

**HEREFORD NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (HNRCD)
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**Thursday, August 19, 2021
Palominas Fire District Training Center Facility
9222 S Kings Ranch Rd, Hereford, AZ 85615**

A. Call to Order

Chair John Ladd called the meeting to order 5:05 P.M.

B. Introductions, Roll Call, and Housekeeping

Board Present: John Ladd, Chair, Lucinda Earven, Vice-Chair (arrived 5:19 P.M.), Steve Boice, Supervisor, and Jim Lindsey Supervisor, Pat Call, Supervisor.

Board Absent: None

Others Present:

Joanne Roberts, HNRCD Clerk of the Board

Ivette Cunningham, HNRCD Board Advisor (by telephone)

Chuck Cunningham, HNRCD Board Advisor (by telephone)

Don Decker, NRCS Douglas Field Office, District Conservationist

Tricia Gerodette, Public (by telephone)

A quorum was met.

C. Call to the Public

A.R.S. 38-431.01 authorizes the Board to make an open call to the public during a public meeting, to allow individuals to address the Board on any issue within the jurisdiction of the public body. The time will be limited to three minutes per speaker.

No comments were made.

D. Review and Approval of Minutes

1. Regular Meeting July 15, 2021

Motion: Supervisor Boice moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of July 19, 2021.

Second: Supervisor Lindsey seconded the motion.

Vote: Carried unanimously.

Discussion: None

E. Agency and Committee Reports

1. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

Mr. Don Decker provided an NRCS Activity Report and Arizona drought map handout and he proceeded to review the drought rating and severity forecast for areas throughout the Hereford District.

Chair Ladd asked if anyone was opposed to moving to Agenda Items G4 and G5 under Old Business because Mr. Decker is involved with these items but he is unable to stay for the entire meeting. With no objections, Chair Ladd opened the discussion under Old Business. A full report of the discussion is listed under these Agenda Items in this document.

2. Bureau of Land Management (BLM, Bureau)

No one present to report but Mr. Eric Baker provided an email update prior to the meeting. Chair Ladd proceeded with the update.

- SPRNCA grazing lease renewals. The Bureau addressed all the substantive comments received and are in the process of drafting the rest of the Environmental Assessment.
- Mr. Emilio Corella and Mr. Baker will be able to provide a bigger update for the September meeting on the planned fencing workshop.
- The Bureau's field office was able to secure money to purchase fencing materials to issue to neighboring landowners to help in maintenance. Mr. Baker does not have a timeframe but will defiantly keep everyone updated.

Ms. Roberts noted that she had been working directly with Mr. Corella on the fencing workshop and was unaware that he was working with Mr. Baker. Ms. Roberts has since sent Mr. Baker the preliminary agenda and he is up to date with what was discussed by the Board prior to this meeting.

3. Cochise Conservation and Recharge Network (CCRN)

Supervisor Call noted there would be a meeting sometime in September and that he notified Ms. Julie McKenna, that he will be representing the HNRCD at these meetings. He also noted the CCRN five-year plan was released and can be found on their website or in the Library.

4. Fort Huachuca Sentinel Landscape Restoration Partnership (SLRP)

Chair Ladd stated Ms. Amber Morin attended the AACD Conference and participated in the discussions on the NRCS programs. He stated he believed the FHSL program may utilize some of the NRCS programs.

5. Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management (ADFFM) - No one present to report.

6. Arizona State Land Department (ASLD) – No one present to report.

7. Arizona Association of Conservation Districts (AACD) – No one present to report.

8. San Pedro NCA Uplands and Grazing Working Group

Chair Ladd has difficulty when responding to meeting "Doodle" calls and will have a hard time meeting with this group using "Zoom." He asks Supervisor Lindsey if he will be attending these meetings individually. Supervisor Lindsey replied positively. The next meeting date and time is to be determined.

