

**California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA)
Minutes**

of the Meeting/Video Conferencing
of the Nursery Advisory Board (NAB)
Held on Thursday, October 12, 2023

NURSERY ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Members Present: David Cox, Jessica Fernandez, Michael Frantz, Bruce Jensen, Jay Jensen, Janet Silva Kister, Josh Puckett, Daniel Waterhouse

Members Absent: Dustin Hooper, Phillip Johnson

OTHER ATTENDEES*

Kamal Bagri, Brenda Lanini, Jasmine Minhas, Lorence Oki, , Michael Paule, Wolfgang Schweigkofler, Marcie Skelton, Kristina Weber, Chris Zanobini

*As self-reported in the Zoom application

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Janet Silva Kister, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m. and conducted roll call. A quorum was present for the Board.

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Janet Silva Kister welcomed everyone and reviewed the topics of discussion.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BOARD VACANCIES

The Nominating Committee reviewed James Hessler's, David Kirby's, and Emily Rooney's applications for appointment to the NAB and recommended appointment of all three applicants.

Board Motion

The Board recommended approval of James Hessler as a voting member of the NAB.

Motion: Bruce Jensen

Second: David Cox

In Favor: David Cox, Jessica Fernandez, Michael Frantz, Bruce Jensen, Jay Jensen, Janet Silva Kister, Josh Puckett, Daniel Waterhouse

Against: None

Absent: Dustin Hooper, Phillip Johnson

Abstain: None

Board Motion

The Board recommended approval of David Kirby as a voting member of the NAB.

Motion: Michael Frantz

Second: David Cox

In Favor: David Cox, Jessica Fernandez, Michael Frantz, Bruce Jensen, Jay Jensen, Janet Silva Kister, Josh Puckett, Daniel Waterhouse

Against: None

Absent: Dustin Hooper, Phillip Johnson

Abstain: None

Board Motion

The Board recommended approval of Emily Rooney as a non-voting member of the NAB.

Motion: Michael Frantz

Second: David Cox

In Favor: David Cox, Jessica Fernandez, Michael Frantz, Bruce Jensen, Jay Jensen, Janet Silva Kister, Josh Puckett, Daniel Waterhouse

Against: None

Absent: Dustin Hooper, Phillip Johnson

Abstain: None

UPCOMING AND CURRENT BOARD VACANCIES

The Board reviewed the NAB Board Procedures adopted on September 11, 2013, and discussed suggested updates to the list of non-voting Board Member positions.

Board Motion

The Board recommended amendment of the list of non-voting ex officio members of the board in the NAB Board Procedures to change "The California Association of Nurseries and Garden Centers" to their new name, "Plant California Alliance"; to remove "The California Cut Flower Commission", which was no longer in operation; and to add "Agriculture Council of California" and "Plant Right Organization".

Motion: Michael Frantz

Second: David Cox

In Favor: David Cox, Jessica Fernandez, Michael Frantz, Bruce Jensen, Jay Jensen, Janet Silva Kister, Josh Puckett, Daniel Waterhouse

Against: None

Absent: Dustin Hooper, Phillip Johnson

Abstain: None

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
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