

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY
HEALTH COMMISSION**

Minutes of Meeting

Monday, February 6, 2012 (County Board of Supervisors Chambers)

Members Present: Ed Guerena (Chair), Susan Warren (Vice-Chair), Lynn Enns (Secretary), Jesse Arnold, David Clous, Tracy Del Rio, James Pope, Anne Quinn, Jean Raymond, Mary Jean Sage

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Penny Borenstein, MD (Health Officer), Jean White

Speakers: Marty Settevendemie, Janice Campbell (Ag Department); Kathleen Karle (Health Agency); Chuck Stevenson (Planning & Building)

| Agenda Item | Discussion | Action | Who/When |
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| 1. Call to Order | Meeting called to order by Chair Guerena at 6:00 p.m. | <i>Call to order</i> | <i>Chair Guerena</i> |
| 2. Welcome of New Commissioner | Chair Guerena welcomed new commissioner, Gill Blonsley. | | |
| 3. Approval of Minutes | Minutes of January 9, 2012 were approved as written. | <i>Minutes approved</i> | <i>Arnold/Quinn/All</i> |
| 4. Public Comment | <p>Dr. Stephen Hansen, Medical Association representative on the County Tobacco Control Coalition, asked for the Commission’s support of Proposition 29, a tax on cigarettes (approx. \$1.00 per pack) that will fund cancer research. This will be on the June 5th ballot. He also asked that the Commission interact with City and County elected officials and encourage them to endorse Prop 29.</p> <p>Dr. Hansen provided a few other updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ This Friday, one of the Nobel Prize winning “climate change” reality project speakers will be at the City/County Library from 5-7pm. He encouraged all to attend. The same speaker will be at Cal Poly the following day. ▪ The Housing Authority is now 100% tobacco free. ▪ All UC facilities will now be tobacco-free. He explained that tobacco-free is the word now instead of smoke-free to include ALL tobacco products. ▪ There is a legislative bill that has encouraged private renters and landlords to make their properties tobacco-free. Dr. Hansen asked for support from the Commission to encourage this. | | |
| 5. Update: County Pesticide Use Enforcement Program | <p>Marty Settevendemie, County Agricultural Commissioner, introduced the topic by talking about their mission and explaining their authority under the CA Department of Agriculture and the CA Department of Pesticide Regulation, to enforce laws & regulations in the CA Ag Code, the Business and Professions Code and the CA Code of Regulations. He provided an overview of some of their programs explaining that the more they do to prevent the introduction of pests, the better chance they have in preventing the widespread use of pesticides. Programs include: pest prevention (conducting programs to prevent the introduction of pests), pest exclusion (inspection of incoming plants), pest detection (early detection by setting insect traps throughout the county), pest eradication (at low levels before a widespread problem), pest diagnostic (identifying pests of concern), pest management, and direct marketing and product quality (performing inspections at farmer’s markets and organic production sites, to ensure consumers are able to make a clear distinction on what they are buying). (Commissioner Warren asked if they work with Cal Poly. <i>Mr. Settevendemie explained that there are areas where they collaborate & provide information to Cal Poly to help with some of their studies and programs.</i>)</p> | <i>Motion passed to invite the Regional Water Quality Control Board to speak about pesticide contamination of water at Oso Flaco Lake.</i> | |

