Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

May 26, 2026 – 9:00 am

Greater Valley CCC Facility (14993 Camage Ave, Sonora)

Call to Order: 9:00 am

Roll Call: OFFICERS – Sanchez (President), Sloan (VP), Aceves (Treasurer)
DIRECTORS – Carlen, McGowan, Caldwell

Absent: Milani

Guests/Collaborators/Project Managers Present: Sean Hembre, Bill Barteau, Alec Lane, Scott Fremd, Stephen Johnson, Jerry Usrey, Adam Frese

Standing Reports:

Acting President Sanchez opened the meeting and welcomed those present. He outlined the change in leadership due to Karen Caldwell resigning her position as Board President.

Treasurer Aceves provided a financial report:

- **Bank Accounts**: Reconciled through April 30. End of May balances: Checking $173,237.90; Savings $174,632.69.
- **Project Payouts** (May):
  - Firewise: $1,000
  - Defensible Space: $52,681.74
  - Groveland: $1,516.80
  - Kewin: $7,704.50
  - Total Project Payouts: $62,902.92
- **Recurring Expenses**: $15,359.64
- **Deposits**: $238,082.95 (Somerville Defensible Space and others)
- **Total Expense Payout**: $78,262.00

Executive Director Alt provided a written project update included in the Board agenda package. Alt also provided an update regarding Project Managers and Jami Wolf being added as Co-PM to the Tuolumne Area Project.

Committee/Meeting updates:

Vice President Sloan provided an update on the agenda and discussion from the County Fire Safety Advisory committee.

Alt said SWIFT was cancelled this month.

Caldwell updated Firewise, 3 new recognized communities and a new mapping tool required for Firewise that needs refinement yet.

McGowan provided a thorough update from YSS meeting including Rim Fire recovery and 160,000+ trees being planted in burn scar.

Bill Barteau reported burn permits are suspended below 3500 ft.

Business/Action items:

A. March meeting minutes passed unanimously with minor corrections.

B. April meeting minutes passed unanimously with minor corrections.

C. Council Signatory changes passed unanimously.

D. Independent Audit: The board voted unanimously to direct ED Alt and Treasurer Aceves to develop a process to become audit ready with anticipation of an independent audit to be completed no later that March, 2027.

Information Item:

A. Grant prioritization: The Board directed Alt to develop grant applications for submission with Cal Fire for Defensible Space and for Big Hill Maintenance/Telegraph Hill project (resubmission from last grant cycle).

B. California Fire Safe Council County Coordinator grant opportunity: Alt provided an update on the potential of TFSC becoming the host agency for the County Coordinator grant. The Board directed Alt to prepare to submit grant and coordinate development of all grant and supplemental documentation with the Board, for policy adoption and Treasurer for financial statements.

C. PGE Grant: Alt reported that PGE had reached out and requested project administration for a project of approximately $100,000 in the Stanislaus National Forest near Pine Crest Lake. Alt agreed, on behalf of the Council, to perform project administration.

D. Dragoon Gulch: Based on Board approval to request additional treatment area for the Dragoon Gulch project, Alt has made request to Cal Fire Southern Region Grants to amend the grant to include approximately 35 acres of the Washing burn scar area to the east of Highway 49 and north of Highway 108 along Woods Creek. No activities can occur until grant amendment is approved.

E. Project Manager contract template and compensation: Alt reported that he had completed a Project Management contract template and review of competitive salaries associated with the Statement of Work outlined in the contract.

F. CWPP: Sean Hembre provided report during collaborator reports earlier on the agenda. Hembre reported CWPP primarily was focused on project prioritization process beginning with Planning Unit F. Alt and Sanchez were in attendance.

G. Annual Report: Sanchez and Alt reported out the intention of having a comprehensive annual report completed for the 2026 fiscal year. Anticipated for the end of the, December 2026.

H. Executive Director evaluation process: The Board discussed the evaluation process of the ED and the idea of a Board evaluation process. Sanchez agreed to work with the Executive Committee to examine processes for consideration and will present options to the Board in future meetings. Target date is the June meeting for discussion.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:51 AM

Executive Committee Meeting: None