

MINUTES  
PUNA SWCD DIRECTOR'S BOARD MEETING  
February 12, 2020  
9:30a.m. - W.H. Shipman Office - Keaau

The board meeting of the Puna Soil and Water Conservation District was called to order by Chairman Oliver English at 9:35a.m. @ the W.H. Shipman office in Keaau.

Present:

Directors: Oliver English (OE), Aileen Yeh (AY), Leanne Okamoto (LO), Atto Assi (AA)

Others: Conservationist Specialist; Jennifer Reavis, District Secretary/Conservation Aide; Peter Field, Kirk Gadzia, others.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (9:35a)

Meeting minutes was circulated and placed on file. Approved. AA/LO

TREASURER'S REPORT (9:37a)

Report given and circulated. No changes. Approved. AA/AY

COOPERATOR CANCELLATION (9:39a)

1. Kristin Heid - 50 acres. Cooperator cancelled. AA/AY

CORRESPONDENCE (9:40a)

1. FSA info.
4. Resource Magazine
5. NACD info.

REPORTS (9:40a)

A. D.C. Report (9:40a) - (1) A monthly report for the Hilo Field office was given & circulated. This included updates, upcoming training, special projects, personnel changes and Farm Bill info. This was placed on file.

B. FSA Report (9:42a) - (1) All info that Lester sent via email is circulated at today's meeting. Chris gave an update & explained this in detail. (2) Chris reported that Lester Ueda will be retiring in June.

C. BIRCD Report (9:45a) - (1) Aileen and Chris attended the last meeting. The different projects were discussed and explained in detail. There will be an upcoming BIRCD conference.

D. HACD Report (10:05a) - (1) The NACD Annual meeting is going on now in Las Vegas, Nevada. (2) The upcoming HACD Annual meeting will be held in Hilo on June 17-19<sup>th</sup>. An idea was to hold it in Volcano. This will be discussed at the next HACD qly meeting.

E. Reports (10:10a) - (1) District Employee Report. This was given by Ryan and Meghan. It was circulated and placed on file.

F. Open Forum (10:13a) - (1) Chris asked if there is any information about the Farm Bureau and bills in legislature, etc. She will contact them directly.

OTHER BUSINESS (10:15a)

A. Other New Business

1. Issues - there was discussion about the long-horn beetle.
2. Subdivison Review - Malaika T. Maphalala, etal - no comments sent to the County.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:24a.m

Respectfully submitted,

/s/LEANNE OKAMOTO  
Secretary

Recording Secretary: Jennifer Reavis