

OFFICIAL MINUTES
STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD
February 11 and 12, 1980

The State Soil and Water Conservation Board met on February 11, 1980
at 8:00 a.m. in Room Belvedere A of the Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, Texas.

The following people were in attendance:

State Soil and Water Conservation Board

E. W. Wehman, Chairman
Henry Turney, Vice Chairman
Joe Antilley, Member
Frank Gray, Member
Albert Roach, Member

State Soil and Water Conservation Board Staff Members

John Millican, Assistant Executive Director
Bob Buckley, Director of Programs
James Moore, Engineer
Clyde Gottschalk, Information Specialist
Josephine Chupik, Office Services Supervisor
Jay Kuykendall, Engineering Technician
Mel Davis, Field Representative
David Powell, Field Representative
Allen Sheppard, Field Representative
Omar Garza, Field Representative
E. R. Seidensticker, Field Representative
Barney Jefferson, Field Representative
Bill Reece, Field Representative
Dub Crumley, Field Representative
Don Brandenberger, Field Representative

Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts

Hermon Petty, President
W. Q. Richards, Secretary-Treasurer
Dick Schendel, Director (Area III)
J. E. Clark, Jr., Director (Area IV)
Kenneth Kuykendall, Immediate Past President

Others present were:

Budd Fountain, Deputy State Conservationist, Soil Conservation Service
Jim Webster, Texas Forestry Association

Chairman Wehman called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests.

Since each Board member received a copy of the minutes of the meeting held on January 17, 1980 in the mail and there being no changes, on motion of Frank Gray, seconded by Albert Roach, the minutes were approved without being read.

On motion of Joe Antilley, seconded by Henry Turney, the following district director appointments were approved:

Larry Keith - King-Stonewall SWCD # 120
Joe Stewart Hurt - Sandhills SWCD # 241

John Millican reported that Carl Spencer was recovering satisfactorily after open heart surgery. On motion of Albert Roach, seconded by Frank Gray, the Board authorized John Millican to take whatever action is necessary to extend the sick leave of Mr. Spencer, as provided in the General Appropriation bill, if his accumulated sick leave was insufficient.

On February 11, 1980, a petition was received to divide and reorganize the Eldorado-Divide Soil and Water Conservation District # 212 and create the Eldorado-Divide Soil and Water Conservation District # 247 and Tom Green Soil and Water Conservation District # 248. An audit has been made and agreement on distribution of funds reached. Documents on assets, liabilities, and district cooperator agreements have been executed. On motion of Joe Antilley, seconded by Frank Gray, the Board approved the division and reorganization of the Eldorado-Divide Soil and Water Conservation District as being practicable and feasible. Due to the division of this district, the Board approved new subdivisions and appointed directors for each new district as follows:

Eldorado-Divide SWCD # 247

Zone 2 - Steve Williams
Zone 4 - De Lux

Tom Green SWCD # 248

Zone 2 - Voy Lee Butts
Zone 4 - Ernest Michalewicz

The Board agreed to discuss its 1982-83 budget request in its board meeting on March 20, 1980.

Bob Buckley discussed the Resource Conservation Act. NACD has printed a special edition entitled "RCA, A Summary of the USDA Draft Program Report". These may be purchased at the price of \$30.00 per 100 copies for distribution.

On motion of Albert Roach, seconded by Joe Antilley, the Board authorized purchase of this pamphlet for distribution in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.

Mr. Buckley handed out a draft copy on RCA strategies and alternatives. After discussion, on motion of Henry Turney, seconded by Frank Gray, the Board agreed to have a detailed discussion on the draft at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 12, 1980.

The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on March 20, 1980.

All in attendance are attending and/or performing assigned duties at the National Meeting of Conservation Districts held on February 10-14, 1980 in the Shamrock-Hilton, Houston, Texas.

The meeting recessed at 7:30 p.m. and will reconvene at 8:30 a.m. on February 12, 1980.

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The State Soil and Water Conservation Board reconvened on February 12, 1980, at 8:30 a.m. in the Venetian Room of the Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, Texas.

The following people were in attendance:

State Soil and Water Conservation Board

- E. W. Wehman
- Henry W. Turney
- Joe Antilley
- Frank Gray
- Albert Roach

State Soil and Water Conservation Board Staff Members

- John Millican
- Bob Buckley
- James Moore
- Jay Kuykendall
- Mel Davis
- Bill Reece
- Barney Jefferson
- Allen V. Sheppard

Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts

- W. Q. Richards
- Dick Schendel

Others present were:

Budd Fountain
Jim Webster

Chairman Wehman called the reconvened meeting to order.

The Board agreed to review and discuss the USDA draft RCA material, covering each conservation policy objective individually and each alternative strategy separately, working to develop an understanding of each major component of the RCA program. The Board also agreed to develop a position on the draft material so that the staff could better answer specific questions from local Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

After examination and discussion of the 18 RCA objectives, the Board, by consensus, agreed to express their position and feeling on each item as attached.

The meeting recessed at 11:45 a.m. and will reconvene at 1:30 p.m. on February 12, 1980.

The State Soil and Water Conservation Board reconvened on February 12, 1980 at 1:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, Texas.

The following people were in attendance:

E. W. Wehman, Henry Turney, Joe Antilley, Frank Gray, Albert Roach, Bob Buckley, Mel Davis, Jo Chupik, Bill Reece, James Moore, Jay Kuykendall, Allen V. Sheppard, Dick Schendel, and Budd Fountain.

Chairman Wehman called the reconvened meeting to order. The Board examined and discussed the 7 alternative strategies of the draft RCA program. The Board, by consensus, agreed to express their position and feeling on each alternative strategy as attached. In addition, the Board, by consensus, rated each alternative strategy.

The Board, by consensus, approved a mail out to district directors to inform them of the content of the RCA draft material. A general position paper of the board was developed for inclusion in the mail out, as attached.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m. so that those present could participate in the NACD meeting.

E. M. Weisman Jr
Chairman

Josephine Chupik
Secretary

March 20, 1980
Date

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the State Soil and Water Conservation Board meeting held on February 11 and 12, 1980.

March 20, 1980
Date

G. J. Spencer
Executive Director