

MINUTES OF THE 910th MEETING

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District**

TIME: 3:00 P.M. December 15, 2022

PLACE: 13001 Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove, CA 92843
MEETING WAS A TELECONFERENCE MEETING

PRESIDENT:	James Gomez	La Habra
VICE PRESIDENT:	Peggy Huang	Yorba Linda
SECRETARY:	Craig Green	Placentia

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Anaheim	Lucille Kring	Laguna Woods	Shari Horne
Brea	Cecilia Hupp	Lake Forest	Vladimir Anderson
Buena Park	Susan Sonne	Los Alamitos	Tanya Doby
Costa Mesa	Bill Turpit	Mission Viejo	Bob Ruesch
Cypress	Scott Minikus	Orange	Jon Dumitru
Dana Point	Rick Viczorek	Placentia	Craig Green
Fountain Valley	Kim Constantine	Rancho Santa Margarita	April Josephson
Fullerton	Fred Jung	San Juan Capistrano	John Taylor
Huntington Beach	Mike Posey	Santa Ana	Nelida Mendoza
Irvine	Tammy Kim	Seal Beach	Sandra Massa-Lavitt
La Habra	James Gomez	Stanton	Gary Taylor
La Palma	Debbie S. Baker	Tustin	Rebecca Gomez
Laguna Beach	Sue Kempf	Villa Park	Crystal Miles
Laguna Hills	Erica Pezold	Westminster	Chi Charlie Nguyen
Laguna Niguel	Rischi Paul Sharma	Yorba Linda	Peggy Huang
		County of Orange	Elizabeth Guillen-Merchant

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Aliso Viejo	Richard Hurt	Newport Beach	Joy Brenner
Garden Grove	Stephanie Klopfenstein	San Clemente	Steve Knoblock

Trustee Klopfenstein had an excused absence.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Rick Howard, District Manager
Lora Young, Assistant District Manager/Director of Communications
Amber Semrow, Director of Scientific Technical Services
Steve Shepherd, Director of Operations
Tawnia Pett, Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board
Alan Burns, District Counsel

A. Opening:

1. **Call the Business Meeting to Order:** President J. Gomez called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** President J. Gomez asked Trustee Posey to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call:** Roll call indicated 31 Trustees were present out of the current Board membership of 35.
4. **Adopted Resolution No. 549 Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings of the Legislative Bodies of the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District for the Period of December 15, 2022 through January 13, 2023, Pursuant to Brown Act Provisions: (Exhibit A, B)** On motion from Trustee Posey, seconded by Trustee Kring, and approved by majority vote, the Board of Trustees adopted Resolution No. 549 authorizing remote teleconference meetings of the legislative bodies of the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District for the period of December 15, 2022 through January 13, 2023, pursuant to Brown Act Provisions.

Ayes: Trustees Kring, Hupp, Sonne, Turpit, Minikus, Viczorek, Constantine, Jung, Posey, Kim, J. Gomez, Baker, Pezold, Sharma, Horne, Anderson, Doby, Ruesch, Dumitru, Green, Josephson, J. Taylor, Massa-Lavitt, G. Taylor, R. Gomez, Nguyen, and Huang.

Noes: Trustee Miles.

Abstained: None.

Absent: Trustees Hurt, Klopfenstein, Kempf, Brenner, Knoblock, Mendoza, and Guillen-Merchant.

5. **Late/Other Communications:**
Late Communications:
Other Communications: Update to Agenda Item G.4

B. Public Comments: None**C. Presentations: None****D. OCMVCD Committee Reports to the Board of Trustees:**

1. Policy and Personnel Committee: Committee Chair Kim reported that there was a closed session to discuss negotiations between the District and the District's Employee Association. The committee provided direction to the District Manager but there was nothing to report out from the meeting.
2. Joint Committee Meeting: Budget & Finance and Building, Property, & Equipment Committees: Budget & Finance Committee Chair Jung reported staff provided a plan to move the project forward. The plan is to search for properties that are not presently for sale but might meet the needs of the District. The joint committees asked to reconvene the joint committees meeting in early 2023 because of lack of attendance at the meeting on December 8, 2022.

E. Consent Calendar: Items for Approval by General Consent:

On motion from Trustee Posey, seconded by Trustee Kring, and approved by unanimous vote, the Board of Trustees approved Consent Calendar Items E.1 through E.4.

Ayes: Trustees Kring, Hupp, Sonne, Minikus, Viczorek, Constantine, Jung, Posey, Kim, J. Gomez, Baker, Kempf, Pezold, Sharma, Horne, Anderson, Doby, Ruesch, Dumitru, Green, Josephson, J. Taylor, Massa-Lavitt, G. Taylor, R. Gomez, and Huang.

Noes: None.

Abstained: Trustee Miles.

