

## MINUTES

### PUNA SWCD DIRECTOR'S BOARD MEETING

February 10, 2021

9:30a.m. - W.H. Shipman Office - Keaau

The board meeting of the Puna Soil and Water Conservation District was called to order by Vice Chairman Aileen Yeh at 9:36am. @ the W.H. Shipman office in Keaau.

#### Present:

Directors: Aileen Yeh (AY), Leanne Okamoto (LO), Elton Mow (EM)

Others: Kori Hisashima, District Conservationist; Meghan Mulley, Soil Conservationist; Ryan Belcher, Soil Conservationist; Jennifer Reavis, District Secretary/Conservation Aide; Chris Corley, others.

#### MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (9:36a)

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

#### TREASURER'S REPORT (9:38a)

Given by Leanne. No changes. Circulated and placed on file.

#### CORRESPONDENCE (9:39a)

\*sent via email

#### REPORTS (9:40a)

A. D.C. Report (9:40a) - (1) The monthly report for the Hilo Field Office was given by Kori. Updates on personnel changes, deadlines, project info, presentation, training, emergency programs, Farm Bill update, etc. was given. (2) There was a Targeted Conservation Delivery round table that was held. Kori will look over this discussion and report back to the district.

B. FSA Report (9:47a) - (1) All info that FSA sends via email is forwarded to SWCD directors. (2) Kori reported that due to the recent volcanic activity, people are reporting that their fencing is showing signs of vog corrosion. If anyone is being affected by this, please report it to FSA. FSA may be willing to open up the ECP program.

C. BIRCD Report (9:50a) - (1) There was a BIRCD meeting held in January. The different projects were discussed. This included sustainability summit discussion. Regarding the mobile slaughterhouse project – all payments have been terminated and that project is on its own. (2) Elections were held, Pepe Miranda is the new secretary. (3) Koki sprayers were discussed. The County is still giving out vouchers for citric acid.

D. HACD Report (9:53a)- (1) Nothing to report.

E. Reports (9:53a) - (1) District Employee Report. The district planners are working on the

new Farm Bill programs.

OTHER BUSINESS (9:56a)

A. Other New Business

1. Issues – (a) Mahiai scale up closes this Friday. If anyone wants to apply, go online and apply at [ksbe.edu/mahiai](http://ksbe.edu/mahiai) or contact Leanne at KSBE.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:59a

Respectfully submitted,

/s/LEANNE OKAMOTO  
Secretary

Recording Secretary: Jennifer Reavis