9. Upper San Pedro Partnership (USPP)

Vice-Chair Earven had no update. Ms. Roberts reminded the Board the purpose for keeping the USPP report on this month's agenda was in follow-up to an email sent to Vice-Chair Earven from Mr. Bruce Gungle of the USGS that was discussed at last months' meeting.

Supervisor Call informed the Board that the request was pro-forma for a water budget report that needs updating. He further stated he was in contact with Mr. Gungle and indicated, based on the previous discussion by this

Board, that for his (Mr. Gungle's) report, he could use a figure of 40% reduction in cattle population until he received a formal response from this group. He further noted, he informed Mr. Gungle this was a conversational estimate not based on any study or survey. Mr. Call also stated he had conversation with cattle ranchers in northern Arizona and they thought 40% was reasonable as well due to the drought.

Supervisor Lindsey asked if the Board wants to formulate a response through Ms. Roberts and make it official. Chair Ladd noted that we could safely say there has been 40% reduction in cattle population in the Sierra Vista sub-watershed. Ms. Roberts indicated she has Mr. Gungle's contact information. She will draft a letter and send it out to the Board for review before finalizing and sending it to Mr. Gungle.

Some discussion on which, if any, other NRCDS are in the Sierra Vista sub-watershed and the natural boundary of the watershed.

F. District Financial Reports

1. Financial Reports—File for Audit June 2021

Motion: Supervisor Lindsey moved to file the June 2021 Financial Reports for audit.
Second: Vice-Chair Earven Lucinda seconded the motion.
Vote: Carried unanimously.
Discussion: None

2. Payment Schedule July 2021

Motion: Supervisor Call moved to approve items 1-7.
Second: Supervisor Lindsey seconded the motion.
Vote: Carried unanimously.
Discussion: None

G. Old Business

1. Discussion and update on Type of In- memoriam Dedication for Mike Hayhurst

Vice-Chair Earven stated she was tasked to investigate cement benches and found they ranged from \$125.00 to \$450.00 with or without a back that will hold three or four "kids." She further noted they also have metal benches but felt a cement bench was more substantial. Vice-Chair Earven said the benefit of having a back would be a good place for the brass plaque they discussed. She took a photo of the bench she preferred and shared it with the Board. Chair Ladd inquired on the price of the bench and Vice-Chair Earven replied, "\$450.00."

Vice-Chair Earven was also asked to come up with some language for the plaque and noted she thought it should be short and proposed the following; "A Coach Guides and Empowers His Students, Mike Hayhurst 1941-2021." She informed the Board the school will be holding a dedication ceremony on October 22, 2021 where they will name the football field in Mike's honor.

Supervisor Lindsey spoke with Mr. David Thursby regarding the dedication and he (Mr. Thursby) thought the football field and the HNRCD memorial should be combined. The bench should already be in place and the tree planted. HNRCD would do a small presentation with Chair Ladd and unveil the bench.

Further discussion on the construction of the preferred bench, placement, anchoring the bench, and the budget for the memorial.

Supervisor Boice inquired about the placement of the tree next to the bench, adequate water supply, and types of, if any, other vegetation that may be near the tree because of different water requirements. Supervisor Lindsey stated he would be meeting with Mr. Thursby at the school to look at a proposed location. He will also investigate a plaque and cost with engraving. Supervisor Call suggested that the Board should put a hold on the preferred bench to insure we do not have to order one if that is all they have in stock. Vice-Chair Earven agreed and will follow up with the vendor.

Supervisor Boice passed around a picture of a recommended species of oak that will do well in our elevation. The grower recommends a 7-foot (25-gallon) *Quercus fusiformis* (Joan Lionetti Live Oak) which is a cultivated species. Supervisor Boice further described the available sizes of and costs for this species. He further stated the costs are for pick-up at the nursery in Tucson and that he would be happy to pick it up and deliver it to Tombstone HS. Further discussion on planting directions and water and nutrient requirements.

