Southern Guam Soil and Water Conservation District





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Southern Soil and Water Conservation District
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 26, 2025 4:00 PM
University of Guam, College of Natural and Applied Sciences Building, Rm 202

MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order at 4:15 PM.
- District Director Martha Tenorio conducted roll call, confirming a quorum.

Board of Directors:

- Chairperson: Michael Aguon Present
- Vice Chairperson: Glenn Takai Present
- District Director: Glenn Dulla Present
- District Director: Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza Present (online)
- District Director: Martha Tenorio Present

Staff:

- District Administrator: Erica Pangelinan Present
- Program Support Specialist: Jon Tanuvasa Present
- Conservation Technician: Madeline Flores Present
- Project Director: Geraldine Datuin Present
- Conservation Associate: Daeline Pangelinan Present
- Conservation Associate: Jonathan Borja Present

Also Present:

- UOG Technical Advisor: Mark Acosta
- USDA APHIS Wildlife Services: Chad Richardson
- **II. Acceptance of Meeting Agenda** Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai motioned to accept the agenda as well as what it posted in the Guam Daily Post. District Director Martha Tenorio seconded the motion, which carried without objection.
- III. Approval of Minutes (01/15/25) (1/30/25) District Director Martha Tenorio motioned to approve the minutes of January, 15, 2025, with corrections to tabling the minutes of January 30, 2025 pending approval during the next bi-monthly partner

meeting. District Director Dr. Glenn Dulla seconded the motion, which carried without objection.

IV. Treasurer's Report — District Director Martha Tenorio presented the Southern District Treasurers report. As follows

• Account Balances as of 02/26/2025

• General Fund: \$81,845.26

• Stress Grant: \$1,970.49 (pending closure)

• NACD TA 2023: \$11,111.89

• Feral Swine Account: \$4,453,56

• GACD TA2021: \$23,858.90

- Other Updates: Taxes for 2024 have been filed, and payments made to the U.S. Treasury for FICA; W2s and 1099s have been distributed; Taxes for 2023 filed. 2026 Budget Submitted 02/17/2025 in the amount \$537,400. Ratify
- Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai made a motion to ratify the 2026 Budget submitted on February 17, 2025 in the amount of \$537,400.00. District Director Dr. Glenn Dulla seconded the motion. Carried without objection.
- Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai motioned to accept the Treasurers Report. District Director Dr. Glenn Dulla seconded the motion. Carried without objection.

V. USDA NRCS District Conservationist Report

 Inquire into the process for approving conservation plans during board meetings.

VI. Southern District Membership Update:

 Conservation Technician Madeline Flores reports the addition of eight new members to the organization. She also provided an overview on the classification of land ownership, clearly distinguishing between private and public lands.

VII. Old Business

A. Next Generation Leadership Institute Cohort

- Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai expressed sincere appreciation to the SWCD Districts in support in his successful completion of the NGLI program.
- Board congratulated Vice-Chairperson Director Glenn Takai!
- Reimbursement for attendance to be submitted to NACD.

B. 2025 NACD Annual Meeting

- The Delegation presented trip report on the 2025 NACD Annual meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah from February 07-12, 2025.
- Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai made a motion to approve the travel report submitted and ensure reimbursements are disbursed accordingly.

• District Director Martha Tenorio seconded the motion. Carried without objection.

C. 2025 Annual CIS Conference & Educators Symposium

• Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai made a motion to approve three (3) graduate credits, UOG CIS Educators Symposium 2025 curriculum, and agenda. District Director Glenn Dulla seconded the motion. Carried without objection.

D. GACD TA 2020 Grant

• Chairperson Michael Aguon, Clarified both Northern and Southern SWCD are to return fund and reallocated via GACD. By laws to be worked on.

E. NACD TA Grant 2024 Award

• District Administrator Erica Pangelinan will collaborate with UOG Technical Advisor Mark Acosta to submit Plan and MOA for further movement.

F. GEDA QCCC Grant Program Series Application

- Present proposal for the \$25,000 funding opportunity.
- Update: Pending notice of award. GEDA still evaluating should be sent within a week.

