

MEETING OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

(ALL MEETINGS OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC)

Location: Shasta County Board of Supervisors
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MEETING MINUTES FOR MAY 28, 2008

Item
No.

(1) **CALL TO ORDER**

- (a) The meeting was called to order Wednesday, May 2008 at approximately 10:00 a.m. Al Montna, President of the State Board of Food and Agriculture presiding.
- (b) Welcoming remarks provided by Al Montna.
- (c) Pledge of Allegiance.

(2) **ROLL CALL**

Board members provided self introduction in lieu of roll call.

Present:

Al Montna	Karen Ross	Craig McNamara
Donald Valpredo	Thomas Deardorff II	Adan Ortega, Jr.
Donald Bransford	Ann Bacchetti-Silva	David Wehner

Absent:

Luawanna Hallstrom	Kerry Tucker	Marvin Meyers
Daniel Dooley	Ashley Boren	

(3) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 30, 2008**

MOTION: Board member Donald Bransford moved to approve the minutes of the April meeting. Board member Craig McNamara seconded the motion and a unanimous vote carried the motion.

(4) **OPENING REMARKS BY BOARD PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY**

Secretary Kawamura provided opening remarks for the Agricultural Vision Listening Session and acknowledged special guests in the audience. David Kehoe, Shasta County Supervisor, was introduced and provided welcoming remarks.

President Montna also provided introductory remarks and encouraged participation by the agricultural community.

(5) **PUBLIC LISTENING SESSION ON THE CALIFORNIA AG VISION**

The California State Board of Food and Agriculture hosted a public listening session to help develop a vision for a more productive, competitive and innovative agricultural sector by 2030. Individuals providing public comments were asked to respond to the following four questions:

- ⇒ What is your vision for California agriculture by 2030?
- ⇒ What will be the biggest challenge in achieving that vision?
- ⇒ In 2030, how has public perception of agriculture changed?
- ⇒ What is a “must have” in an Ag Vision for California?

A total of 20 individuals provided remarks at the board meeting. A transcript of the meeting is available online at www.cdfa.ca.gov/agvision.

Public comments were provided by the following individuals:

- David Kehoe, Shasta County Board of Supervisors
- Mary Pfeiffer, Shasta County Agricultural Commissioner
- Rick Gurrola, Tehama Country Agricultural Commissioner
- Wolfgang Rougle, Small Farmer
- Rebecca Desmond, Siskiyou Golden Fair
- Jessica Vasquez, West Valley FFA
- Katie Loverin, West Valley FFA
- Kaci Gurrola, West Valley FFA
- Mary LaSalle-Rickert, Farmer/Rancher
- Margaret Wagner, Organic Gardner
- Mary Ocasion, Churn Creek Meadow Organic Farm
- Betty Doty, Family Counselor
- James Rickert, Prather Ranch
- Johanna Trenerry, Happy Valley Farm Trail
- Jack Cowley, California Cattlemen's Association
- Shannon Wooten, Wooten Gold Queens
- Wayne Kessler, Shambani Organics
- Jack Hanson, California Cattlemen's Association
- Arnold Wilhelme, Farmer
- Missy Lockie, Shasta County Farm Bureau

(6) CLOSING COMMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:07 p.m.