Supervisor Lindsey asks again about the plaque wording and Vice-Chair Earven repeated what was proposed earlier with the addition of the word “coach” before Mike’s name. There was a consensus for, “A Coach Guides and Empowers His Students, Coach Mike Hayhurst 1941-2021.” Further discussion on delivery logistics of the bench.

- Motion:** Supervisor Call moved to approve up to \$1200.00 for a memorial bench, an engraved plaque, and a tree.
- Second:** Supervisor Lindsey seconded the motion.
- Vote:** Carried unanimously.
- Discussion:** Some discussion on size of the plaque, getting measurements on the back of bench, follow-up and coordinating with the city and high school for placement of everything. Supervisor Lindsey will be out of town until after August 25 and will coordinate with everyone after he gets back. Chair Ladd stated he believes we are in a good position with the timeline.

Mr. Decker left the meeting at 6:15 P.M.

Advisors Ivette and Chuck Cunningham left the meeting at 6:17 P.M.

2. Review/Discuss updates to the Draft Policy Guidelines for Funding Student SAE, 4-H, and Small Landowner Projects Using Local District Monies

Ms. Roberts stated she followed up with the other District Education Coordinators as directed by the Board at last month’s meeting. She also stated she spoke with Ms. Deborrah Smith and Sharma Torrens from AACD. She proceeded to inform the Board that no other District is using a process such as the one proposed for HNRCD or that any other District gives their education fund to a program in the same way that HNRCD has done historically. She further stated she was informed by Ms. Smith the Districts that provide funds to organizations do so with no written direction or commitment. Ms. Smith also noted, that some are working on creating a contract for giving funds to programs such as FFA and Envirothon but nothing is in place at this time. Ms. Smith sees tremendous value in what the District has proposed with the guidelines and application process and asked once the HNRCD Board has a finalized application and approves, she would like to share it with the other Districts in the state as a possible template. Ms. Roberts informed the Board of her communications with Sharma Torrens, Heather Lee, Dawn Salcito and few other individuals from the Education Committee who shared with Ms. Roberts the same information provided by Ms. Smith.

Chair Ladd asked if the presentations that other Districts spend their funds are for in- classroom presentations. Ms. Roberts replied that many of the Districts have adopted a hybrid of virtual and in-person presentations. Chair

Ladd asked if a motion needed to be taken to release the deliberative document to Ms. Smith to share with other Districts. Ms. Roberts replied negatively. She stated that by consensus if the Board agrees to share it with others, it is with the understanding that it is deliberative and under review and consideration to adopt as a policy.

Vice-Chair Earven asks if the Board has seen the draft guidelines. Ms. Roberts replied positively. A copy of the original draft was sent and after the initial review by the Board, a second copy was sent with the changes to be discussed at last month's meeting. It was at last month's meeting, Supervisor Lindsey asked Ms. Roberts to investigate other District processes before moving forward. Vice-Chair stated she thought it would be alright to share with other Districts.

Ms. Roberts asked if the Board needs the revised document sent to them again and if they are going to proceed with adopting a policy. She further stated that the document is in a review process where the Board needs to look at the details to determine if they agree with the amounts of how much should be approved for Administrative costs, materials, or the minimum/maximum of amount of project, etc. Supervisor Lindsey stated he would like to have Ms. Roberts resend the document(s). Chair Ladd stated he thought the previous consensus was that it was too strict and Supervisor Lindsey agreed with that statement. Chair Ladd further noted that there must be more accountability to which everyone agreed. Supervisor Call restated to send out the documents again and keep it on the September Agenda. Ms. Roberts reminded the Board that if they believed it is too strict or onerous that they should recommend another format that they believe will work better for the purposes of having a fund distribution guideline and accountability and feedback from the applicant.

Supervisor Call asked if the document, as is, will be shared before the Board finalizes the policy. Ms. Roberts stated that it has already been shared with Ms. Smith because of a discussion at the June BOS meeting. She was asked to review and provide comment during the first round of reviews and subsequently, her feedback in response to the Board's inquiry on what other Districts are doing. However, Ms. Smith will not share it with others until she has heard back from us.