VIII. New Business

A. Feral Swine Perimeter Fence Program

- Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai made a motion to limit the eligibility requirements for the Feral Swine Perimeter Fence Management Program to farmers producing crops for farmlands, excluding individuals who may qualify under NRCS for native forests and are transitioning crop lands to pasture lands. District Director Martha Tenorio seconded the motion. An objection was raised by District Director Dr. Glenn Dulla. Discussion: District Director Dr. Glenn Dulla expressed his opinions regarding the eligibility criteria and provided input on the ranking of eligibility. Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai withdrew the original motion to restrict eligibility solely to farm producers. He proposed a revised motion to open eligibility to those with native lands who wish to protect them, including livestock protection, while prioritizing farm producers. District Director Glenn Dulla Seconded the revised motion. The motion carried without objection.
- Upcoming Outreach Workshops:
 - 3/15/25 : UOG CNAS Bldg. Room 104, 9:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m.
 - 3/17/25: Webinar via Zoom, 5:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
 - 3/21/25: Inalahan Mayor's Office, 5:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
- Upcoming capacity Training with NRCS:
 - JAA Certification Training (03/03/25 03/07/25)
 - Cultural Resources Training: (03/15/25 03/21/25)

• CPA-52 Training - via Jay Doronila (Week of 03/24/25)

B. 2025 Action Planning Session Results

 Approve official disbursement of Action Planning results, Board Meeting Minutes, and headshots. Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza and Erica Pangelinan to incorporate into Long Range Plan.

C. Stewardship Week & Guam Local Working Group

- Proclamation signing at the Governor's Office, April 04, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.
- Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai made a motion to build a Conservation
 Demonstration Site, and partner with the Inalåhan Mayor's Office for
 Stewardship Week. District Director Martha Tenorio seconded the motion. The
 motion carried without objection.

D. National Invasive Species Awareness Week Campaign

Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai made a motion to ratify the costs of \$1,250.00 associated with NISAW video for invasive species week. District Director Martha Tenorio seconded the motion. The motion carried without objection.

E. NACD Executive Board Leadership Visit - American Samoa (2/27/25 - 3/7/25)

- Approve Michael Aguon's attendance to American Samoa with NACD Leadership. Travel Expenses to be reimbursed by NACD.
- Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai made a motion to approve Chairperson Michael Aguon's attendance at the Executive Board Leadership in American Samoa.
 Travel expenses are to be reimbursed by NACD. District Director Martha Tenorio seconded the motion. The motion carried without objection.

F. NACD Spring Fly-In — March 26, 2025

- District Director Martha Tenorio made a motion to confirm Southern Guam SWCD participation and send two Board Directors and staff to the NACD Spring Fly-In on March 26, 2025. District Director Dr. Glenn Dulla seconded the motion. Carried without objection.
- Recommendation: District Administrator Erica Pangelinan discussed the importance of meeting with the Southern District Mayors. District Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza, spoke with Mayor Kevin Susuico of Agat and Santa Rita Mayor Dale Alvarez.

IX. Collateral Boards and Committees

- NACD Committees and Sub Committees Chairman Guon and Director Takai to further work with NGSWCD Chairperson Joseph Santos and NACD President Gary Blair to clarify roles of Guam
- USDA NRCS STAC January 28, Via Zoom

- SWCD Election March 11, 2025, 4:00 PM UOG CNAS Room 202
- Guam Watershed Planning Committee March 12, 9AM, Governors Complex
- Wildland Fire Committee Meeting March 14, 10 a.m. 11:30 a.m., DOAG

X. Board Correspondence

• Unatalan Middle School Science Fair — March 12, 2025, 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. SGSWCD to send representatives.

XI.Public Comment/Announcements

Meeting Minutes completed by:

Daeline Pangelinan Conservation Associate

• Charter Day — March 06, 2025.

XII.Next Meeting

• The FY2025 Bi-Monthly Partner Meeting session is scheduled for 03/12/2025.

XIII.Adjournment

• The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 PM.

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| Approved By: | 03/19/2025 | |
| Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza | Date | |
| Secretary MEDAT | 03/19/2025 | |
| Michael E.D. Aguon | Date | |
| Chairperson | | |