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KSWCD BOARD MEETING MINUTES March 14, 2025

In Attendance:

Board Members:

Present: Ken Masten, Jolene Moxon-Robison, Earl Miller, Robert Douglas, David Cone, Charles Dehlinger.

Excused: Lyndon Kerns

Others Absent: none

District Staff: Misty Buckley

Community/Agencies: Nina Caldwell/ODA

Other: n/a

Proceedings:

Meeting called to order: 12:34 pm – Ken Masten

Quorum present? Yes

Agenda Additions/Changes: February 2025 Special Meeting Minutes were not distributed; move approval to next meeting.

Unfinished Business:

- Approve Financials for December 2024 – David Cone reviewed & motioned to approve. Earl Miller seconded this motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Approve Financials for January 2025 – David Cone wanted to ask Julie about retained earnings. David Cone motioned to approve. Jolene Moxon-Robison seconded this motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Approve Financials for February 2025 – David Cone wanted to ask Julie about retained earnings and accounts receivable. David Cone motioned to approve. Jolene Moxon-Robison seconded this motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Approve Minutes for February 2025 Regular Meeting – Jolene Moxon-Robison motioned to approve the February 2025 Regular Meeting minutes. Robert Douglas seconded this motion. The motion passed with Charles Dehlinger abstaining.

Reports:

- **SBC Report: Julie Jespersen**
sent via email 3/11/25
- **NRCS Report: Josh Elke**

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Josh was unavailable but had conveyed to Misty possible effects to KSWCD if Congress failed to pass new legislation to fund the government beyond March 14, 2025 after which the government would shut down until Congress approved a spending bill. These effects included having to vacate the office space. Likelihood and potential solutions were discussed. Loss of NRCS conservation planning positions was discussed.

- **FSA Report: Kenadee Dirk**

Kenadee shared that FSA has 2 programs; LIP is the Livestock Indemnity Program which helps producers get money back due to loss in livestock, ARC is the Agriculture Risk Coverage program which provides payments when the actual revenue for a farm is less than a guarantee set based on historical data and market conditions and PLC is the Price Loss Coverage program which provides payments when the effective price for a covered commodity falls below its effective reference price. The crops must be raised on land that was originally for base acres for specific crops.

- **ODA Report: Nina Caldwell**

Nina presented an overview of the ODA Water Quality Program and covered how ODA & SWCD's work together. KSWCD has two Ag Water Quality Areas (Klamath Headwaters & Lost River management areas). Nina will work with Misty to develop a draft plan for the new biennium for the Scope of Work which pairs with a District Operations portion to make up our ODA Capacity Grant. Our 2025-2027 SWCD Capacity Grant application is due May 29; we need to remember to leave time for review/edits/approval by the Board and meet the submission deadline. We are welcome to contact Nina with questions or requests for additional details.

- **Administrative Manager Report: Misty Buckley**

Misty sent her report via e-mail. An addition to that report is that OIT has responded that they have 1 fully executed contract on file for work with KSWCD and that there were some other informal agreements that were put into place, with final documents still in progress before Will and Hanna left. Misty thinks there are other agreements the OIT contracts office maybe didn't know of yet, such as the Dyers Woad drone assessment. Nina has offered to accompany Misty and/or Sunday on a water monitoring trip; Charles Dehlinger would also be interested in attending.

- **Project Manager Report: Sunday Tinsley**

Sunday sent her report via e-mail. Jolene Moxon-Robison commented that it is nice to receive the reports in advance.

- **Chair Report: Ken Masten**

Nothing new.



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Unfinished Business:

The Klamath County Cooperative Weed Management Area MOU was provided in advance; there was no discussion. Jolene Moxon-Robison made a motion to approve the Klamath County Cooperative Weed Management Area MOU. Charles Dehlinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Jolene Moxon-Robison informed the Board that there is a similar MOU with Modoc County (California) and KSWCD could participate similarly with additional groups.

Jolene Moxon-Robison asked about an outstanding vendor invoice; Misty Buckley answered that the vendor has information that is needed to clarify questions by the granting agency. There was a discrepancy between the acreage identified in the project application and the acreage initially reported by KSWCD in the project completion report and associated funding request.

Unfinished Business:

The OISC Outreach Grant Agreement is ready to be signed; there may be some changes to how the project is implemented depending on staffing resources, but the objectives can still be attained. Jolene Moxon-Robison made a motion to approve signature of the OISC Outreach Grant Agreement. David Cone seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The pickup was already declared surplus but we did not receive any sealed bids so we will proceed as originally planned to list it to be sold at the Deupree Auction 4/19/25. Ken Masten said it has to be transported by tow truck; multiple people agreed.

Purchase documentation has been located for the John Deere N01560X696160 No Till Drill but has not been located for the other drill and the aerator. Misty Buckley will obtain the contract for the auction and continue looking for the documentation for the other equipment.

Charles Dehlinger motioned to continue appointment of Misty Buckley as interim manager until completion of the search committee's efforts results in a formal hiring determination. Jolene Moxon-Robison seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment:

None.

Next regular meeting is April 16, 2025 at 12:30 pm.

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Jolene Moxon-Robison made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Charles Dehlinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting is adjourned at 1:53 pm.

Minutes Approved as Written or Amended:

KSWCD Chair

Date

KSWCD Secretary/Treasurer

Date