



## SWITZERLAND COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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### Supervisors Present

Ken Briggs  
John Schroer  
David Schuler  
Chase Kelso

### SWCD Present

Cheryl Furnish  
Katie Collier

### Guests Present

Mark Thomas  
Gary Bennett

### Not Present

Jeanette Andrew

### NRCS Present

Matt Jarvis

### Local Area Resource Concern Meeting

Matt went over the results from the LARC in 2016 and allowed time for questions and discussion. Everyone present completed a form for the 2017 meeting. Matt will tally the results and report back the findings.

### Previous Board Minutes

The minutes from the August meeting were reviewed. David moved and Chase seconded to approve the minutes and all were in favor. Board members present signed the minutes.

### Financial Report

The claims were reviewed. David moved and Chase seconded to pay the claims and all were in favor. Board members present signed the account payable voucher register.

### Forage Meeting -Cost Share and Goat Workshop

A forage meeting will be held on Monday, October 2nd at 6:30 at Bear Branch Fire Department. The District is paying for two forage samples per producer. The forage analysis will be discussed by Jill Richards and Chuck Deputy will be discussing the FSA low rate loan for hay storage. A kidding/lambing workshop will be held on Monday, October 30th at 6:30 at Bear Branch Fire Department. The SWCD is working with Purdue Extension on this.

### Annual Conference

The IASWCD Annual Conference will take place on January 8th through the 10th in Indianapolis. The Peterson Brothers will be the opening session speakers. More details to come on the schedule and speakers.

### Forestry Field Day

The 5th grade day will take place on September 21st from 9-11:30 at the fair grounds. There will be five different presenters along with Snake Head Ed. The District bought trees for each student with the help of a donation from the family of Paul LeTang.

**Employee Evaluations**

Evaluations will take place at the October meeting.

**Indian-Kentuck Watershed**

\$38,000 paid to producers to date in the three participating counties. A \$2500 payment was recently paid for completed practices in Jefferson County. The board discussed the grazing conference and Dr. Pol.

**Technician Report**

Cheryl handed out the drill report. The no-till was used for 17 acres in June-August and the Brillion for 22 acres for a total of \$378. She will take the no-till back to Norris for storage over the winter and he will do some small repairs. The board discussed the seed boxes on the Brillion.

**NRCS**

Matt discussed the 2017 obligated contract numbers for Dearborn, Ohio and Switzerland Counties. The three add up to \$246,901.82 in EQIP obligated funds.

**Other**

Mark Thomas discussed water way work in surrounding counties. This is the fifth and final year for the funded EPRI contracts. EPRI still has money for tree plantings in Indiana. They will pay one time for trees to be planted in cropland. Mark also discussed the CCSI project. A thank you note was presented to the board for 4H plaque sponsorship. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:45. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 4th at 7:00pm beginning with Employee Evaluations.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie Collier