Stanislaus County
Agricultural Advisory Board

MINUTES
June 07, 2021
8:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:
Gordon Heinrich   Ed Perry
Arby Hoobyar     Stan Sinclair
Jim Mortensen    Tom Orvis

Board Members Absent:
Carlos Estacio    Brandi LoForti
Jennifer Heguy    Wayne Zipser

Ex-Officio Board Members:
Patrick Cavanah, Environmental Resources – Present
Kamaljit Bagri, Agricultural Commissioner – Present
Diana Waller, USDA-NRCS – Absent
Supervisor Channce Condit – Present
Supervisor Vito Chiesa – Present

I. CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 8:04 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
There was no public comment.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 1, 2021, MEETING
The minutes of the February 1, 2021, meeting were presented by the Chairman. The members were asked to consider the minutes for approval, and action was taken as follows:

Motion: Gordon Heinrich
Second: Arby Hoobyar
Vote: Unanimous
V. STANISLAUS & TUOLUMNE RIVER UPDATES

Representatives from the Turlock and Oakdale Irrigation Districts provided information on the flow of water in the river channels and how the below average water year affects watershed storage and the 2021 irrigation season. TID outlined some of their drought efforts and highlighted their enhanced Online Water Ordering System.

A copy of the presentation materials can be found on the County’s website at http://www.stanag.org/ag-advisory-board.shtm

VI. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The nominating committee, comprised of Arby Hoobyar, Jim Mortensen and Ed Perry, presented the following nominations:

Chairperson – Tom Orvis
Vice Chair – Wayne Zipser

The floor was open for additional nominations, none were received, and a motion was made to accept the nominations.

Election of Officers

It was M/S/P (unanimous) that Tom Orvis be elected to Chairman of the Agricultural Advisory Board for the term July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022.

It was M/S/P (unanimous) that Wayne Zipser be elected as Vice-Chairman of the Agricultural Advisory Board for the term July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022.

VII. ROUNDTABLE

Members provided general comments, program updates, and upcoming events and activities in their respective organizations.

VIII. NEXT MEETING

A. Meeting Date/Time:

Due to the July 4th holiday, the next scheduled meeting is August 2, 2021, at 8:00 a.m. at the Stanislaus County Agricultural Center, 3800 Cornucopia Way, Modesto, CA.

B. Agenda Items:

None