

update on her work with University of CA researchers in development a nutrient management decision support form/tool.

Budget and Finances (Review & Approval)

P. Robins/Directors

Monthly Financial Statements and Bills: P. Robins presented the financial statements regarding Accounts Receivable, Payables and Bank balances for the periods ending November 21 and December 19, 2013. The accrual account balance on November 21 stood at \$153,854.93, and the December 19 balance was \$151,986.78, with \$20,063.84 in the Chase Bank and County Treasury accounts (taking into account checks to be signed at the meeting), \$54,752 in liabilities, and \$186,675.04 due to the RCD as receivables from various grants and outstanding invoices. By comparison, the Accrual accounting balance for District Funds stood at \$150,869.15 on October 24, 2013.

P. Robins presented the list of detailed expenses paid in November and to be paid in December, including bi-weekly salary through December 6, one-time and recurring miscellaneous expenses and reimbursement for expenses incurred during the months of November and December. Approval for the November financial statements and for November expenses from the Chase Bank account was motioned by R. King, seconded by S. Cobb and passed by a 6-0 vote.

Program Updates

P. Robins/ R. Shihadeh/ B. Burgoa

- R. Shihadeh and P. Robins described a small chipper program being supported by the Air Pollution Control District through an MOU with the RCD. Up to \$5,000 worth of funding is available for reimbursement to homeowners and homeowner groups conducting fire fuel load reduction projects around their homes at a maximum of \$500/site or group. For 2014, Rami will assist Carmel Valley landowners with this program under his watershed coordinator grant.
- R. Shihadeh described his progress in leading the update to the Carmel River Watershed Action Plan, which he expects to have complete (in partnership with other members of the Carmel River Task Force) by spring 2014.
- Board members requested a visual presentation of various RCD projects be provided at the January meeting.
- B. Burgoa described his work distributing erosion control grass seed and straw for ~20 growers in north Monterey County in partnership with RCD of Santa Cruz. He also noted that there are 8 potential farm water quality improvement projects under development for the Proposition 84-funded Irrigation and Nutrient Management Program, as conceived by UC Cooperative Extension and Central Coast Wetlands Group partners. Mr. Burgoa has been requested to assist with engineering design for one of the latter group's projects, on a fee-for-service basis.
- R. Shihadeh described meeting with community members in Big Sur affected by the Pfeiffer Ridge fire and noticed a change in how much more the RCD is recognized in the area than it was 5 years ago after the Basin Complex fire, a reflection on the higher level of activity the RCD has had in the region during that period.

Closing Discussion

Directors

None.

12:20 P.M.

Meeting Adjourned

P. Binsacca

The next Regular RCD meeting will be held:

Date: **January 16, 2014, 10:00 A.M.**

Location: **RCDMC Office, 744-A LaGuardia Street, Salinas, CA**