

**MINUTES OF THE 909<sup>th</sup> MEETING**

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

TIME: 3:00 P.M. November 17, 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:**

Aliso Viejo	Richard Hurt	Laguna Woods	Shari Horne
Anaheim	Lucille Kring	Lake Forest	Vladimir Anderson
Brea	Cecilia Hupp	Los Alamitos	Tanya Doby
Buena Park	Susan Sonne	Mission Viejo	Bob Ruesch
Costa Mesa	Bill Turpit	Newport Beach	Joy Brenner
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 Clemente	Steve Knoblock
Garden Grove	Stephanie Klopfenstein	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

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:**

County of Orange Liz Guillen-Merchant

Trustee Guillen-Merchant 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 3:01 P.M.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** President J. Gomez asked Trustee Hupp to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call:** Roll call indicated 34 Trustees were present out of the current Board membership of 35.
4. **Late/Other Communications:**  
**Late Communications:**  
**Other Communications:** Update to Agenda Item H.4

**B. Public Comments: None****C. Closed Session/Open Session:**

1. **Adjourn to Closed Session:** President J. Gomez moved the meeting into closed session at 3:06 p.m. Items discussed:
  - a. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS – Discussion of Terms of Separation Agreement  
Agency Designated Representatives: President of the Board  
Unrepresented Employee: Incumbent District Manager
  - b. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT  
Title: Discussion of Recommendations Regarding Appointment of New District Manager
2. **Reconvene to Open Session:** Open Session reconvened at 3:25 p.m. District Counsel Burns reported there was no reportable action.

**D. Presentations:** District staff gave a presentation entitled “So Cal SIT Joint Pilot Project Update”**E. OCMVCD Committee Reports to the Board of Trustees:**

1. Executive Committee: President J. Gomez reported that the committee report was given in closed session.
2. Budget and Finance Committee: Committee Chair Jung reported unanimously approved recommending agenda item F.5. The second item the committee reviewed, agenda item F.6, the committee unanimously approved the item but with the change of a “periodic” review to “annual” review.

**F. Consent Calendar: Items for Approval by General Consent:**

Before the vote, Trustee Miles pulled agenda item F.6 for discussion. Trustee Miles requested that the “periodic” review of the District Investment Policy be changed to “annual” review and that actual changes to the policy will be by resolution. On motion from Trustee Miles, seconded by Vice President Huang, and approved by unanimous vote, the Board of Trustees approved Consent Calendar Items F.2 through F.6 as was amended by Trustee Miles’ recommendation. Agenda Item F.1 was approved by majority vote due to absences at the previous Board Meeting (Abstained: Trustees Hurt, Sonne, and Knoblock).

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

**Noes:** None.

**Abstained:** None.

**Absent:** Trustees Nguyen and Guillen-Merchant.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approved, without reading, the minutes of the special meeting on October 13, 2022 and the 908<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Trustees held October 20, 2022.
2. **Approved Warrant Register for September 2022: (Exhibit A)** Received and filed.
3. **Approved Monthly Financial Report for September 2022: (Exhibit A)** Received and filed.
4. **Adopted Resolution No. 547 Rescinding Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District Board Policy Numbers 16, 17, 22, and 31: (Exhibit A, B)**
5. **Approved Purchase of Ten (10) Replacement Laptop Computers with Docking Stations: (Exhibit A, B)**
6. **Adopted Resolution No. 548 Amending Investment Policy No. 38 of the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District: (Exhibit A, B, C)**

G. **Business and Action Items: None**

H. **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 Laboratory Reports – Included in agenda packet**

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

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

1. There will be a Policy and Personnel Committee meeting on November 30, 2022 at 11:30 A.M.
2. There will be a Joint Committee Meeting: Budget & Finance and Building, Property, & Equipment Committees on December 8, 2022 at 11:30 A.M.
3. District Staff, Trustees, and staff from districts and agencies in Southern California attended a tour of the Medfly program at the Los Alamitos Joint Forces Base on November 12

4. The MVCAC Annual Conference is January 29-February 1, 2023. Contact Clerk Pett if you are interested in attending

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

1. District Counsel Burns will have a selected laws memo for the board in December or January

L. **Correspondence:**

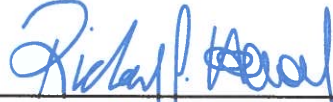
1. Staff reports from Pest World October 10-14, 2022

M. **Future Agenda Items: None**

N. **Adjournment:**

1. President James Gomez adjourned the meeting at 4:04 p.m. to a regular meeting on Thursday, December 15, 2022.

I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the actions taken by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held November 17, 2022.



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Richard Howard, District Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at its 910<sup>th</sup>

Nine hundred and tenth meeting held December 15, 2022

ATTEST: 

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Craig Green, Secretary