



MACD Board Meeting: Minutes

November 14th at 9:30am via zoom and in Billings, MT

BOARD MEMBERS

Dean Rogge (PRES)	Jeff Pattison (1)	Roger Smedsrud (3)	Steve Tyrell (4)	Mike Hansen (6)
Gary Giem (TREAS)	Doug Bonsell (2)	Pat Anderson (3)	Jim Simpson (5)	Rick VanDyken(6)
Steve Hertel (VP)	Roddy Rost (2)	Steve Schanaman(4)	<i>Vacant</i> (5)	EO Associate Member
Steve Wanderaas (1)	Ted Woods (2)	Judi Knapp (4)	Bill Naegeli (5)	<i>(To be filled Nov. 2023)</i>

PARTNERS AND OTHERS PRESENT: Rebecca Bolsough-King, Steve Hedstrom, Terry Profota, Terry Profota, Mark Bostrom, Dana Berwick, Mark Suta, Willie Bernard, Tom Beck, Brenna Rietmann, Dallas Steele

Highlighted = present. All white/unhighlighted names are absent. Board members who provided notice are marked 'excused.'

9:30 am **Call Meeting to Order**

1. Change of bylaws

5.04 Election of Directors by Areas. The election of directors takes place at MACD Area Meetings. Candidates for area nominations must be a supervisor from a district in good standing and remain so throughout the term of office. The candidate(s) elected will take office [at the November MACD Board Meeting](#). The term of office is three (3) years. Every district, whether in good standing or not, will have one vote for the election of the Area Directors.

2. Seating of new MACD Board Members - Ted Woods, Steve Tyrrel, Roger Smedsrud
3. Roll Call
4. Review Governance Calendar
5. Consent Agenda*
 - a. October Board Minutes
 - b. November Executive Committee Minutes

Motion to approve Consent Agenda as presented

- Motion: Roddy Rost
- Second: Steve Schanaman

- Discussion: None
- Motion Carries

9:40 am Elections

6. Recommendation from Executive Committee to approve Board Officer Job Descriptions*

Motion from Executive Committee (see line above)

- Motion: Steve Hertel
- Second: Pat Anderson
- Discussion:
- Motion Carries

Motion to approve the officer job descriptions as amended

- Motion: Jeff Pattison
- Second: Steve Hertel
- Discussion:
- Motion Carries

7. Election of MACD Officers: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, NACD Delegate, NACD Alternate Delegate

Motion to nominate Dean Rogge for President, Steve Hertel for Vice President, and Gary Giem for Treasurer/Secretary.

- Motion: Mike Hansen
- Second: Steve Wanderaas
- Discussion:
- Motion carries

Dean Rogge, Steve Hertel, and Gary Giem were re-elected President, Vice President, and Treasurer/Secretary, respectively. (There were no opponents.)

Motion to nominate Karl Christians for NACD Delegate

- Motion: Jim Simpson
- Second: Mike Hansen
- Discussion
- Motion carries

Motion to nominate to nominate Steve Hedstrom

- Motion: Mike Hansen
- Motion: Pat Anderson
- Discussion:
- Motion Carries

Karl Christians was elected as NACD Delegate by secret ballot.

Motion to Nomination Steve Hedstrom as NACD Alternate

- Motion: Pat Anderson
- Motion: Mike Hansen
- Discussion: none
- Motion carries

Motion to nominate Dean Rogge

- Motion: Jeff Pattison
- Second: Mike Hansen
- Discussion: none
- Motion carries

Dean Rogge was elected as NACD Alternate Delegate by secret ballot.

10:00 am **Financial Matters**

Detailed financials are always available from the Finance Committee and MACD staff, upon request.

8. Approve Financial Report*

Motion to approve financial report

- Motion: Mike Hansen
- Second: Jeff Pattison
- Discussion: Still awaiting BPMC statements to reconcile.
- Motion carries

9. Dues Report*

- a. Park CD
- b. Carbon CD

Motion to approve variance requests from Park and Carbon CD

- Motion: Mike Hansen
- Second: Steve Wanderaas
- Discussion:
- Motion Carries

10. Review and Discuss Draft 2024 Budget - Official approval will take place in December

11. Continued discussion: Proposed dues structure and next steps

10:30 am **Executive Director and Operations Report**

12. Operations and Programs

- a. 2024 Draft Meeting Calendar (including approval of 2024 Area Meeting Locations*)

Motion to approve 2024 Area Meeting locations and dates, as presented.

- Motion: Mike Hansen
- Second: Roddy Rost
- Discussion: All area hosts have been contacted and have confirmed
- Motion Carries

- b. Discussion: 2024 Convention location and duration. Madi is working on this.
- c. Fundraising (Madi)
- d. 2024 BSWC Member selected

13. Legislative and Policy

- a. Important note - Staff from all Congressional offices present tomorrow.
- b. NACD Spring Fly-In Scheduled for March 20, 2024

10:50 am **Committee and Work Group Business & Recommendation**

- 14. Committees and Work Group Reports (Resolutions and Policy Committee + subcommittees, Education Work Group, Programs Work Group, Legislative and Advocacy, etc)
 - a. Approval of BPMC Board Members

Approval of Rocky Schwagler and Shirley Galovic as Montana voting board members for the Bridger Plant Materials Center Board.

- Motion Mike Hansen
- Second: Jim Simpson
- Discussion: Montana and Wyoming have two positions each with one rotating member that can vote and an alternate (non-voting position). Judi Knapp will serve as the non-voting member.
- Motion Carries

10:55 am **Partner Reports**

15. Partner Reports

Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) - Kyle Tackett

- Tom Watson will be at the Convention by late Wednesday evening. He had to be at a required leadership meeting.
- There could be a shutdown on Friday. There is not a ton of information out there.
- There is a ton of money coming down and NRCS is still struggling with staffing.

Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) - Mark Bostrom

- Mark will be meeting with Director Kaster and Director Osmundson to work on a trust for irrigation infrastructure. There is a huge need for state and local matching funds.
- a. MT Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)
 - i. Conservation District Advisory Council (CDAC) to DNRC
 - b. Montana Conservation Districts Employee Organization (MCDEO)
 - c. National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD)
 - d. Missouri River Conservation District Council (MRCDC)
 - e. Yellowstone River Conservation District Council (YRCDC)
 - f. Milk River Watershed Alliance (MRWA)
 - g. Montana Salinity Control Association (MSCA)
 - h. Other key partners

11:25 am **Organizational Infrastructure**

16. Board Manual (15 Minutes)
- ~~17. Operation Outreach (30 Minutes)~~ **postponed due to time**

12:15 pm **Other MACD Business**

18. Kim LaFleur Airport Pickup
19. Associate Board Members Members - Awaiting EO Associate nomination
20. Discussion: MACD bylaws clarification regarding non-voting supervisors on the MACD Board
21. Supervisor recruitment for districts and board members. Modules that districts could adopt? (Jim Simpson)
22. **NEXT MEETING: Thursday at 4pm in Boardroom 2 (Floor 2).**

12:30 pm **Adjourn**

Parking lot

- Dues (outcome from business meeting)
- Anything related to resolutions outcomes and MACD Business meeting
- EO Associate member + Tiberi as associate
- Board Manual
- Operation outreach - if time and interest