATTEST:

  
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Clint Lorimore, President  
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Nancy Jimenez-Hernandez, Secretary