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| | <p>Janice Campbell, Deputy Agricultural Commissioner, continued the presentation by providing an overview of the Pesticide Use Enforcement Program. She explained that the EPA and Department of Pesticide Regulation do evaluations for toxicology, exposure and environmental data and approve product labeling that describes legal requirements. The County Ag Department enforces labeling, regulations, and permits for restricted materials. She explained that the Pesticide Use Enforcement Program has three basic components: issuing permits, compliance monitoring and enforcement follow-up and that there are approximately 1300-1400 agricultural operations in the County that apply pesticides. Anyone who uses a pesticide to produce agricultural commodity is required to get an Operator ID number or a restricted materials permit from their office. Extra precautions are required near schools, homes, businesses, endangered species, ground water protection areas, & waterways. Their Department investigates all pesticide complaints and illnesses and averages about 50 complaints per year. They have a pesticide complaint line in Spanish & English, where persons can leave an anonymous message. For agricultural production and commercial applications, there is 100% use reporting requirements. All reporting goes into a state database, and information can be found (by county) on the Dept. of Pesticide Regulation website. The most commonly used pre-plant soil fumigants in SLO County are 1,3-Dichloropropene, Methyl Bromide, Metam Sodium and Chloropicrin. Methyl Bromide is being phased out, but still used under critical exemption until supplies run out in 2013 or 2014. There have been no requests for Methyl Iodide in SLO County. Ms. Campbell also provided an update on their Maintenance Gardener’s Program, where funding has “dried up” but they continue to offer continuing education with the UC Cooperative Extension Office and doing targeted inspections.</p> <p><u>Commissioner Comments/Questions:</u></p> <p>Chair Guereña asked if all inspections are unannounced. <i>(Ms. Campbell noted that most are unannounced; with the exception of re-inspections.)</i></p> <p>Chair Guereña asked about analysis done for groundwater protection. <i>(Ms. Campbell answered that the Department of Pesticide Regulation (Environmental Enforcement Monitoring group) does the analysis. They provide the Agricultural Department with areas they have defined as groundwater protection areas. The Agricultural Department’s regulations related to protecting ground water and surface water are based on what the Department of Pesticide Regulation has provided to them.)</i></p> <p>Commissioner Del Rio asked about controlling “noxious weed.” Mr. Settevendemie noted that the Ag Department has the authority to treat on public right of ways and has treated in the past, but funding has been limited. They have used a product called “Milestone,” but noxious weed is difficult to kill and takes a lot of perseverance. Commissioner Del Rio asked if they hold community workshops <i>(nothing in the recent past.)</i></p> <p>Commissioner Arnold thanked Commissioners Clous and Pope for taking the time to meet with staff from the Agricultural Department to review the Department’s Pesticide Use Program. He thanked the Agricultural Department for their professional staff, dedication and knowledge.</p> <p>Commissioner Arnold asked how the insecticide Imidacloprid (used on wine grapes and broccoli) is regulated. <i>(Ms. Campbell noted that Imidacloprid has multiple products and product labeling. There are very specific instructions on the label that need to be followed. She would have to read the label for specifics.)</i></p> <p>Commissioner Arnold referred to a report to the Commission last year about a pesticide pollution problem in Oso Flaco Lake and asked if that was still ongoing. <i>(Ms. Campbell explained that the State Water Board and the Department of Pesticide Regulation have a management agency agreement and both have jurisdiction over water. The Water Board uses the Clean Water Act for protecting the water for a wide range of pollutants and the Department of Pesticide Regulation is in charge of the use of pesticides and protecting water from contamination</i></p> | | |
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| | <p><i>based on use. The Central Coast Regional Water Quality Board would have more specifics on Oso Flaco Lake.)</i></p> <p>Commissioner Pope commended the Agricultural Department for the work that is being done. He was impressed that the industry itself is making some good choices in using less toxic compounds.</p> <p>Commissioner Arnold commented on BT corn, a type of genetically modified organism, and the fact that BT is a bacterial toxin and that corn that has BT engineered into it is a pesticide. He believes that BT corn should be under the same type of regulation as a grower using BT itself as a pesticide and that there is too much power in the hands of the Monsanto Corporation.</p> <p>Commissioner Arnold also commented on 1,3-Dichloropropene used on strawberries. He advised that 1,3-Dichloropropene is listed on the Prop 65 list of chemicals that cause cancer. The President’s Cancer Panel Report that came out in 2010 recommends taking a precautionary approach and phase out all cancer causing chemicals. He provided a handout listing the advantages of organically grown foods.</p> <p>Commissioner Arnold made a motion to invite a representative from the Regional Water Quality Control Board to speak about the pesticide contamination of water issue, as soon as possible. Motion seconded by Commissioner Enns. All in favor.</p> | | |
| <p>6. Presentation: Healthy Communities</p> | <p>Kathleen Karle, Division Manager, Public Health Department, introduced committee members from HEAL SLO who were in attendance tonight. She presented a Power Point overview on “Healthy Communities,” that provided background on HEAL SLO and some of the program work they have been involved in. She explained why “policy” is key in what they are doing. In 2010, the Governor convened a task force called Health in All Policies (HiAP). This task force was facilitated by the Department of Public Health, with an underlying concept that “we all have a role to play in creating healthy communities.” In May 2011, HEAL SLO invited Dr. Richard Jackson, a national expert on built environments, to speak in San Luis Obispo. A key message from Dr. Jackson was that public health language needs to be incorporated into City and County General Plans for walkable, bikeable, wheelable communities and transit-oriented mixed use development. Following Dr. Jackson’s presentation, there was a next day forum at the Government Center, facilitated by Supervisor Gibson. Next day recommendations included expanding the role of public health in reviewing and commenting on development projects and general plan updates.</p> <p>Chuck Stevenson, Long Range Planning Manager, Department of Planning & Building, was here tonight to talk about the proposed project referral process. He and Kathleen Karle met with Supervisor Adam Hill about the idea of having HEAL SLO being a recognized formal referral agency for projects that come to the Planning Department for individual development and general plan policies. They received endorsement and Mr. Stevenson explained that the proposed process will provide an opportunity for HEAL SLO and the Health Commission to comment and make suggestions on ways health issues might be introduced into these projects. He explained the types of projects that will be referred: multi-family housing, mixed use commercial, subdivision, and general plan updates. He explained the process: HEAL SLO is on a formal referral list so that all new projects that are relevant to HEAL SLO and the Health Commission will be sent to HEAL SLO for comment. When HEAL SLO receives the referral, there is a 30 day turnaround, with longer time periods for referral on Community Plan updates or General Plan updates. HEAL SLO has a committee committed to reviewing the plans and will send the Commission a copy of their written report on the short turnaround projects. On the longer plans, they will make comments and provide a brief presentation to the Commission. The Commission would then add their comments and send to the Planning Commission and ultimately, the</p> | <p><i>No formal action taken. The Commission expressed their interest in participating in the project referral process to comment and make suggestions on ways health issues might be introduced into Planning & Building development projects.</i></p> | |

