

Monthly SWCD Board Meeting Minutes

December 7, 2016

Chairman, Dave Cook, called the meeting to order December 7, 2016 at 8:30am Location: USDA Building Morrison, IL.

Members present were: Mike Jacobsen, Jeff Deets, Dave Cook, Paul Young and Dave Feltes.

District Staff: Dave Harrison - Resource Conservationist, Patricia Paxson - Administrative Coordinator

NRCS Personnel: Mark Kaiser, DC

Guest: Vern Latwesen

**Board Minutes:** A motion was made by Mike Jacobsen, seconded by Jeff Deets to approve the November 2, 2016 board meeting minutes. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report, approve time sheets, overtime and pending bills:** Mike Jacobsen gave report. Jeff Deets moved, seconded by Paul Young, a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and approve time sheets, overtime and pending bills. Motion carried

**DC Report:** See attached report.

**RC Report:** See attached report.

**AC Report:** See attached report.

**Old Business – SWCD Future –** Discussed topics again and district will run at current capacity until further notice. Ideas and topics were discussed about the budget issue and what we can do to protect ourselves in the future. We need to discuss whether or not we should or need to keep a cushion of funds in the accounts in case the district were to cease normal operations. Funds that will possibly be coming in will need to go to a district within the current LUC. LUC 1 met on November 9, 2016 to come up with a plan to submit to IDOA, a plan was developed. At the November 30, 2016 LUC1 regular meeting, the plan was approved and sent it in "as is" to the IDOA. More details to follow as needed. Some discussion was had about how much funding we will get if the funding comes through. Some of the funding we will be getting will also come from NRCS through contribution and assistance agreements. Other funds we get through our sales all year round. Paul Young and Vern Latwesen plan to attend the Quarterly Board Meeting in Springfield December 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Board member election was discussed and the director election will be held Wednesday, February 1, 2017. Notice of acceptance of nominations will need to be advertised. More discussion later.

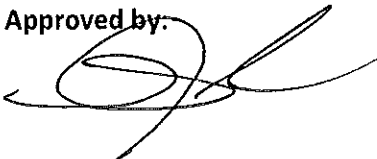
**New Business – none**

**Executive Session – none**

**Adjourn:** Mike Jacobsen moved, seconded by Jeff Deets to adjourn the meeting at 9:35am. Motion carried.

Next meeting is Wednesday January 4, 2017 at 8:30am

Approved by:



Transcribed by: Patricia Paxson, AC

## Monthly SWCD Education Board Meeting Minutes

December 7, 2016

Chairman, Paul Young, called the meeting to order at 9:36am December 7, 2016. Location: USDA Building Morrison, IL

Those present were: Mike Jacobsen, Dave Cook, Paul Young, Dave Feltes and Jeff Deets.

District Staff: Dave Harrison - Resource Conservationist, Patricia Paxson - Administrative Coordinator

NRCS Personnel: Mark Kaiser, DC

Guests: Vern Latwensen

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Dave Cook, seconded by Mike Jacobsen to approve the November 2, 2016 minutes. Motion carried.

**Treasure's Report/Pending Bills:** Mike Jacobsen gave report. Dave Feltes moved and Dave Cook seconded a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as well as approve the pending bills. Motion carried.

### Old Business

Fulton Education Center – Center is moving forward, they have been receiving more donations and a list of uses for the donations is being created. The cougar is still at the nature center and still needs its case repaired. Once some of the events are over, there are plans to take it back to the wood workers to repair the case, hopefully in the near future.

Envirothon was discussed. The date has been set for March 7, 2017 with four of the 6 NILUC 1 counties participating. The Envirothon checking account is staying in JoDaviess County. There are 15 teams registered for the event in March, 2017. We have received some donations thus far with more trickling in. Whiteside will try to contact a few other places for donations.

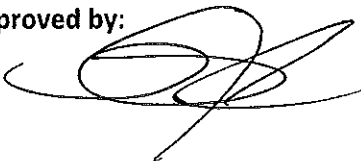
### New Business

Teacher grants was discussed. Earlier in the year due to financial constraints, we had put a hold on giving any grants. Now, with a few donations we have gotten, we may be able to start looking at grant applications again. Let the schools and public know that grants may be an option again in the spring. We can accept applications at any time and will decide on them as they are reviewed.

**Adjourn** – Mike Jacobsen moved and Mark Kaiser seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:45am. Motion carried.

Next Meeting is Wednesday January 4, 2017, following the SWCD board meeting.

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