3. Report on Annual Plans of Work and Annual Reports for ASLD

Chair Ladd notes that the plans and reports are completed and accepted. He further stated they will be posted to the Districts website with a little re-formatting.

4. Status Co-Hosting Small Land Owner Workshops Fencing/Other types of Workshops Coordination with BLM and Friends of the San Pedro River, Others?

Ms. Roberts opened the discussion with Ms. Cunningham. Ms. Roberts reviewed how the idea of the fencing workshop came about and who the partners that are involved with the project. She further provided a review of the Preliminary Agenda that was drafted and provided a handout to the Supervisors.

During the discussion, Chair Ladd noted that he was not in favor of targeting high school agriculture students for this workshop. Ms. Roberts indicated that maybe a second workshop that Bureau of Land Management could hold if they desired to enlist that age group for future volunteer fence projects. Ms. Roberts reminded the Board that the Agenda is preliminary and their feedback is needed. She noted that the Friends of San Pedro River (FSPR) Board has not met since we began discussing this workshop partnership so our liaison with the group, Ms. Renell Stewart, has not provided a formal full review to their Board.

Chair Ladd asked about the list of tools listed on the Preliminary Agenda and thought just a few things were missing. He noted the Agenda does address reporting of trespass cattle and provided an example draft reporting document. Chair Ladd thought overall it was a good start on what is needed and is being addressed in the topics listed in the Preliminary Agenda.

Ms. Roberts asked Mr. Decker if NRCS has a reporting form and stated if NRCS or the Bureau of Land Management (Bureau) does have an existing form that can be used for the purposes of this program, then they could be adapted for the public instead of using the draft reporting form that was put forward. Mr. Decker responded negatively.

Chair Ladd continued to review the topics as presented and the requirement of using the Bureau's fencing specs for fencing. He further noted that he believed 42 – inches from the ground is not tall enough. Ms. Roberts stated that she believed the specs that would be demonstrated are those that were identified in the recent Grazing Lease Renewal documents. Chair Ladd noted the demonstration portion needs to be clarified. Ms. Roberts stated that discussion to date about the demonstration revolved around maintenance of a small section of an existing fence on the SPRNCA, most likely close to the San Pedro House, to get people familiar with what it takes to do fence maintenance. After the workshop, through the monitoring program, fence maintenance, replacement, or addition would be a proposed work project facilitated through the Bureau and private landowners. The HNRCD would not be adopting a fence or facilitating these work sessions.

Supervisor Boice asked about the materials that are going to be used for fence repair. Chair Ladd noted that would be part of the workshop discussion and should be identified under the equipment list. Further discussion on the materials and safety training.

Mr. Decker stated he would like to discuss NRCS's position on fencing since it is a conservation management practice for his program. He further stated that fencing is not always used as an exclusionary technique. Also, he would like to discuss the various types of fences within their specs that may differ slightly from the Bureau's. Most likely this could be added under Agenda "Best Management "range" Fencing Practices item 1. Mr. Decker also stated that volunteers really need to have a clear idea of the SPRNCA boundaries and should be supplied with scaled maps. Further discussion on the SPRNCA boundaries, SPRNCA grazing permittee boundaries and deeded areas.

Ms. Roberts noted that there will be a follow up call between the partners hopefully sometime at the end of August. Supervisor Lindsey and Chair Ladd stated they should be on the call. Some discussion on the challenges addressing fence maintenance on the border and water crossings with the three - strand fence to capture the debris and the various agency fence specs.

5. Erosion Control Small Acreage Land Owner Workshop

Ms. Roberts noted that this is the workshop proposed to be hosted on the Cunningham property but there has not been any communication between the Cunningham's and Mr. Decker since the last Board meeting. Mr. Decker noted that we could re-do the erosion control "CANTER" workshop that was done several years ago. He stated you could cover topics like range condition and watershed issues. A suitable drainage would need to be identified, all materials and any excavation would need to be pre-staged.

