



VENTURA COUNTY

Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee

Sanger Hedrick, Chair, District 2; Scott Deardorff, District 1; Gordon Kimball, District 3; Patty Waters, District 4; Bobby Jones, District 5

MEETING MINUTES July 19th, 2023

1. 9:05 a.m. – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

Committee: Sanger Hedrick, District 2, Chair
Scott Deardorff, District 1
Lisa Tate, District 3
Josh Waters, District 4
Bobby Jones, District 5

Staff/Others Present: Committee members, Ed Williams, Alec Thille, & Miriam Mendez from the County of Ventura were present; other County staff, members of the public, and representatives of interested parties participated via Zoom.

3. CORRESPONDENCE
Staff-County Counsel guidance: new APAC members could approve for archival minutes for meetings with retired committee members & due to only 2 members being present June 14th no meeting of the APAC to be called, a staff report could be prepared in lieu of meeting minutes.
4. COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS
None.
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Motion: Approve agenda as presented.
By Jones, seconded by Deardorff
Vote: 5-0
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
Ron Whitehurst: The Ventura County Fairgrounds is hosting the Heirloom Expo, a celebration of traditional foods, September 12th, 13th, & 14th

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Approve for archival the minutes of the June 15, 2022 Meeting

By Jones, seconded by Deardorff

Vote: 5-0

Minutes of the January 13, 2023 Meeting

By Deardorff, seconded by Hedrick

Vote: 5-0

Minutes of the February 8, 2023 Meeting

By Deardorff, seconded by Hedrick

Vote: 5-0

Minutes of the April 12, 2023 Meeting

By Deardorff, seconded by Jones

Vote: 5-0

8. PRESENTATION/ACTION

A. Elections of the Committee Chair and Vice Chair.

- Public Comment: None.
- Motion: Nominate and elect the current Chair and Vice Chair for their respective positions.
By Jones, seconded by Deardorff
Vote: 4-0 (Hedrick abstain)

B. Maureen McGuire, CEO of the Farm Bureau of Ventura County, presented for discussion an update on proposed changes to LA Regional Water Board rules as they affect Ventura County agriculture.

- No public comments.
- No action taken.

C. Committee discussed a Resolution to honor Gordon Kimball and Patty Waters for their service as APAC members.

- No public comments.
- No action.

D. Committee discussed a Resolution to honor Commissioner/Sealer Ed Williams for his service as Ventura County Agricultural Commissioner.

- No public comments.
- No action.

E. Agriculture/Weights & Measures staff presented a department update on activities and programs important to Ventura County agriculture.

- No public comments.
- No action.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

A. APAC Members

Proposals for future agenda items:

None.

B. Staff

Proposals for future agenda items:

- APAC review of LCA contract applications.

10. Meeting adjourned by Sanger Hedrick at 10:50 a.m.