

**MINUTES OF THE 928<sup>th</sup> MEETING**

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

TIME: 3:00 P.M. September 19, 2024

PLACE: 13001 Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove, CA 92843

PRESIDENT:	Craig Green	Placentia
VICE PRESIDENT:	Cecilia Hupp	Brea
SECRETARY:	Robert Ruesch	Mission Viejo

**TRUSTEES PRESENT:**

Aliso Viejo	Richard Hurt	Laguna Hills	Erica Pezold
Anaheim	Carlos Leon	Laguna Woods	Shari Horne
Brea	Cecilia Hupp	Lake Forest	Robert Pequeño
Costa Mesa	Bill Turpit	Newport Beach	Erik Weigand
Cypress	Bonnie Peat	Orange	Jon Dumitru
Dana Point	John Gabbard	Placentia	Craig Green
Fountain Valley	Kim Constantine	Rancho Santa Margarita	April Josephson
Fullerton	Shana Charles	San Juan Capistrano	John Taylor
Garden Grove	Stephanie Klopfenstein	Seal Beach	Nathan Steele
Huntington Beach	Pat Burns	Stanton	Gary Taylor
Irvine	Tammy Kim	Tustin	Rebecca Gomez
La Habra	James Gomez	Westminster	Amy Phan West
La Palma	Debbie S. Baker	County of Orange	Lisa Fernandez

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:**

Buena Park	Joyce Ahn	San Clemente	Steve Knoblock
Laguna Beach	Mark Orgill	Santa Ana	Nelida Mendoza
Laguna Niguel	Gene Johns	Villa Park	Crystal Miles
Los Alamitos	Tanya Doby	Yorba Linda	Peggy Huang
Mission Viejo	Bob Ruesch		

Trustees Ahn, Johns, Doby, Ruesch, Knoblock, Mendoza, Miles, and Huang, had a notified absence.

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

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

**A. Opening:**

1. **Call the Business Meeting to Order:** President Green called the meeting to order at 3:04 P.M.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** President Green asked Director of Operations Shepherd to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call:** Twenty-six Trustees were present out of the current Board membership of 35.

**B. Public Comments: None****C. Presentations:**

1. Staff gave a presentation entitled "And the Winner Is...2024 Communications Campaign Wrap Up"

**D. OCMVCD Committee Reports to the Board of Trustees:**

1. Policy & Personnel Committee: Committee Chair Pezold reported the committee went into closed session and gave direction to the District Manager. The item will be in the November board agenda.
2. Budget & Finance Committee: Committee Chair Hurt reported the committee had a presentation on a 5 year budget projection. The item will be in the November board agenda.

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

On motion from Trustee West, seconded by Trustee Pezold, and approved by unanimous vote, the Board of Trustees approved Consent Calendar Items E.2 through E.3. Agenda Item E.1 was passed by majority vote due to absences at the previous Board Meeting (Abstained: Trustees Hurt, Turpit, Peat, Kim, J. Gomez, and West).

Ayes: Trustees Hurt, Leon, Hupp, Turpit, Peat, Gabbard, Constantine, Charles, Klopfenstein, Burns, Kim, J. Gomez, Baker, Pezold, Horne, Pequeño, Weigand, Dumitru, Green, Josephson, J. Taylor, Steele, G. Taylor, R. Gomez, West, and Fernandez.

Noes: None.

Abstained: None.

Absent: Trustees Ahn, Orgill, Johns, Doby, Ruesch, Knoblock, Mendoza, Miles, and Huang.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approved, without reading, the minutes of 927<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Trustees held August 15, 2024.
2. **Approved Warrant Register for July 2024: (Exhibit A)** Received and filed.
3. **Approved Monthly Financial Report for July 2024: (Exhibit A)** Received and filed.

**F. Business Items:**

1. **Approved Cancelling the October 17, 2024 Board of Trustees Meeting and Adjourning to November 21, 2024: (Exhibit A)** On motion from Trustee J. Gomez, seconded by Trustee Klopfenstein, and approved by unanimous vote, the Board of Trustees approved cancelling the October 17, 2024 Board of Trustees meeting and adjourning to November 21, 2024.

Ayes: Trustees Hurt, Leon, Hupp, Turpit, Peat, Gabbard, Constantine, Charles, Klopfenstein, Burns, Kim, J. Gomez, Baker, Pezold, Horne, Pequeño, Weigand, Dumitru, Green, Josephson, J. Taylor, Steele, G. Taylor, R. Gomez, West, and Fernandez.

Noes: None.

Abstained: None.

Absent: Trustees Ahn, Orgill, Johns, Doby, Ruesch, Knoblock, Mendoza, Miles, and Huang.

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

1. **Staff Presentation:** District Manager Young gave an update on vector activity in Orange County.
2. **Staff Presentation:** Director of Operations Shepherd gave an update on operations activity in Orange County.
3. **Staff Presentation:** Director of Communications Jacobs gave an update on communications activity in Orange County.
4. Trustee Terms of Office to Expire January 6, 2025 at 11:59 AM: Receive and filed.

**H. President's Report and Trustee Comments:**

1. President Green reported that he attended the California Special District Association (CSDA) Annual Conference earlier in the month.

**I. District Manager's Report:** District Manager Young:

1. Thanked Director of Operations Shepherd for his years of service at the District.
2. Reminded Trustees if they wanted to attend the MVCAC Annual Conference in January 2025 they have to be reappointed to the board as soon as possible.
3. Listed committee meetings in October 2024.
4. Reported the Executive Assistant/Board Clerk Pett won Staff Person of the year for the CSDA Association.

**J. District Counsel Report: None****K. Correspondence: None****L. Future Agenda Items: None****M. Adjournment:**

1. President Green adjourned the meeting at 3:45 P.M. to a regular meeting on Thursday, November 21, 2024.

I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the actions taken by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held September 19, 2024.



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Lora B. Young, District Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at its 929<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Nine hundred and twenty-ninth meeting held November 21, 2024

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_



Robert Ruesch, Secretary