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Board Meeting Minutes June 16, 2011 Bluffs Business Center 11:00 A.M.

Call to order: The June 16, 2011 meeting of the Panhandle RC&D Board of Directors was called to order by President, Larry Gibbs at 11:00 a.m. Attendees included: President Larry Gibbs, City of Gering; Ron Cacek, North Platte NRD; Rod Horn, South Platte NRD; Bill Patterson, City of Oshkosh; Casper Corfield, Garden County; Ron Miller, Scotts Bluff County; Lonnie Miller, City of Terrytown; Dave Boeckner, City of Scottsbluff. Staff: Ron Moore, Executive Director; Joyce Mick, Program Support Assistant.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Bill Patterson moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Casper Corfield. Abstained: Rod Horn. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance \$57,796.50. Total receipts \$2,888.98. Total expenses \$22,892.22. Ending balance \$37,793.26. Total in time cd's \$60,248.20. Total \$98,041.46.

Bills to be Paid: Ron Miller moved to approve the bills to be paid in the amount of \$2,476.09. Seconded by Lonnie Miller. Motion carried.

No-till monies: Ron Cacek with North Platte NRD and Rod Horn with South Platte NRD came before the Board to discuss the No-till monies. Their concern was to either leave the money as a separate line item, or separate account, they want to use this money for educational purposes. Lonnie Miller moved to designate the funds and re-instate them as a line item for No-till. Seconded by Dave Boeckner. Motion carried. Discussion was held on presenting the bills to Panhandle RC&D for payment from any No-till function. The No-till committee will put a procedure together for getting approval and payment of the bills.

Executive Director's report: Ron Moore wanted to thank the Board for hiring him as an Executive Director. He realized that this needs to run like a business now. Ron reported on the Intertribal Gathering that it went well – one of the best ever and that he put a lot of time in during the weekend. He had to use some of his money to help cover the expenses over the weekend and was reimbursed except for \$48.50. Discussion was held on the FIG budget.

Inserted in their packet was information about the Obama Administration and the White House Rural Council. He suggested writing a letter to our Congressman to be a part of it.

Ron has given three presentations to NRD's.

Also included in the packet Ron wrote a new Panhandle RC&D informational handout, more discussion on this at our next regular meeting.

The list of projects will be discussed at our next regular meeting.

Ron informed the Board about a copier from Western Plains for non-profit organizations. These non-profit organizations can purchase a copier \$1.00. Panhandle RC&D would have a maintenance agreement to pay 10 cents for color copies and one cent for black and white copies. Western Plains will provide all the toner and maintenance. The charge for color copies is a one year commitment. Bill Patterson moved to authorize Ron or Joyce to get the copier at Western Plains. Seconded by Casper Corfield. Motion carried.

Dave Boeckner moved to authorize Ron to submit grants and the board will give approval when awarded to Panhandle RC&D. Seconded by Bill Patterson. Motion carried.

Ron discussed the options for office rental and the sale of office furniture.

Lonnie Miller moved to negotiate on terms of a lease for the old conference room as office space and to include a termination clause that needs to be included in the event of future lack of funding. Seconded by Ron Miller. Motion carried.

Ron discussed the phone and that we will be getting our old number back on June 21st.

The Personnel Committee (Ron Miller, Mike Marker, and Larry Gibbs) will meet with Ron about voluntary hours, per diem for food and mileage.

Our next regular meeting will be July 14, 2011 at 11:00 p.m.