



Pima Natural Resource Conservation District
Pima Center for Conservation Education, Inc.
NRCS Plant Materials Center
3241 N. Romero Road
Tucson, AZ 85705



**Draft Minutes of the Board of Supervisors of
Natural Resource Conservation District (PNRCD)**

the Pima

Meeting Date: Tuesday, May 28, 2019

Meeting Location: NRCS Plant Material Center, 3241 N. Romero Rd, Tucson, AZ 85705

Attendees:

Supervisors: Jim Chilton (Absent), Cindy Copping, Jonathan DuHamel, Patricia King (Absent), and Andrew McGibbon. Clerk: Chris Postel.

Agencies/Guests: NRCS: Alisha Phipps, Cary Lilly, Brett Myers, and Alvaro Campos. Robert Schmalzel (Bob), biological consultant.

PNRCD Meeting

Call to Order - 1:40 pm

Approve April 16, 2019 Meeting Minutes: **Motion:** Supervisor DuHamel moved to **approve the meeting minutes** of April 16, 2019. Motion seconded by Supervisor McGibbon. Motion carried 3 Aye- 0 Nay.

Financial Report (See Attached): Per Supervisor Copping, the checking account balances are: \$8,974,14 (State) and \$47,300.88 (District). The financial reports are filed.

Invoices (Chairman-bookkeeping & Clerk)

Supervisor McGibbon moved to **approve invoices** of Cindy Copping (\$40) and Chris Postel (\$790.70). Motion seconded by Supervisor DuHamel. Motion carried 3 Aye- 0 Nay.

Approval for AACD Dues invoice: Supervisor McGibbon moved to **approve the invoice for \$1,500**. Motion seconded by Supervisor DuHamel. Motion carried 3 Aye- 0 Nay.

Administration (Chris Postel)

- Cooperator List: The list has been updated, only 50% of the list have email addresses.
- AACD Supervisor Training & Summer Meeting: September 24 is the scheduled training date to be held at the NRCS Plant Materials Center in Tucson starting at 9 am. The AACD summer meeting will be in Flagstaff from July 9-11.
- Website Update: Per Supervisor Copping, She will prepare a proposal for an annual cost estimate (domain name, hosting, spam, etc) of \$170.

Old Business

- Biological Assessment Update: Tabled, Jim Chilton not present.
- Elimination of the Designation of our International Border Areas as a "Coronado Forest Border Roadless Area: Tabled, Jim Chilton not present
- NRCS Local Work Group Meeting Update: Per Alisha, 20 people attended the meeting. Conservation Implementation Strategy plans were discussed with a focus on rangeland and water. They are planning a workshop on soils, focusing on soil health and water efficiency.

New Business

- 2019-2020 Goals & Objectives: See PCCE meeting minutes.
- Discuss Annual Reports: See PCCE meeting minutes.

Reports

- NRCS (See Attached Report): Per Alisha, Cary Lilly is the new acting District Conservationist for the next 3 months. She is from Willcox and specializes in Soil Conservation.
- Supervisors: Supervisor Coping attended a Small Business Administration regulatory workshop. She stressed that they should use the best available science and the need a written federal regulation defining standards for selecting the best available science. Presently it is up to personal whim and biased to scientific ignorance, re-use of outdated "boilerplate" and personal political persuasion of regulatory agents.

Call to the public (None)

Adjourn: 2:11 pm. Supervisor Duhamel moved. Supervisor McGibbon 2nd. Motion carried 3 Aye- 0 Nay.

Draft Minutes were submitted by Chris Postel, Pima/PCCE NRCD Clerk on May 31, 2019

Date Minutes were Approved by the Pima NRCD Board of Supervisors:

Signed _____ Date _____
 Cindy Coping, Chair, Pima NRCD/PCCE