



AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Steve Campbell – HOA Representative
Doug Dransfield – Agricultural Economics
Brian Fishback – Commercial Bee Keeping
Chuck Ingels – UC Extension Farm Advisor
Charlotte Mitchell – Natural Resources; Poultry
Ken Oneto – Orchards, Vineyards, Row Crops
Brad van Loben Sels – Farm Management
Jim Vietheer – Livestock
Michael Wackman – Natural Resources; Wineries

Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of December 7, 2017 6:30 pm

Giant Sequoia Room
4137 Branch Center Rd.
Sacramento, California 95827

1. CALL TO ORDER

Agricultural Commissioner Juli Jensen called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Campbell, Doug Dransfield, Brian Fishback, Charlotte Mitchell, Ken Oneto, Brad van Loben Sels, Jim Vietheer, and Michael Wackman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Chuck Ingels

STAFF PRESENT: Juli Jensen (Agriculture Commissioner), Chris Flores (Chief Deputy Agricultural Commissioner), Laura McCready (Clerk of the Committee), and Rick Heyer (Sacramento County Counsel)

ALSO PRESENT: Bill Bird (Executive Director - Sacramento County Farm Bureau)

2. INTRODUCTION OF STAFF

Juli Jensen introduced the staff to the committee members.

3. INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committee members gave a brief introduction of themselves.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

For the first meeting with no Chair and Vice Chair, Juli Jensen approved the agenda.

5. INTRODUCTION TO THE BROWN ACT (PRESENTATION)

Rick Heyer from Sacramento County Counsel gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Brown Act. A PowerPoint handout was included in committee member packets for reference.

6. NOMINATION/ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Charlotte Mitchell nominated Ken Oneto for the position of Chair. Nomination was seconded by Michael Wackman. Jim Vietheer and Brad van Loben Sels abstained until necessary Ethics training

and Form 700s were completed. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of committee members eligible to vote. Brian Fishback nominated Steve Campbell for the position of Vice-Chair. Nomination was seconded by Charlotte Mitchell. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of committee members eligible to vote.

7. APPROVAL OF 2018 MEETING CALENDAR

The proposed dates for the 2018 calendar were presented to the Committee. It was recommended that the meetings be held every other month, on the second Wednesday of the month, in the Giant Sequoia Room at 6:30 p.m. Motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

8. RIGHT TO FARM ORDINANCE

Chris Flores handed out the Sacramento County Right to Farm Ordinance and the California Right to Farm Act. The California Right to Farm Act trumps the County Ordinance if there are discrepancies.

9. PESTICIDES AND SCHOOLS UPDATE

Juli Jensen handed out a press release from the California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) explaining the new regulation set to take effect January 1, 2018. The new regulation will prohibit many pesticides from being sprayed within a quarter mile of public K-12 schools and certain day care centers during school hours (Monday – Friday, 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.). Annual notification must now be provided to the schools and day care centers within a quarter mile of where the pesticides will be applied. Notification requirement goes into effect April 1, 2018.

10. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Juli Jensen handed out the Federal and State Legislative platform from the California Agricultural Commissioner and Sealers Association (CACASA).

11. NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

It was suggested that agenda items for the next meeting include discussing permit conditions and requirements for the use of Shark pesticide and forming bylaws for the committee.

12. SACRAMENTO COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER REPORT

Report tabled due to time constraint until next meeting.

13. PUBLIC COMMENT

None presented.

14. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

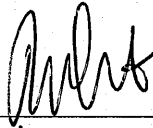
None presented.

15. ADJOURNMENT

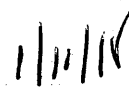
The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m. The next meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held on January 10, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting minutes prepared by Laura McCreedy, Ag Advisory Committee Clerk,
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES



Ken Oneto, Chair



Date