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| | <p>Board of Supervisors. They were here tonight to receive feedback from the commission.</p> <p><u>Commissioner Comments/Questions:</u> Commissioner Guerena expressed his enthusiastic support of projects coming before the Health Commission. He suggested that projects not only be limited to housing projects, but include other projects where there is a health connection that would benefit the community. <i>(Ms. Karle clarified that the County would only have control over unincorporated areas. But if they are successful in this, they could perhaps outreach to City Planning Commissions. Mr. Stevenson will be attending a Planning Director’s meeting on February 24, where he will be discussing this process with other Planning Directors to receive their input and will ask them to talk to their council members and City Managers about emulating a similar process in each of their cities.)</i></p> <p>Commissioner Enns asked for more info on types of referral projects, process, and turnaround time for the Commission to comment. <i>(Ms. Karle explained that most of the projects would not require a presentation and the Health Commission will only receive a written report. But for Community Plans, they will present a brief overview of the plan to the Commission, identifying key policies and issues that are being incorporated for healthy communities strategies. HEAL SLO will review these projects first and forward their comments to the Commission. The actual report will come from the Health Commission, who will send it to the Planning Commission and on to the Board of Supervisors. Projects would include substantial subdivisions of land (a dozen or more lots, for example) or projects that have issues; not small individual parcels.)</i></p> <p><u>Public Comment:</u> Dr. Stephen Hanson talked about a projected 1% tax on sugary drinks that is being introduced in Congress. He would encourage such a tax that could be used for research and education about diseases associated with obesity, cancer, diabetes, etc.</p> | | |
| <p>7. Overview: Buy Local Policy</p> | <p>Kathleen Karle, Division Manager, Public Health Department, provided a Power Point overview of HEAL SLO’s policy initiative, “Buy Local Policy.” She explained that passing a “Buy Local Policy” would be symbolic and provide leadership to the rest of the community, and also support the local economy and ensure increased food security. The Buy Local committee, consisting of 11 members from HEAL SLO (including Health Commissioner Ed Guerena) spent the first couple of meetings defining “local” and came up with a three-tiered system: Tier 1 (organic and grown within SLO County); Tier 2 (grown within SLO County), Tier 3 (grown within 5 neighboring counties); and Tier 4 (grown within the State of California). She explained that the County only has control over purchasing food that is served in the Jail and Juvenile Services Center, which in FY 2010-11 amounted to \$595. The Committee has done research on who would be able to meet the need for supplying local produce and found one distributor “All About Produce.” The committee also researched other “Buy Local Policies” and found that Woodbury County, Iowa had the first Buy Local Policy that was based on food served in their Jail and Juvenile Services. They have also researched local restaurants and grocery stores and found that many are buying local produce.</p> <p>The Buy Local Committee met with each of the Board of Supervisors on January 18, 2012; who were supportive and suggested that they talk to the Farm Bureau, Agricultural Commissioner and the Health Commission to gather support. They also spoke with General Services who handles the purchasing in the County. The most controversial issue concerns were the term “organic” and “climate change.” Their goals are to get a “Buy Local Policy” passed in the County and then move to each of the 7 cities, followed by the schools, who have significant food purchasing power. Ms. Karle was here tonight to ask for a letter of support from the Health Commission and was open to questions and suggestions.</p> | <p><i>Motion passed to support HEAL SLO’s Policy Initiative and adoption of a Buy-Local Policy.</i></p> | |

