

Marin/Sonoma Mosquito & Vector Control District

Board of Trustees
595 Helman Lane
Cotati, CA 94931

February 11, 2026
MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

President Gallian called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Trustees Present (In Person at District Headquarters):

Bloom, Gail	Harvey, Susan
Conrad, Scott	Hootkins, Susan
Dawson, Isabel	Mackenzie, Jake
Gallian, Laurie	

Trustees Present via Teleconference – Satellite Locations:

Sonoma Satellite Location:

Alio Labs Inc., 447 Aviation Blvd., Santa Rosa, CA. 95403
Kubota, Evan McCaffery, Shaun

Marin Satellite Location:

Central Marin Police Authority, Community Room,
250 Doherty Dr., Larkspur, CA. 94939
Ackerman, Bruce Marquiss, Alison
Nichols, Vicki

**Trustees Present via Teleconference – Individual Home Addresses
(as listed on the posted Agenda):**

Benediktsson, Cathy	Pigoni, Carol
Davis, Tamara	Snyder, Richard

Trustees Absent:

Gopinath, Rika	Witt, David
Primrose, Piper	

Open Seats: One Marin County at Large, Ross, San Anselmo, Sebastopol, and one Sonoma County at Large

Staff and Others Present (In Person): Peter Bonkrude, District Manager, Erik Hawk, Assistant Manager, Liz Garcia, Administrative Services Manager, Dr. Kelly Furey, Scientific Programs Manager, Nizza Sequeira, Public Information Officer, Dawn Williams, Executive Assistant/Board Clerk, Janet Coleson, General Counsel

Meeting Format and Brown Act Compliance (SB 707)

The meeting was conducted in a hybrid format, with trustees participating in person and via teleconference in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act, as amended by SB 707.

Teleconferencing was conducted using videoconference and teleconference technology. All teleconference locations were listed on the posted agenda, including District headquarters, designated satellite locations, and individual trustee home addresses.

Each teleconference location was open and accessible to the public, and members of the public were provided with the opportunity to observe and address the Board. A quorum of the Board was present.

4. PUBLIC TIME

No public comment.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

B. MINUTES – Minutes of Board Meeting held on January 14, 2026.

C. FINANCIAL REPORTS – Accept Financial Reports for January 2026.

It was M/S Trustee Snyder/Trustee Harvey to approve and accept the Consent Calendar.

Motion passed with a roll call vote:

***Ayes:** Trustee Ackerman, Trustee Benediktsson, Trustee Bloom, Trustee Conrad, Trustee Davis, Trustee Gallian, Trustee Harvey, Trustee Hootkins, Trustee Kubota, Trustee Mackenzie, Trustee Marquiss, Trustee McCaffery, Trustee Nichols, Trustee Pigoni, Trustee Snyder,*

***No:** (none)*

***Abstain:** Trustee Dawson*

***Absent:** Trustee Gopinath, Trustee Primrose and Trustee Witt*

6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT

No items were removed from Consent.

7. INFORMATION ONLY

No informational items.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive Committee

No Report

B. Facility Improvement Committee

No Report

C. Policy Committee

No Report

D. Finance Committee

No report

9. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Administrative/Manager's Report

Manager Bonkrude stated that his written report stands as submitted and added that final interviews for the Data Systems position will take place next week.

B. Operations/Assistant Manager's Report

Assistant Manager Hawk noted that his written report stands as submitted and offered to answer any questions.

C. Laboratory/Scientific Programs Manager's Report

Dr. Furey stated that her written report stands as submitted. She added that the surveillance report has been completed and is available on the website, or it can be emailed upon request.

D. Public Information Officer's (PIO) Report

PIO Sequeira stated that her report stands as submitted. She asked whether any trustees are aware of events in their cities that the District could attend, noting that she welcomes suggestions and is always looking to add new events to the calendar. She also shared that the Open House will be held on September 19th and that additional details will be provided as the date approaches.

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. Brief reports by Trustees and staff members who attended the 2026 Mosquito Vector Control Association of California (MVCAC) Annual Conference.

Manager Bonkrude explained that he, Dr. Furey, and Vector Control Technician Nathen Reed attended the conference in Rancho Mirage. He participated in delivering a presentation on the District's Data Modernization Project, highlighting the work completed over the past year. He discussed how the District utilized the Cal OES grant planning process and leveraged findings from its audit to pivot into Cal OES funding, ultimately developing a strong operational plan. As a result, what was originally a five-to-six-year plan was accelerated and implemented within 18 months.

He also participated in a mentor/mentee program, which involved guiding a participant, introducing them to colleagues, and assisting with networking opportunities. He stated that he believes it is an excellent program.

Dr. Kelly noted that this year she presented a poster on the District's new 3D gravid trap, one of the traps planned for regular deployment later this summer. She also moderated sessions on non-mosquito vertebrates, including rodents and bats, which gave her the opportunity to attend talks she would not normally see due to scheduling conflicts with other sessions.

In addition, she mentored an entomologist from Kern County, noting that the mentee met more people at this single conference than in the four years the mentee had attended. She also served on the LEADS Committee, supporting

young researchers. Dr. Kelly shared that she really enjoys these opportunities, as they allow her to engage with others and receive valuable input.

B. Board Committee Assignments

Trustee Gallian stated that she has received responses from several trustees regarding whether they wish to remain on their current committees or be added to a different committee. She clarified that Trustee Marquiss was incorrectly listed on the Nominating Committee and should instead be assigned to the Legislative Committee.

C. Brown Act Updates Under SB 707

Manager Bonkrude presented updates on Senate Bill 707 which modernizes the Brown Act by expanding remote participation, improving public access, and enhancing transparency and community engagement.

D. State and Federal Legislative and Regulatory Update

Manager Bonkrude presented updates on the legislative and regulatory outlook for mosquito and vector control, highlighting current and future concerns, including workforce development, funding, pesticide regulations, operational flexibility, and public health mandates, as discussed by MVCAC and AMCA.

E. Update on Facility Improvement

Manager Bonkrude provided a Preconstruction Services update on the 13,700+ SF Vehicle Storage and Admin Addition project, covering scope, schedule, budget, environmental considerations, and key milestones from design through construction.

11. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS


No written communications.

12. OPEN TIME FOR BOARD OR STAFF COMMENTS

Trustee Nichols noted that the District is already implementing the SB 707 Brown Act updates in the Minutes and Agenda. She thanked Board Secretary Williams for promptly making the changes and added that the updates make it much clearer to see where everyone was during the meeting.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was M/S Trustee Harvey/Trustee Davis to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m.

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District Representative
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4/14/2026
Date of Approval

Signed by: 

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Trustee
MSMVCD Board of Trustees

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