Ms. Cunningham informed the Board and Mr. Decker about the soil erosion (sheet flow) occurring now because of the recent monsoon. Some discussion on water interception (mechanical, physical barrier), contour ripping, seeding and rock construction techniques. Mr. Decker stated these can be discussed at the workshop and/or be the demonstration portion of the workshop. This may limit the hands-on portion of a workshop. Further discussion on upland erosion management such as brush treatment.

Ms. Roberts noted that she and Ms. Cunningham will need further coordination and contact partners, line up a farm tractor, order seed, rocks for check dams, and Mr. Decker would conduct a site visit to the Cunningham property to help conceptualize what would take place.

H. New Business

1. Consent Agenda Format

Chair Ladd opened the discussion by describing how a Consent Agenda is used. He further stated he would like to approve the use of the Consent Agenda format for future meetings.

- Motion:** Supervisor Call moved to approve the Consent Agenda format for future meetings.
Second: Supervisor Lindsey seconded the motion.
Vote: Carried unanimously.
Discussion: Vice-Chair Earven stated she was a little confused and Chair Ladd reviewed the purpose, gave an example, and noted how it is a time saver for meeting schedules.

The motion remains unchanged.

2. Resolution and Policy Review

- Motion:** Supervisor Call moved to approve what the work group did and sent out.
Second: Supervisor Lindsey seconded the motion.
Vote: Carried unanimously.
Discussion: Vice-Chair Earven asked if the recommendations had been sent out to the Board. Chair Ladd responded positively. Supervisor Lindsey asked if a vote to approve them will take place next month. Chair Ladd stated he thought most policies (resolutions) are still pertinent except for the reintroduction of wolves' resolution. Others were tweaked to be brought up to date. Ms. Roberts and Supervisor Boice noted that there were some resolutions/policies recommended to be rescinded because the laws have changed or are irrelevant. Chair Ladd is very comfortable with the work and asked the Board to approve.

The motion remains unchanged.

3. Participation in Cochise County Fair Discussion

Supervisor Lindsey asked if we were approached by the Fair Committee. Ms. Roberts replied negatively. After noting that the San Pedro Spirits 4-H club members will be showing their stock, Ms. Roberts contacted Chair Ladd and asked if it would be worth participating (have a booth) to support the students.

Further discussion on past participation, public interest, and outcome from the effort and who would be willing to sit at booth for three days.

- Motion:** Supervisor Call moved not to participate in the fair this year.
Second: Supervisor Boice seconded the motion.
Vote: Carried unanimously.
Discussion: Brief discussion on cost of entry, booth fees, Hereford banner and signage, change in fair management, and lack of public interest.

The motion remains unchanged.

4. Meeting Location, Day of the Week, and Times Discussion

Chair Ladd stated that there has not been as much participation in the meetings since moving the time to the afternoon. He further stated that the agencies have not participated on the phone or in-person. He asked if the

Board met bi-annually at the Foothills complex whether that would generate better participation from the agencies. He further stated he did not believe it would generate any change in Cooperator or public participation. He also thought that a quarterly meeting might work but the conference room has since changed into a classroom. There may still be a possibility to use it if our reservation request does not interrupt the classroom schedule. Chair Ladd continued and proposed a morning quarterly meeting at Palominas and the other months stay with the afternoon schedule. Vice-Chair Earven asked for clarification on number of meetings to confirm there will not be four additional meetings. Chair Ladd responded positively.

Supervisor Lindsey stated he thought the Board has lost touch with the agencies by having the afternoon meeting and would recommend a quarterly morning schedule. Vice-Chair Earven stated that an increase effort to notify agencies of the morning meetings will be needed. Supervisor Call recommended implementing the proposed meeting schedule for one year then reassess.