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| | <p><u>Commissioner Comments/Questions:</u> Commissioner Clous asked about County policy impact. <i>(Ms. Karle explained this would be an internal policy that would direct County staff to purchase “buying local whenever possible” for the Jail and Juvenile Services.)</i> Commissioner Enns asked if cost would be an impediment. <i>(Ms. Karle noted the draft policy has a 5% leeway written into it; if the cost goes above 5%, then policy allows going outside the tiers and buying wherever you can.)</i> Commissioner Clous asked if local vendors are available. <i>(Ms. Karle explained that there are local distributors and vendors; but not everything will be available from them.)</i> Commissioner Arnold asked if they plan to specify “certified organic.” <i>(Ms. Karle noted that they have heard opinions on both sides, and haven’t made a decision on that yet.)</i> Commissioner Arnold emphasized his preference that genetic engineering be eliminated all together, but if allowed, it should at least be labeled as such. Commissioner Enns commented on the importance of a public information component of this policy and asked Ms. Karle what she would like to be included in the letter from the Commission. <i>(Ms. Karle explained a simple letter stating the Commission’s support of HEAL SLO’s policy initiative and adoption of a Buy-Local Policy.)</i> Marty Settevendemie, County Agricultural Commissioner, clarified that in order to use the term “organic,” a grower must meet state regulations, but if they are to utilize that label and make less than \$5,000 per year, they need to be registered with the County and if they make over \$5,000, they need to be “certified organic.” Commissioner Quinn noted that she works with Georgia Brown Elementary School in Paso Robles, who serves fresh fruit every day that is prepared on site and is often local.</p> <p><i>Commissioner Arnold made a motion that the support HEAL SLO’s policy initiative and adoption of a Buy-Local policy . Motion seconded by Commissioner Enns; all in favor.</i></p> | | |
| <p>8. Overview: No Smoking Ordinance</p> | <p>Kathleen Karle, Division Manager, Public Health Department, continued her Power Point presentation providing an overview of the “Proposed Smoking Ban on County Owned Property, amendment to County Code Section 8.22.” She provided background information on smoking and the health consequences of involuntary smoking (secondhand smoke), noting that in 1990, the City of San Luis Obispo was the first city in the world to ban smoking in public buildings, including restaurants and bars. She talked about how California has been a leader in tobacco control efforts, with the most recent focus to ban smoking in outdoor areas. In San Luis Obispo County, Pismo Beach, Arroyo Grande, Atascadero and the City of SLO have outdoor smoking bans. Morro Bay and Grover Beach are also considering.</p> <p>Ms. Karle explained that it has been a long process in bringing this ordinance forward. The ordinance as it is currently written will “ban smoking on all County property, including buildings or structures owned, leased, concessioned or otherwise operated by the County of SLO, and all land appurtenant to those buildings or structures, including, but not limited to, parking lots, walkways, landscapes and patios. This includes County Park lands and facilities such as golf courses, lakes, campground, trails and parks.” On January 6, 2012, the County Parks and Recreation Commission recommended language be included banning “all tobacco products.” Ms. Karle explained the difference between the ordinance as currently written “banning smoking” and the Parks & Recreation recommendation for “banning all tobacco products.” The ordinance as currently drafted “banning smoking” will go to the Board of Supervisors on February 28, with a hearing date set for June 19.</p> <p><u>Commissioner Comments/Questions:</u> Commissioner Arnold asked for more information about Parks and Recreation Department’s reason for banning</p> | <p><i>Motion passed to support the “No Smoking on County Property” Ordinance</i></p> | |

