

Monthly SWCD Board Meeting Minutes

November 2, 2016

Chairman, Dave Cook, called the meeting to order November 2, 2016 at 8:45am Location: USDA Building Morrison, IL.

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

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

NRCS Personnel: None

Board Minutes: A motion was made by Mike Jacobsen, seconded by Jeff Deets to approve the October 5, 2016 board meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report, Approve time sheets, overtime and pending bills: Mike Jacobsen gave report. Paul Young moved, seconded by Jeff Deets, a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and approve time sheets, overtime and pending bills. This motion also included a bill from Cincinnati Insurance Company for \$140.00 for trailer insurance, which had come the night before the meeting. 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. There has been an employee meeting to try to come up with ideas to present to the board members at board meetings. There needs to be criteria and other items discussed as how to split the funds between the 6 counties in the LUC. One representative as well as employees will get together in Mt. Carroll on November 9, 2016 to try to come up with a "solid" plan to present to IDOA. More details to follow as needed.

Employee Contracts – Corrections were made to the employee contracts as need and presented to the board. Mike Jacobsen moved, seconded by Jeff Deets to accept contract corrections, motion carried. Take off agenda.

New Business – Board member election was added to the agenda as the meeting was held. No election date has been picked as of yet but noticed of acceptance of nominations will need to be put in the papers. More discussion later.

Executive Session – none

Adjourn: Mike Jacobsen moved, seconded by Jeff Deets to adjourn the meeting at 9:55am. Motion carried.

Next meeting is Wednesday December 7, 2016 at 8:30am

Approved by:



Transcribed by: Patricia Paxson, AC

Monthly SWCD Education Board Meeting Minutes

November 2, 2016

Chairman, Paul Young, called the meeting to order at 9:56am November 2, 2016. Location: USDA Building Morrison, IL

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

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

NRCS Personnel: None

Minutes: A motion was made by Dave Cook, seconded by Mike Jacobsen to approve the October 5, 2016 minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report/Pending Bills: Mike Jacobsen gave report. Dave Cook moved and Jeff Deets 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. A gravel driveway between the Nature Center and Heritage Canyon has been put in place. Prairie has been established and a grant may be applied for to purchase or make signs for the plants in the prairie. IL Extension will be using the center throughout the year for upcoming workshops. 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. There are in the process of planning some upcoming day camps

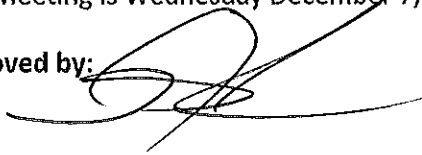
New Business

Envirothon was discussed. The date has been set for March 7, 2017 with four of the 6 NILUC 1 counties participating. JoDaviess and Ogle will not participate as of now. The board has asked that a letter go out to all the 6 counties to discuss the Envirothon checking account. JoDaviess opted out to participate in educational activity but they hold the account in their county. Therefore the board thinks it would be better if one of the participating counties held the account, more discussion to follow.

Adjourn – Mike Jacobsen moved and Dave Cook seconded the motion to adjourn at 10:16am. Motion carried.

Next Meeting is Wednesday December 7, 2016, following the SWCD board meeting.

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