Chair Ladd suggested the quarterly meeting take place January, April, July, September and noted typically the Board does not meet in December. Supervisor Lindsey agreed that it fits in the District's physical year. Vice-Chair Earven asked if they, the quarterly meetings, could be scheduled at the Sierra Vista Library. Brief discussion on the pros and cons of meeting at the Library. It was noted the meeting time, location, and day will remain the same until the end of this year. Vice-Chair Earven asked that we explore the use of the small library meeting room beginning in January.

- Motion:** Supervisor Call moved to have four quarterly meetings during the day and tentatively they will be at the Palominas Fire District (PFD) Training Center while Ms. Roberts explores the use of the Sierra Vista Library meeting room.
- Second:** Supervisor Earven seconded the motion.
- Vote:** Carried unanimously.
- Discussion:** Ms. Roberts asked for clarification. She confirmed the remainder of this year's meetings stays at this location and at 5:00 P.M. Supervisor Call confirmed. She further stated she will need to inquire with the PFD that four meetings in 2022 can be scheduled at 9:30 A.M. Ms. Roberts also asked to confirm the day of the week in the new year and Chair Ladd stated he was available on Thursdays and prefers not to change it back to Wednesday. Supervisor Call also stated that in December, we should contact the Agencies.

The motion remains unchanged.

5. Annual AACD Conference Report

Chair Ladd noted he attended the conference on Monday and Ms. Roberts attended three days. He further stated that he participated in the Range Committee where they discussed the 30 x 30 issue. He noted Representative Gail Griffin participated and has language to present for a state bill. The AACD Committee is responding by presenting our vote against the 30x30 to the NACD. The vote was unanimous against the legislation. There was also a fair amount of conversation on conservation easements and that was left unresolved. One of the bigger issues against conservation easements is the "in perpetuity" language versus "generational" language. The OHV language was also discussed where there is a lot more and serious issues with OHV vehicle and user property damage north of Tucson. The vote was to form a sub-committee to work with law enforcement statewide to assign an officer specifically focused on OHV violations including natural resource damage on private and public lands. Representative Griffin participated in the OHV discussion but it is all about funding.

Ms. Roberts noted the various committees that each of the Districts is assigned. She stated Chair Ladd had wanted to discuss which committee Hereford might want to be assigned to. Chair Ladd stated that he was

unaware of when or why Districts were assigned to which committee. Supervisor Lindsey inquired whether a District could attend a different committee from the one they are assigned to. Chair Ladd responded only if another Board member is available to attend the assigned committee. Further discussion on representation on multiple committees or identify a preferable committee. Also, discussion ensued regarding the participation of the Board at the annual AACD meeting for voting purposes as well as the committee meetings during the year. Chair Ladd stated that you need to be on a committee to attend the meetings and be informed about the individual committee policies. He continued to state that he believes each Supervisor should be on one of AACD Committees. For example, before the conference, the 30 x 30 committee met twice by phone and limited the discussion to 1.5 hours. Supervisor Call asked if the purpose of this discussion is for each Supervisor to participate in one of the committees. Chair Ladd believes that every Supervisor should attend at least the first day of the Conference and stated that he always gets a lot out of the meeting and has a great appreciation for the work the AACD does. Supervisor Lindsey asked if by reading the draft prior to the conference meeting, that we would not have enough information to vote. Chair Ladd stated that you understand the position of the committee through the committee meetings/calls. Ms. Roberts noted that the draft document was prepared specifically for the Conference. She was unaware that it could be distributed before the conference vote.

Ms. Roberts reported on the discussion that took place in the Education Committee. Chair Ladd had asked that she sit in on this committee at the Conference. She stated that there was much confusion and miscommunication between the Districts and AACD and their role (AACDs) on generating grant monies for the Districts. She reported that Ms. Torrens is being reassigned but what her new role is not known at this time. She reminded the Board the last time Ms. Smith was at this BOS meeting in June, she stated anything to do with education and workshops that we should reach out to her and she would assign follow-up to one of her staff if needed. Ms. Smith clarified the District's responsibilities in acquiring grants and how AACD approaches grant applications. A brief discussion on the EPA grant and when the money needs to be released to the District. Ms. Smith noted that AACD was not going to apply for this specific grant again because agriculture does not really fit in their criteria.

