

MINUTES OF THE 917th MEETING

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

TIME: 3:00 P.M. August 17, 2023

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

PRESIDENT:	Peggy Huang	Yorba Linda
VICE PRESIDENT:	Craig Green	Placentia
SECRETARY:	Cecilia Hupp	Brea

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Aliso Viejo	Richard Hurt	Lake Forest	Robert Pequeño
Anaheim	Lucille Kring	Los Alamitos	Tanya Doby
Brea	Cecilia Hupp	Mission Viejo	Bob Ruesch
Buena Park	Joyce Ahn	Orange	Jon Dumitru
Costa Mesa	Bill Turpit	Placentia	Craig Green
Cypress	Bonnie Peat	Rancho Santa Margarita	April Josephson
Dana Point	John Gabbard	San Clemente	Steve Knoblock
Fountain Valley	Kim Constantine	San Juan Capistrano	John Taylor
Fullerton	Fred Jung	Santa Ana	Nelida Mendoza
Garden Grove	Stephanie Klopfenstein	Seal Beach	Nathan Steele
Huntington Beach	Mike Posey	Stanton	Gary Taylor
Irvine	Tammy Kim	Tustin	Rebecca Gomez
La Habra	James Gomez	Villa Park	Crystal Miles
La Palma	Debbie S. Baker	Westminster	Amy Phan West
Laguna Beach	Mark Orgill	Yorba Linda	Peggy Huang
Laguna Hills	Erika Pezold	County of Orange	Liz Guillen-Merchant
Laguna Niguel	Gene Johns		
Laguna Woods	Shari Horne		

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Newport Beach Erik Weigand

OTHERS PRESENT:

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

A. Opening:

1. **Call the Business Meeting to Order:** Vice President Green called the meeting to order at 3:02 P.M.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Vice President Green asked Trustee J. Gomez to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call:** Roll call indicated 34 Trustees were present out of the current Board membership of 35.

B. Public Comments: None

President Huang introduced the new Trustee from the city of Laguna Niguel.

C. Presentations:

1. Staff from OC Waste and Recycling gave a presentation
2. Staff gave a presentation entitled "Flea-Borne Typhus Update"

D. OCMVCD Committee Reports to the Board of Trustees:

1. Policy and Personnel Committee: Committee Chair R. Gomez reported that the committee discussed the updated job description for the Communications Specialist position and the update to the expense reimbursement policy.

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

On motion from Trustee Kring, seconded by Trustee Kim, and approved by unanimous vote, the Board of Trustees approved Consent Calendar Items E.2 through E.4 Agenda Item E.1 was passed by majority vote due to absences at the previous Board Meeting (Abstained: Trustees Hurt, Hupp, Gabbard, Horne, Mendoza, Steele, Miles, and West).

Ayes: Trustees Hurt, Kring, Hupp, Ahn, Turpit, Peat, Gabbard, Constantine, Jung, Klopfenstein, Posey, Kim, Baker, Orgill, Pezold, Johns, Horne, Pequeño, Doby, Ruesch, Dumitru, Green, Josephson, Knoblock, Mendoza, Steele, G. Taylor, R. Gomez, Miles, West, and Huang.

Noes: None.

Abstained: None.

Absent: Trustees J. Gomez, Weigand, J. Taylor, and Guillen-Merchant.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approved, without reading, the minutes of 916th Meeting of the Board of Trustees held June 15, 2023.
2. **Approved Warrant Register for May and June 2023: (Exhibit A, B)** Received and filed.
3. **Approved Monthly Financial Report for May and June 2023: (Exhibit A, B)** Received and filed.
4. **Adopted Resolution No. 563 Approving the Updated Job Description for the Communications Specialist Position: (Exhibit A, B, C)**

F. Business Items:

1. **Adopted Resolution No. 564 Approving Update to Policy No. 50: Expense Reimbursement Policy: (Exhibit A, B)** On motion from Trustee Posey, seconded by Trustee Jung, and approved by unanimous vote, the Board of Trustees approved Resolution No. 564 approving an update to Policy No. 50: Expense and Reimbursement Policy.

Ayes: Trustees Hurt, Kring, Hupp, Ahn, Turpit, Peat, Gabbard, Constantine, Jung, Klopfenstein, Posey, Kim, Baker, Orgill, Pezold, Johns, Horne, Pequeño, Doby, Ruesch, Dumitru, Green, Josephson, Knoblock, Mendoza, Steele, G. Taylor, R. Gomez, Miles, West, and Huang.

Noes: None.

Abstained: None.

Absent: Trustees J. Gomez, Weigand, J. Taylor, and Guillen-Merchant.

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:** Director of Communications Hyland gave an update of outreach activity in Orange County.
3. **Staff Presentation:** Director of Operations Shepherd gave an update of operations activity in Orange County.
4. **Received and Filed District White Paper on SIT Program – Included in agenda packet**
5. **Received and Filed Laboratory Reports – Included in agenda packet**

H. President's Report and Trustee Comments: None

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

1. The Board Room refresh
2. The District has hired a new Director of Human Resources, Sandra Vera
3. Director of Communications Heather Hyland is leaving the District
4. World Mosquito Day is August 20, 2023

J. District Counsel Report: District Counsel Burns reported:

1. Two cases were recently handed down dealing with hantavirus and typhus that allows for the District to have immunity about the decisions made regarding communicable diseases


K. Correspondence: None

L. Future Agenda Items: None

M. Adjournment:

1. President Huang adjourned the meeting at 4:18 P.M. to a regular meeting on Thursday, September 21, 2023.


I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the actions taken by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held August 17, 2023.



Lora B. Young, District Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at its _____ 918th

Nine hundred and eighteenth _____ meeting held _____ October 19, 2023

ATTEST: 

Cecilia Hupp, Secretary

CRAIG GREEN, VICE PRESIDENT