

# **Macon County SWCD Board Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting May 22, 2026, 8:30am**

Call to Order – **8:37 Chase B, Austin P, Mark L, Lynnette R, Dylan K, Delaney H, Meadow S**

Approve March Minutes – **Austin Motioned, Mark 2<sup>nd</sup> 4-0 Pass**

Treasurers Report – **Mark Motioned, Austin 2<sup>nd</sup> 4-0 Pass**

## **Old Business**

- Status Update PFC –
  - 2025 PFC
    - Application window open, share with people in conversation! **District has one application in.**
- Grants
  - Submitted 2026 TA Grant Application, received first TA Grant payment **We are expecting a \$40,000 payment**
- Agreements
  - Meadow has begun contracting **for CRP**
- Completed Outreach/Events
  - Fish and Tree Sale **Both sales successful**
  - CAT Tree Sale **Staff had a bit of a time crunch to pack the trees but it was overall successful and CAT was happy with the trees.**
  - Agucation **Staff taught a layers of the soil lesson to 3 schools of 5<sup>th</sup> Graders**
  - Festival of Spring **Bareroot trees were not a hit, the rest of the trees were donated to MCCD**
- Other

## **New Business**

- Cover Crop Field Day **Board voiced concerns over not having enough time to put something together before July (ideal time to host) as well as being able to provide something new and exciting as many field days are similar. Board was also concerned about cost since the grant was only for \$750. Suggestions were made to make it more attainable if we chose to follow through with hosting including partnering with IL Soybean, hosting it at the farm progress plots, moving it to November, including more or different practices, or making it dust-storm focused. Staff will do more research to see what is feasible.**
- MS4 Workshop Fall 2026 **Chris Entler was suggested as a potential speaker, board suggested \$200 for the honorarium for speakers.**
- CPRG contracts are signed, payment goes out after verification
- Summer Conference in Peoria **Board advised staff that Monday was the most important day to attend but left the decision up to staff descretion.**

## **Staff Update**

- NRCS Update – If Present
  - **\$20 million funded for EQIP, Dylan met with the City of Decatur who us reapplying for a new RCPP for Big, Long, Sand, and Findlay Creeks, FSA compliance review list has been pulled for HEL/wetlands, Lynnette us working on CSP interviews, Dylan is speaking at a LICA presentation on edge-of-field practices July 9<sup>th</sup>**
- Delaney – Level 1 complete and Level 2 Online Training completed in 2024
- Meadow - Level 1 complete and Level 2 Online Training completed in 2024
  - Both attended Conservation Planner 2, Meadow completed Soil Health Training