It was also noted that Keisha Tatum attended and provided information on funding allocation and reiterated the message that Districts (and ranchers) need to look for other funding sources outside of the EQIP funds. Some discussion on NRCS funding source and how it is being reallocated for new programs like the urban conservation gardens.

6. Determine Open Meeting Law Training Dates and Times for September 2021

Chair Ladd stated the Board needs to determine training dates. Ms. Roberts reminded the Board that this training was presented by Ms. Jackie Thomas originally and was to include WWD and SP NRCDs. The other NRCDs basically said that HNRCD should just schedule what is convenient for them and if they could attend they would. She (Ms. Roberts) also reminded them (the Board), they had asked for an in-person training rather than to review a video. Chair Ladd and Vice-Chair Earven stated they could not attend a training after the third week in September. Chair Ladd stated he would like it scheduled sometime in the first two weeks of September. Ms. Robert will contact Ms. Thomas and report back.

I. Education Program

1. Tombstone High School Ag Program

Supervisor Lindsey read an update that Ms. Amber Ford, THS Ag teacher sent before the meeting.

- This school year we have been fully in person, and we've got a great start to the semester! For this semester in our Ag 3 class we have 9, in Ag 1 we have 25, and in Ag 2 we have 11. For next semester

we currently have 32 in Ag 1, 24 in Ag 2, and 7 in Ag 4. For the total program, we are sitting at about 98 students.

- We are very excited for a lot of the activities we have planned for this school year! I am very excited to share our Program of Activities (our schedule of FFA events) with you all whenever I am able to come give an update in person. We are also planning on going to FFA National Convention in Indianapolis this October. As we've spoken about in the past, we would like to use a part of the money we were given from the NRCD to pay for hotel rooms, flights, and registration for the event. I know that receipts after we have paid is something we need to provide for you all, I was just wondering if there's anything you would like ahead of those payments being made. Our program would like to make sure we are utilizing the money and reporting it the way it needs to be done.

Discussion on appropriate use of state education funds for student travel costs. Ms. Roberts noted a spreadsheet that she received from Ms. Thomas regarding how monies can be spent but was unclear if student travel was covered. Supervisor Lindsey stated that the list from Ms. Thomas should be provided to Ms. Ford. A brief discussion on what pre-trip information from the school is needed to identify if the monies are spent appropriately and some brief reference to the proposed new District guidelines. Ms. Roberts will follow up with Ms. Ford.

Supervisor Call left the meeting at 7:31 P.M. A quorum remained.

2. San Pedro Spirits 4-H Group

Supervisor Boice indicated they still want to provide lunch at the postponed wildlife attractor's workshop.

Ms. Roberts noted that Ms. Kim Fox requested to be Agendized in October to report on the club and results of the student activities including competing at the Cochise County Fair livestock show.

3. Education Committee Meeting Report

Supervisor Lindsey had no update to report.

J. Board Clerk, Supervisor, and Advisor Updates Time Permitting

Vice-Chair Earven wanted confirmation on the travel mileage reimbursement amount.

Ms. Roberts noted the coordinator of the Brush popper 4-H Horse Club asked to present to the Board at the September BOS meeting.

Ms. Roberts noted Amber Ford, THS FFA asked to present to the Board in September or October. Ms. Roberts stated that it would make more sense to present after their October travel and it was agreed to add her to the November agenda.

Ms. Roberts noted an opportunity to work with the Crossroads Academy STEM program and will forward the Superintendent's contact information to Supervisor Lindsey.

Chair Ladd inquired about U of A 4-H advisor. Vice-Chair Earven stated she was contacted during an ALERT event and will forward the information to Supervisor Boice. Chair Ladd also noted that Patina Thomas is also knowledgeable about 4-H and was unaware of a U of A 4-H advisor.

