COUNTY OF VENTURA  
AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES - MAY 8, 2013

1. 1:01 P.M. – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

   Committee:  Scott Deardorff, District 1  
               Sanger Hedrick, District 2, Vice Chair  
               Bob Pinkerton, District 3, Chairman  
               Vacant, District 4  
               Will Doyle, District 5 (Absent)

   Ex-officio:  Henry Gonzales, Agricultural Commissioner (Absent)  
               (non-voting)  Dr. James Downer, Acting County Director/Farm Advisor (Absent)  
               University of California Cooperative Extension

3. Staff/Others Present: Korinne Bell, Rudy Martel, and Luz Villavicencio from the Ventura County Agricultural Commissioner’s Office; Martin Hernandez from Supervisor Kathy Long’s Office; Lynn Jensen, and Anita Poirier from the Ventura County Coalition of Labor, Agriculture and Business (COLAB); Andrea Ozdy, Becky Linder, and Michelle D’Anna from Ventura County Planning; Charlotte Crocker; Lisa Woodbum, John Chester, and Molly Chester from Apricot Lane Farms. Others may have been present and did not sign in.

4. COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

   At this time Sanger Hedrick suggested sending a letter of appreciation and commendation to Charles Schwabauer for his service to APAC.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

   Motion:  Approve agenda as shown  
   By Hedrick; seconded by Deardorff  
   Vote:  4-0

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

   None.

7. CONSENT ITEM

   A.  Approve Minutes of April 10, 2013  
   Motion:  Approve April Minutes as written  
   By Deardorff; seconded by Hedrick  
   Vote:  4-0

8. PRESENTATION

   A.  Becky Linder from Ventura County Planning provided information about the intent to host weddings, farm tours, and temporary outdoor events in Apricot Lane Farms. The applicant provided an informational video of their property and their farming operations.

   At this time, Patty Waters, neighbor of Apricot Lane Farms, expressed safety concerns about the amount of traffic that these events could potentially generate.
B. Michelle D’Anna from Ventura County planning gave an overview of the McGrath Farms’ project and the applicant also provided information about her property and what the plans were for the project.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

A. APAC Members:

None

B. Staff:

Korinne Bell from the Agricultural Commissioner’s Office provided a brief update about the Piru Bike Trail.

C. Confirm Future Meeting Dates:

June 12, 2013
July 10, 2013

10. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment at 1:56 P.M. by Pinkerton.