



Tehachapi Resource Conservation District

Conserving and Enhancing Our Natural Resources and Environment

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Draft BOARD MEETING Minutes for March 13, 2026

1. **Call to Order:** At 6:20 pm by President Duggan
2. **Roll Call:** Present: Directors Barraclough, Hammond, Fulks (attended to 7:20 p.m.) and Casdorff. Staff: Ryan Richardson NRCS: Absent. Public: Marissa Folsie, cofounder, Guardians Around the Earth.
3. **Nuwaa Acknowledgement**
4. **Agenda change:** None
5. **Public:** Ms. Folsie, cofounder, Guardians Around the Earth, is promoting “Art for the Trees” event. This group promotes environmental education and helps urban and wild trees. Been in Tehachapi for 20 years. Asked the Board for a sponsorship; possibly 30 to 100 acorns.
6. **Minutes:** Director Fulks made a motion to approve February 13, 2026 minutes with corrections. Director Barraclough second. All ayes.
7. **Financial Report:** Reviewed checking account. Director Barraclough presented bank statement from February, 2026. Grant account has \$48,174.26. Main account has \$17,388.43. Kern Fund before transfer of \$30,840.33 of the \$48,174. \$22,000 is still owed us. Asked the Board to determine if we want to keep this money owed us as a buffer for our cash flow problem? Audit: Director Duggan helped Director Barraclough on phone call with auditor.
8. **NRCS Report:** none
9. **Staff Report:** Mr. Richardson gave his report. He had been at Indian Hills for a fence inspection. Sarah, from NRCS, is working on her JAA (Job Approval Authority), so she can certify practices.
10. **New Business:**
 - a) CSDA has discounts for RCDs such as free business prime membership and a \$5000 line of credit.
 - b) High Desert meeting is the 25th.
11. **Old Business:**
 - a) **TA 2025 Grant:** Not awarded yet.
 - b) **TA 2024 and NRCS Grant:** NRCS may amend our existing grant and give us more money. Director Casdorff gave NRCS a letter for amendment.
 - c) **Plant Sale:** Will FIELD help us help us? Have to contact them. We will purchase 2 more carts for the sale. We will get a donated ADA bathroom for our Sale from Waste Management.
 - d) **College Facilities Agreement:** Draft given to the Board to review before approval.
 - e) **Trees for Schools.** It is still ongoing.
 - f) **Logo:** Still pursuing local artist to draw one.
 - g) **Nursery:** Staff has started watering plants due to lack of rain.
 - h) **Ecological Center:** Staff has cleaned attic. Many holes for rain in roof and window.
 - i) **Volunteer quarterly event:** Nothing planned yet. May need them for plant sale.
12. **Board Comments:** none
13. **Adjourn:** Director Casdorff
14. made motion to adjourn. Director Barraclough s second. All ayes. Adjourned 8:00 pm.