Absent: Trustees Hurt, Turpit, Klopfenstein, Brenner, Knoblock, Mendoza, Nguyen, and Guillen-Merchant.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approved, without reading, the minutes of the 909th Meeting of the Board of Trustees held November 17, 2022.
2. **Approved Warrant Register for October 2022: (Exhibit A)** Received and filed.
3. **Approved Monthly Financial Report for October 2022: (Exhibit A)** Received and filed.
4. **Adopted Resolution No. 550 Opposing Ballot Initiative #21-0042A1, the Taxpayer Protection and Governmental Accountability Act: (Exhibit A, B, C, D, E)**

F. Business and Action Items:

1. **Approved Separation Agreement Between the District Manager and the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District: (Exhibit A)** Before the vote, District Counsel Burns read out the required oral report: The District Manager will be able to convert his sick leave to a cash payout that will equate to about \$30,590, the District would have costs of between \$15,295 to \$24,472 to convert it to PERS. The District Manager will be able to keep his District issued computer, iPad and peripheral devices after they have been scrubbed. The Executive Committee has recommended this agreement. In exchange the District Manager has agreed to advise the District for a one year period. On motion from Trustee Miles, seconded by Trustee Posey, and approved by unanimous vote, the Board of Trustees approved the separation agreement between the District Manager and the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District.

Ayes: Trustees Kring, Sonne, Turpit, Minikus, Viczorek, Constantine, Jung, Posey, Kim, J. Gomez, Baker, Kempf, Pezold, Sharma, Horne, Anderson, Doby, Ruesch, Dumitru, Green, Josephson, J. Taylor, Massa-Lavitt, G. Taylor, R. Gomez, Miles Nguyen, and Huang.

Noes: None.

Abstained: None.

Absent: Trustees Hurt, Hupp, Klopfenstein, Brenner, Knoblock, Mendoza, and Guillen-Merchant.

2. **Approved Employment Agreement Between the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District and Lora Young for the Position of District Manager: (Exhibit A)** Before the vote, District Counsel Burns read out an oral report: Lora Young will receive a base salary of \$185,000 a year to start. She will have a monthly car allowance of \$500. One hundred and sixty hours of vacation per year, 98 hours of administrative leave per year. And \$330 per month into deferred compensation. Besides that, she will receive the normal health insurance and PERS retirement and the other benefits that the other employees get, and that she currently gets. The Executive Committee has met and recommended this agreement. After District Counsel Burns' reports, Assistant District Manager/Director of Communications Young gave a report to the board. On motion from Trustee Posey, seconded by Trustee Kring, and approved by unanimous vote, the Board of Trustees approved the employment agreement between the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District and Lora Young for the position of District Manager.

Ayes: Trustees Kring, Hupp, Sonne, Turpit, Minikus, Viczorek, Constantine, Jung, Posey, Kim, J. Gomez, Baker, Pezold, Sharma, Horne, Anderson, Doby, Ruesch, Dumitru, Green, Josephson, J. Taylor, Massa-Lavitt, G. Taylor, R. Gomez, Miles, Nguyen, Huang, and Guillen-Merchant.

Noes: None.

Abstained: None.

Absent: Trustees Hurt, Klopfenstein, Kempf, Brenner, Knoblock, and Mendoza.

G. **Informational Items Only (No Action Necessary):**

1. **Staff Presentation:** Director of Scientific Technical Services Semrow gave an update of vector activity in Orange County.
2. **Staff Presentation:** Assistant District Manager/Director of Communications Young gave an update on outreach activity in Orange County.
3. **Staff Presentation:** Director of Operations Shepherd gave an update on operations activity in Orange County.
4. **Received and Filed Trustee Terms of Office to Expire on January 2, 2023 at 11:59 A.M.**
5. **Received and Filed Recognized District Employees Years of Service**
6. **Received and Filed Laboratory Reports – Included in agenda packet**

H. **President's Report and Trustee Comments: None**

I. **District Manager's Report:** District Manager Howard reported:

1. The District had a Drive Through Holiday Party on December 13, 2022
2. The District introduced the interim HR Manager, Janet Fellenzer

J. **District Counsel Report:** District Counsel Burns reported:

1. The District successfully received a six month warrant

K. **Correspondence:**

1. Staff reports from conferences attended in November

L. **Future Agenda Items: None**

M. **Adjournment:**

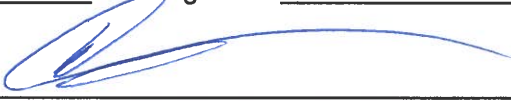
1. President James Gomez adjourned the meeting at 3:38 p.m. to a special meeting on Thursday, January 12, 2023.

I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the actions taken by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held December 15, 2022.

Lora B. Young
Lora B. Young, District Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at its 911th

Nine hundred and eleventh meeting held January 19, 2023

ATTEST: 
Cecilia Hupp , Secretary