



**Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, July 13, 2015
Conference Call**

- CALL TO ORDER President Kit Tillotson called the conference call meeting of the Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts Board of Directors to order at 8:05 PM on Monday, July 13, 2015. Those present included Kit Tillotson, Billie Brown, Steve Becker, Art Beal, Glen Gier and Benjamin Kelly.
- PRESENT
- MINUTES APPROVED The minutes of the board of directors meeting held on June 12, 2015 had been distributed for review (see attached). A correction was made to the Ag Summit portion replacing Governor's Award for Education with Governor's Award for Longevity. Billie Brown moved the minutes of June 12, 2015 be approved as amended. Seconded. Passed.
- ISWCC APPOINTMENT Kit Tillotson requested input from the board on the ISWCC appointment letter from IASCD. The letter addressed the need to fill the position currently held by Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commissioner, Roger Stutzman, whose term ends this year. The board addressed the names of Terry Kramer, Glen Gier and Brian Olmstead that were placed in order of preference by the IASCD Board. On further consideration, the note delineating the order of preference was revised with the names for consideration remaining in order. Tillotson's name will be placed as the signature representing IASCD and Gier reported that Division IV and individual districts from the division had sent their letters of recommendation. Art Beal moved to send the updated letter of recommendation to the Governor. Seconded. Passed.
- IDEA CONF. CALL REQUEST Kit Tillotson let the board know of a request from IDEA President, Robbie Taylor concerning the use of the IASCD conference call number. Tillotson wanted board approval before agreeing to the use. By Consensus the board agreed to IDEA's use of the IASCD conference call number.
- DISTRICT GRANTS The board discussed the nonprofit status of the association and the prospect of districts partnering with IASCD to open up opportunities for grants that are not available to local government entities. The opportunity would make available a deliverable to districts but the association would need to look into accounting practices and put in place guarantees if the option is available. The board agreed that risks would need to be mitigated and agreed to pursue the issue as well as agreements that would need to be issued if such a program could be put into place. Benjamin will contact Josh Tyree at Harris & Co. to clarify if activity would change IASCD's filing status if we reach a certain dollar amount by year's end.
- YEAR-END FINANCIAL Steve Becker requested the FY15 year-end financial report be sent via email for final review. Upon review, Becker requested the report be sent

to all 50 districts at the beginning of August or as soon as Harris & Co. has completed its review and sent it to IASCD. Becker requested that IASCD send dues notices to all 50 districts at the membership approved rate of \$1,800 for 2016.

ISWCC TOUR

Kit Tillotson reminded the board that ISWCC is having a multi-state (OR, WA, ID, and MT) Conservation Summit on July 24 with a series of tours throughout the southern part of the state from July 20-23. The tour will focus on stewardship projects and will have representatives from EPA's DC office. Teri Murrison had invited those board members available to attend and IASCD will have its display at the summit on the July 24. Board members discussed their availability and those in the divisions which the tour is taking place will be in attendance.

ADJOURNMENT

Glen Gier moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded. Passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted
Benjamin Kelly, Executive Director

ACTION ITEMS

- Benjamin contact Robbie Taylor – conf. call #
- Benjamin contact Josh Tyree at Harris & Co.
- Steve review FY15 year-end financial
- Benjamin send FY15 year-end financial - august
- Benjamin send 2016 dues notice