



## PUTNAM SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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### Regular Board Meeting Minutes

**Date: January 17, 2019**

**Present:** Theo Siehler, Chairman  
J. R. Newbold, Vice Chairman  
Doug Doran, Supervisor  
Jody Lee, FDACS  
Lakeisha Barber, NRCS  
Wendy Mussoline, IFAS  
Gina Allen, Secretary

Meeting called to order at 8:35 a.m.  
Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.  
Bank balance as of 01/01/19 - \$48,725.18

#### **Old Business:**

Bank card paperwork ready for Newbold to sign.  
J. R. made a motion to purchase a pre-paid credit with a \$500.00 limit to use for online purchases. Doran seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.  
Audit completed for year end 9/30/17 thru 9/30/18.

#### **New Business:**

Election of Officers. Doran made a motion to keep the office as is. J. R. seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Help needed to set up Fair Display.

District projects was the next item discussed. Soil mapping was discussed. Lee informed the Board of the VERIS Technology Company. The company designs, builds and markets soil sensors and controls for precision agriculture. Lee suggested the SWCD hold a workshop with the vendor by setting up a demonstration using the soil probes. The soil probe could provide help with the amount of fertilizer applied and how much nitrogen is in the plant. Mussoline will invite a specialist to the next SWCD board meeting to discuss the VERIS program.

Lee stated Suwannee County has an interagency meeting every month to discuss programs offered in that area. He suggested the Board could sponsor a breakfast meeting for the growers in our area.

Lee stated Hemp was approved as a commodity with the new farm bill.

Mussoline state the position of Program Extension II for the St. Johns County IFAS is available.

#### **DC Report: LaKeisha R. Barber**

See attached

#### **Open Floor:**

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

No further discussion. The meeting adjourned at 9:56. The next regular board meeting will be held on February 21, 2019.