Ms. Roberts noted the EPA grant was written to be used for a best management agriculture practices workshop. She stated that Ms. Smith has previously stated the postponed wildlife attractors workshop would be acceptable to release the funds. However, she would recommend that the Board follow-up with Ms. Smith to make sure we

use the grant money appropriately. Supervisor Boice thought we could couch the workshop in best management practice terms.

K. Correspondence

1. American Stewards Membership Renewal

Supervisor Lindsey stated last years' membership was \$250.00 (chairman's counsel) but the actual membership is much less. A brief discussion on the various levels of membership and the value of membership.

- Motion:** Supervisor Boice moved to pay the membership dues of \$250.00.
- Second:** Vice-Chair Earven seconded the motion.
- Vote:** Carried unanimously.
- Discussion:** Supervisor Lindsey reminded the Board that memberships cannot come from state funds and will be paid out of local funds.

Motion remains unchanged.

L. Future Meetings/Future Agenda Items

2021 Regular Board Meetings Schedule:

January 20	July 15
February 17 (cancelled)	August 19
March 17	September 16
April 21 (cancelled)	October 21
May 19	November 18
June 17	December 16 remove

Location: Palominas Fire District Training Center
Time: 5:00 P.M.

Agenda Items

- Kim Fox, San Pedro 4-H Update – October 2021 Presentation to the Board
- Kate Cox, Brush poppers 4-H Club – September 2021 Presentation to the Board

M. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 P.M.

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Approved by the Board _____

(Date)

Signed _____

(John Ladd, Chairman)

DRAFT FOR BOARD REVIEW

ACRONYMS

AACD	Arizona Association of Conservation Districts
ADEQ	Arizona Department of Environmental Quality
Ag	Agriculture
AIM	Assessment, Inventory and Monitoring Strategy (BLM program)
ALWT	Arizona Land and Water Trust
ACGA	Arizona Cattle Growers Association
ASLD	Arizona State Land Department
AGFD	Arizona Game and Fish Department
BLM	Bureau of Land Management (Bureau)
CCRN	Cochise Conservation and Recharge Network
CIS	Conservation Implementation Strategy
CRM	Coordinated Resource Management
CSP	Conservation Stewardship Program
CTE	Career and Technical Education
EA	Environmental Assessment
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EQIP	Environmental Quality Incentives Program
ESA	Endangered Species Act
FFA	Future Farmers of America
FHSL	Fort Huachuca Sentinel Landscape
FLPMA	Federal Land Planning and Management Act
FOIA	Freedom of Information Act
FY	Fiscal Year
NC	Nature Conservancy
HPC	Habitat Partnership Committees
HNRCD	Hereford Natural Resource Conservation District
LHE	Land Health Evaluation
LRP	Landowner Relations and Habitat Enhancement Program
Mitten	Fort Huachuca Sentinel Landscape Boundary
MOA	Memorandum of Agreement
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding

NACD	National Association of Conservation Districts
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NRCWAY	Natural Resource Conservation Workshop for Arizona Youth
RCPP	Regional Conservation Partnership Program
RMP	Resource Management Plan
SAE	Supervised Agricultural Experience
SARC	Small Acreage Resource Concerns
SHPO	State Historical Preservation Office
SLRP	Fort Huachuca Sentinel Landscape Restoration Partnership
SP NRCD	San Pedro Natural Resource Conservation District
SPRNCA	San Pedro River National Conservation Area
SRM	Society for Range Management
TBD	To Be Determined
THS	Tombstone High School
U of A	University of Arizona
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USFS	United States Forest Service
USPP	Upper San Pedro Partnership
USPO	United States Post Office
VPA	Voluntary Public Access
WOTUS	Waters of the United States
WPF	Water Protection Fund
WWD NRCD	White-Water Draw Natural Resource Conservation District