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| | <p>smokeless tobacco in addition to smoking. (Ms. Karle explained that Dr. Hansen attended the Parks & Rec meeting and talked to them about being as aggressive as possible in seeking tobacco free opportunities for citizens. She explained that it would be much more difficult from an enforcement standpoint, but a cleaner ordinance. She also emphasized that they want to move the ordinance forward as soon as possible and are happy with the ordinance as it is written.)</p> <p>Dr. Stephen Hansen explained how San Luis Obispo County can be an exemplar for health. Specifying “tobacco” instead of “smoking” helps people get away from the rift of tobacco, it doesn’t pollute the streams and groundwater or pollute the surface areas where pets and children play. He noted that UC just came out with their decision – no tobacco on their property. He recommends a comprehensive, solid policy that you don’t have to come back to.</p> <p>Commissioner Del Rio asked if the ordinance would include beaches. (Ms. Karle explained that it would include the Dunes, the only County owned beach.)</p> <p>Commissioner Del Rio asked about enforcement. (Dr. Borenstein explained that with most smoking ordinances that prohibit use in public places, the vast majority comply and very little enforcement is needed, but there are fines built into the ordinance.)</p> <p>Commissioner Del Rio asked about recreational areas and if signs will be posted. (Dr. Borenstein explained that County employees and other park personnel would be asked to courteously remind anyone smoking of the rules and ask them to disengage. Some signs will be placed.)</p> <p>Commissioner Blonsley asked about legal issues/challenges. (Ms. Karle explained that County Counsel has been involved in every step of development of the ordinance and that it is legal for a jurisdiction to ban tobacco. They do not anticipate any legal challenges. Dr. Hansen added that the UC system went through an extensive legal analysis before they enacted.)</p> <p>Dr. Borenstein explained staff’s recommendation at this time is to ask the Health Commission to support the No Smoking Ordinance as currently drafted, in order to take the next step forward. The commission could add an additional statement that they would also support a Tobacco Free Ordinance.</p> <p>Ms. Karle provided a copy of the letter of support of the ordinance from the First 5 Commission.</p> <p>Commissioner Del Rio made a motion to support the No Smoking Ordinance as is currently drafted, adding an additional statement in support of a Tobacco Free Ordinance, if the ordinance turns into that. Motion seconded by Commissioner Arnold. Discussion: Commissioner Enns emphasized that it should be made clear that the Commission’s preference is that the Ordinance be tobacco free, but they want to get this issue introduced and on the table. All in favor.</p> <p>Public Comment: Dr. Stephen Hansen offered to come back to the Commission to give a presentation on The Cancer Act or any related topic.</p> | | |
| | <p>Chair Guerena called for a 5 minute break. Meeting called back to order at 8:20 pm.</p> | | |
| <p>9. Review of Draft Letter to The Tribune in Support of Operation Medicine Cabinet</p> | <p>Chair Guerena provided a copy of the draft letter to <i>The Tribune</i> (drafted by Commissioner Quinn) that included one revision by him.</p> <p>Commissioner Clous suggested that the letter also include the contact information for the 7 police departments and the 3 Sheriff’s substations. Commissioner Quinn noted that the Tribune may have a limit in the number of words they will print in a letter to the editor, but possibly would print as an editorial.</p> <p>Commissioner Raymond made a motion to accept and send the letter as edited by Chair Guerena, with the addition of the police departments and Sheriff’s substation’s addresses and phone numbers. Motion seconded by Commissioner Clous. All in favor.</p> | <p><i>Motion passed to send a letter to The Tribune in support of Operation Medicine Cabinet.</i></p> | |

