

OFFICIAL MINUTES
STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD
July 14, 1982

The State Soil and Water Conservation Board met on July 14, 1982
at 8:00 a.m. in the Conference Room, 1006 First National Building, Temple,
Texas.

Board Members present were:

Joe Antilley, Chairman
Frank Gray, Vice Chairman
Clarence F. Schendel, Member
Hermon L. Petty, Member
Albert Roach, Member

Staff members present were:

A. C. Spencer, Executive Director
John Millican, Assistant Executive Director
Bob Buckley, Director of Programs
Leonard Pietzsch, Chief Accountant
Josephine Chupik, Office Services Supervisor
James Moore, Engineer
Clyde Gottschalk, Information Specialist
Mel Davis, Soil Conservationist

Others present were:

Joe Montgomery, Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts
Wilson Scaling, " " " " " " "
George Marks, Soil Conservation Service
Budd Fountain, " " "
Dr. B. L. Harris, Texas Agricultural Extension Service
Christina Allday-Bondy, Texas Energy & Natural Resources Council

On motion of Frank Gray, seconded by Hermon Petty, minutes of the May 20,
1982 meeting were approved as mailed out.

On motion of Hermon Petty, seconded by C. F. Schendel, the board approved
the appointment of Don Sheffield to the Nolan SWCD # 245 Board and R. M. Sherley
to the Collin Co. SWCD # 535 and contingent upon receipt of notification of
resignation document, James L. Stewart was appointed to the Live Oak SWCD #323
Board of Directors.

Three soil and water conservation districts requested additional matching
funds be allocated for the 1983 fiscal year. On motion of C. F. Schendel,
seconded by Frank Gray, the board established the following allocations:

West Nueces-Las Moras SWCD # 236	- \$4,000.00
Copano Bay SWCD # 329	2,500.00
Wise SWCD # 548	4,000.00

John Millican discussed the program details on the Annual State meeting to be held in Austin, October 4, 5, and 6. Topics for discussion for the conservation workshops on Tuesday afternoon at the meeting are:

Range Management
District Program Development
State and National Conservation Legislation

A special session will be held for the district bookkeepers and clerks.

James Moore reported on a letter of request from the Burleson-Lee SWCD to withdraw the application for assistance under the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act on the West Yegua watershed. On motion of C. F. Schendel, seconded by Albert Roach, the Board approved the withdrawal.

Carl Spencer explained the request for assistance from the Calhoun SWCD #345 on shoreline erosion. On motion of C. F. Schendel, seconded by Hermon Petty, the Board added \$528,237 to the 1984-85 budget request for shoreline erosion research.

Carl Spencer reported on the Resource Conservation Act and advised the board it was being re-written eliminating the coordinating committees.

Clyde Gottschalk reported the documentary film on the State Plan is available. Gottschalk reported that meetings are being set up to help coordinate information for a pilot program in districts that are experiencing conservation problems related to absentee landowners.

Mel Davis updated the board on the progress of the wetland classification study and indicated the testing should be completed by the middle of August so that the results can be in Washington by September 1, 1982.

George Marks reported that seven counties in Texas had been approved for special ACP cost-share projects. Mr. Marks informed the board that new SCS employees training was being evaluated. Special emphasis is being placed on working with SWCDs and assistance to SWCDs.

Dr. Harris informed the Board that Dr. Zerle Carpenter was appointed Director of the Agricultural Extension Service effective 9-1-82.

The Texas Section of Soil Conservation Society of America will hold its meeting in Corpus Christi, July 15, 16, and 17, 1982. The national meeting of the SCSA will be held in New Orleans, La. on August 8, 9, 10 and 11.

Hermon Petty reported on the meeting of the Governor's Task Force on Agricultural Development. Some of the problems addressed by this committee relate to retention of agricultural lands, assessing land resources, land rights, land taxation, wetlands, and waste disposal on land.

Leonard Pietzsch reported on the hearing with the staff of the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's Budget and Planning Office on the agency's 1984-85 budget request.

Mr. Spencer reminded the board members to report their travel and per diem promptly so that expenditures for 1982 fiscal year could be finalized for budget purposes.

The board agreed to allow at least 30 minutes to a representative of Dow Chemical Co. for explanation of a new herbicide at its next regular meeting.

The next regular meeting will be held on September 16, 1982.

On motion of Hermon Petty, seconded by Albert Roach, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Joe Anthony
Chairman

Josephine Chupik
Secretary

August 16, 1982
Date

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Board meeting held on July 14, 1982.

August 16, 1982
Date

J.W. Miller
Acting Executive Director