

DELTA MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

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Minutes of the Board of Trustees – Wednesday, September 14, 2022, Start: 4:30 p.m.

1. **Roll Call:**

Present: Greg Gomez, President; Belen Gomez, Secretary; Linda Guttierrez, Larry Roberts, Kevin Caskey, and Rosemary Hellwig

Absent: None

Staff: Dr. Mustapha Debboun, General Manager; Mary Ellen Gomez, Administrative Assistant

2. **Public Forum:**

None

3. **Consent Calendar:**

Following discussion, it was moved by Larry Roberts, seconded by Linda Guttierrez, and the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the consent calendar as presented.

4. **Staff Report:**

Dr. Debboun gave an overview of the current field and laboratory operations and discussed the increase of West Nile virus (WNV) positive mosquito pools in the District and throughout the Central Valley. Data shows that the 2022 WNV positive mosquito pool trend follows and is similar to that of 2019 mosquito season. He also informed the Board members that in collaboration with the Leading Edge Technologies, Delta Mosquito and Vector Control District (DMVCD) staff performed its first Drone larviciding mission on August 30 and 31, 2022 on the northwest area of Visalia. Dr. Debboun also provided the Board members with copies of the prestigious Popular Science article on DMVCD activities and shared with them the upcoming timeline for the DMVCD 100-year Anniversary and Celebration event on October 8, 2022.

5. **Disposal Of Surplus Vehicle:**

Following discussion, it was moved by Kevin Caskey, seconded by Rosemary Hellwig, and unanimously approved by the Board members for the General Manager to auction the 1997 Chevrolet Silverado that is very old, has high mileage and non-functional.

6. Non-Elective Component

Following discussion, it was moved by Belen Gomez, seconded by Larry Roberts and the Board members unanimously approved the premium component required for medical health coverage in the Section 125 plan maintained by DMVCD administrative office.

7. Reappointments:

Dr. Debboun requested if the three Board members: Belen Gomez, Kevin Caskey, and Larry Roberts would like to extend their terms on the Board as their current terms will end on December 31, 2022, they each were interested in renewing and extending their terms.

8. AB1234 and AB1825 Training Requirements:

Dr. Debboun informed the Board members that their two required trainings, i.e., Harassment Prevention (AB1825), and Ethics (AB1234) need to be updated for all except the Board President, Greg Gomez.

9. Board Member Comments:

Rosemary Hellwig would like to address sick leave policy at next Board Meeting.

10. Future Agenda Items:

Sick Leave Policy will be added to the October Agenda.

11. Adjournment:

It was moved by Kevin Caskey, seconded by Linda Guttierrez, and the Board members unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 5:31 p.m.

Dr. Mustapha Debboun, Recording Secretary