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| <p>10. Health Agency / Public Health Report</p> | <p>Penny Borenstein, MD, County Health Officer, provided a brief report on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Trauma Center Designation: A recommendation to approve a contract with Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center to operate as a designated Trauma Center in SLO County will be going forward to the Board of Supervisors tomorrow. ▪ Consumption of Raw Milk: There have been several cases of bacteria infection in residents in a few California counties and in the East (Pennsylvania) that have been linked to the consumption of raw milk. Dr. Borenstein wanted to make the public aware that the consumption of raw milk is not recommended. <i>(Commissioner Arnold asked if the link to raw milk was from an organism introduced by humans into the milk or a disease organism that was in the cow. Dr. Borenstein referred to the situation in the East where the milk coming out of the cow was found to be infected with these organisms, rather than during the manufacturing, preparation, or distribution process.)</i> ▪ Operation Medicine Cabinet: A link to the Operation Medicine Cabinet brochure has been placed on the Public Health Department’s website. ▪ The Emergency Medical Services Agency has formed an adhoc subcommittee on “community CPR.” Mike Groves, of San Luis Ambulance, is heading this up along with other members of the Emergency Medical Care Committee to do extensive outreach and get CPR training into the hands of as many County residents as possible. This will be “hands only” CPR, a change from the American Heart Association. Representative Lois Capps’ Office has expressed interest in helping in this endeavor. | | |
| <p>11. Health Commissioner Updates</p> | <p>Chair Guerena: Read a thank you email from Commissioner Odell, who recently resigned from the Health Commission.</p> <p>Commissioner Pope: Deferred to Commissioner Clous for a report on their review of the Agricultural Department’s Pesticide Use Program.</p> <p>Commissioner Arnold: Commended the Commissioners for all being present tonight. He reported that he attended the HIV Care Consortium meeting where there was a report on the Syringe Exchange Program and its success in helping to limit the transmission of HIV and Hep C.</p> <p>Commissioner Quinn: Reported that she was invited by Supervisor Patterson to an annual meeting that he facilitates that includes representatives from various commissions in the County. She provided a brief presentation at the meeting, with an update on commission members and a report on specific topics and actions that have been taken up by the commission over the past year.</p> <p>Commissioner Clous: Reported on a recent review of the Ag Department’s Pesticide Use Program that was done by the Health Commission’s Pesticide Use Committee (Commissioners Arnold, Clous and Pope). The committee reviewed pesticide use enforcement logs, pesticide use program work plans, program statistics 2008-2010 and a copy of the Annual Report. The committee individually reviewed data and developed a list of questions and comments that were all received and answered by the Ag Department to the committee’s satisfaction. Commissioner Clous’ review of compliance monitoring data showed an overall compliance rate of 96.2% for inspections done 2008-2010 and that there are 6 types of inspections done; with pesticide use and applications receiving the highest number of inspections. “Following labels” was the #1 inspection violation. Based on the review of compliance monitoring data, Commissioner Clous believes the Ag Department is meetings it’s mission “to protect people, the environment, and the food supply by ensuring the safe use of pesticides in SLO County.”</p> <p>Commissioner Clous also referred to the 2005/2006 Grand Jury Report “<i>Pesticide Use in the Agricultural/Urban Interface</i>” that included 6 findings and 6 recommendations, 4 of which were</p> | | |

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| | <p>directed to the Ag Department. #1 was use of Methyl Bromide, which continues to be used, but is decreasing in use. A review of critical use exemptions showed that from 2006-2011, an average of 15 exemptions were issued and 496 acres treated. By 2013/14, the supply of Methyl Bromide will be depleted and other substitutes will start to be used. Another finding put forth by the Grand Jury asked if the fines levied on growers were stringent enough to defer infractions. Commissioner Clous found, based on his review, that the fines on growers, employers and pest control companies were consistent with laws and regulations and that the Ag Department made every effort to be fair in assessing fines. There were also findings in the Grand Jury Report relative to school safety and a recommendation that restrictive pesticides be prohibited on school grounds. The Ag Department disagreed with this recommendation, providing protocol for the use of restricted pesticides and showing there are certain restricted pesticides under the law that could be used on school grounds. Although the Ag Department agreed with most of the findings, they provided a complete justification in their response to those recommendations that they did not agree with.</p> <p>Commissioner Enns: No report. Commissioner Warren: No report. Commissioner Del Rio: Asked for the Commission’s support to invite a representative from <i>Life Long Learners of the Central Coast</i> (a new organization affiliated with the Community Foundation) to speak at next month’s meeting. Commissioner Sage: Reported that the Preventive Health Grant Committee received 51 applications, totaling 1.3 million dollars in requests. Funding this year has been reduced to \$346,000. The committee will begin reviewing applications soon and will be making their recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. Commissioner Raymond: No report. Commissioner Blonsley: No report.</p> | | |
| <p>12. Committee Reports</p> | <p>Commissioner Arnold noted that there is a vacancy on the Nominating Committee with the recent resignation of David Odell and asked for a volunteer from the Commission to serve on this committee.</p> | | |
| <p>13. Prospective Future Items</p> | <p><u>Next meeting: Monday, March 12, 2012</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Invite Regional Water Quality Control Board for an update on pesticides / Oso Flaco Lake ▪ Invite Environmental Health for an update on their website ▪ Life Long Learners of the Central Coast (<i>Commissioner Del Rio will coordinate w/speaker</i>) <p><u>April 2012</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Alzheimer’s Association / Project Life Saver | | |
| <p>14. Adjournment</p> | <p>Motion to adjourn at 8:42.</p> | <p><i>Meeting adjourned.</i></p> | |