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**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 10, 2011
BLUFFS BUSINESS CENTER
11:00 AM**

Call to order: The March 10, 2011 meeting of the Panhandle RC&D Board of Directors was called to order by President Larry Gibbs at 11:00 a.m. Attendees included: President Larry Gibbs, City of Gering; Harold Winkelman, Cheyenne County; Dave Ostdiek, North Platte NRD; Dave Boeckner, City of Scottsbluff; Casper Corfield, Garden County; Ron Klemke, Garden County; Larry Kenney, Deuel County; Bill Halligan, South Platte NRD; Sandy McCarthy, Box Butte County; Dana Weber with Dana J Weber, CPA. Staff: Ron Moore, RC&D Coordinator and Joyce Mick, Program Support Assistant.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Harold Winkelman moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Dave Ostdiek. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance \$21,134.69. Total receipts \$1,401.18. Total expenses \$6,552.37. Ending balance of \$15,983.50. Total in time cd's \$60,126.01. Total: \$76,109.51.

Bills to be paid: Ron Klemke moved to approve the bills to be paid in the amount of \$1,447.52. Seconded by Harold Winkelman. Motion carried.

Audit Review: Dana Weber with Dana J. Weber, CPA presented the audit review. Dave Boeckner moved to accept the audit review. Seconded by Ron Klemke. Motion carried.

Coordinators Report

Grant applications for Organic Farming and Soil Health: Ron Moore reported that we had applied for this grant but was not awarded it. He also reported that we are getting \$40,000 from NRCS - \$30,000 this year and \$10,000.00 next year. We can use this money to meet our annual work plan. Also we have around \$3,000 in the State Organic Farming grant to help out towards an Organic Workshop or conference.

Grant applications for Friends of the Intertribal Gathering: Ron Moore reported that we were awarded \$6,400.00 from the Nebraska Arts Council; and that we have applied for \$15,000.00 from the Nebraska Humanities, we received \$6,800 last year. We also applied to the Santa Fe Tobacco Foundation for \$10,000 and Running Strong for America \$2,000. Chadron Native American received a grant and will be able to put \$5,000 towards the event.

Old Business:

Western RC&D Association Meeting: Due to the budget Ron Moore, RC&D Coordinator will not be attending the Western Conference. Ron Moore reported that a Continuing Resolution was passed through March 18th to keep operating. Ron also mentioned about the meeting in Kearney on April 7th and may not be able to attending due to costs.

New Business:

Intertribal Gathering Balance: Harold Winkelman moved to write off the balance of -\$2,935.63 for the 2010 Intertribal Gathering. Seconded by Dave Boeckner. Motion carried.

Circle of Diamonds: Ron Moore congratulated the Council on receiving their Tier II of the Circle of Diamonds.

Legislative Alert RC&D scheduled for elimination and contact: Discussion on the budget and the need to contract our Senators' and Congressman. Need to contact them by phone calls or emails at this time.

Ron Moore reminded the Council about the Business After Hours to be held today, March 10 at 4:30 – 6:30 and that they will be presenting a plaque for our 40 years of service to the community.

Adjourn: Sandy McCarthy moved to adjourn at 11:35 p.m. Seconded by Ron Klemke. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on our next regular meeting day that needs to be changed due to conflicts in attendance. Our next regular meeting will be April 21, 2011 at 11:00 a.m.