

**COUNTY OF VENTURA  
AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
ACTION MINUTES – JANUARY 11, 2012**

1. 1:00 P.M. – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER.

2. ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE.

Committee            Scott Deardorff, District 1  
Roll Call:            Sanger Hedrick, District 2, Vice Chair  
                             Bob Pinkerton, District 3, Chairman  
                             Charles Schwabauer, District, 4  
                             Will Doyle, District 5

Ex-officio:            Henry Gonzales, Agricultural Commissioner  
(non-voting)        Richard Enfield, UC Farm Advisor

Committee  
Present:                Deardorff, Hedrick, Pinkerton, Schwabauer, Doyle

Ex-officio  
Present:                Henry Gonzales

Staff/Others Present: Nancy Parker and Rudy Martel, VC Agricultural Commissioner's Office; Julie Bulla, Land Use Consultant; Jeanette Lombardo, California Women of Agriculture; and Eric Walts, Ventura County Counsel. Others may have been present and did not sign in.

3. COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

None.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Motion:    Approve agenda as shown.  
By Hedrick; seconded by Deardorff.  
Vote:        5-0

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

None.

6. CONSENT ITEM.

A. Approve Minutes of October 12, 2011  
Motion:    Approve.  
By Schwabauer; seconded by Doyle.  
Vote:        5-0

7. REVIEW OF APAC DUTIES & PROCESS: ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

A. Nominations & Election of APAC Chair and Vice-Chair

Motion to keep Bob Pinkerton as APAC Chair and Sanger Hedrick as Vice-Chair.  
By Schwabauer; seconded by Doyle.  
Vote:            5-0

B. Review of Resolution 201/208.103 and APAC Duties

Bob Pinkerton gave a brief overview of this Resolution and asked Nancy Parker to check the Ag Commissioner's website to see if it is posted there.

C. Review of APAC Bylaws and Processes

Bob Pinkerton gave a brief overview and stated that there are no processes on file at this time.

D. Review of Brown Act

Bob Pinkerton introduced Eric Walts, of Ventura County Counsel, who gave Committee members an overview of The Brown Act, which is the policy surrounding public meetings. There was some discussion about the new APAC member, Scott Deardorff, receiving Brown Act training. Eric will send information to Nancy Parker via e-mail, and she will, in turn, forward this training information to Scott. Henry Gonzales brought up the subject of "serial e-mails," and how they are impacted by The Brown Act. There was also a discussion about conflict of interest while serving on the APAC. Julie Bulla gave an overview on her experience with conflict of interest issues when she was employed by the Agricultural Commissioner's Office and was working closely with APAC. Eric advised that he will investigate further some of these issues surrounding The Brown Act and follow up with the Committee on his findings.

8. COMMUNICATIONS.

A. Committee. None.

B. Staff. None.

C. Confirm Future Meeting Dates. February 15, March 14 (there may be a change to this date), and April is "dark."

9. MEETING ADJOURNMENT.

Motion: To adjourn at 2:10 p.m.

By Schwabauer; seconded by Hedrick.

Vote: 5-0