Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District Board Meeting Minutes March 3, 2011

<u>Call to Order</u> Meeting called to order by Chairman; David King at 6:00 PM

Board Members in Attendance

David King; Chair, Lewis Fisher; Vice-Chair, Bill King; Secretary/Treasurer, Mark Anaya; Member, Leo Smith; Member and Patricia Ayre; Member

Board Members Absent & Excused

Juan Sanchez; Member

Others Present

Richard Shovelin; Region II Chair, Mike Jones; District Conservationist, George Duda, Kelly Smith; District Technician and Brenda Smythe; District Manager

<u>Approval of Agenda</u> Bill motioned for approval of the agenda, second by Pat, motion carried.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u> Leo motioned for approval of the January meeting minutes, second by Mark, motion carried.

<u>Treasurer Report</u> Brenda reviewed the Treasurer's Report.

<u>Reports</u> <u>Administrative / Technical Staff</u> See Attached

NRCS ~ Mike Jones; District Conservationist Mike Jones presented his report – See Attached

STATE LAND OFFICE Not in attendance.

<u>NMDA</u> Report reviewed by Brenda. See Attached

<u>FSA</u> Not in attendance

Correspondence

The letters from East Torrance SWCD and Gibson & Leonard, PC (attorney for Claunch-Pinto SWCD) were reviewed and discussed. These letters are in reference to the cost-share incentive program provided by the East Torrance SWCD to landowners on WTB Contracts.

This subject has been discussed for several months. The Estancia Basin Watershed Health and Restoration Steering Committee as well as Claunch-Pinto SWCD have frozen the funds to the East Torrance SWCD until this issue can be resolved.

Old Business

Audit Status

Staff is working with CPA Farley Vener, to complete the Districts audits through 2010.

New Business

RFP - NMDA

Staff spoke to the board regarding the RFP from NMDA for the Technical Service Providers. Edgewood SWCD will apply.

Section 18 Agreement

The Section 18 Agreement was discussed. The board will offer Social Security to their employees therefore the District will hold an Individual Choice Election for employees on June 2nd. The Resolution was passed and signed. Brenda will work with Toni Holcomb on this issue.

Building Use Request

Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) has requested to hold a week-long training in our building this fall. However, during the time requested staff is unable to handle this request.

Meeting time change

Staff requested that the meeting time be changed. After discussion the request was denied at this time.

Public Comment

George Duda updated the board and staff on the Think Trees Conference and National Foresters Association Conference coming to Albuquerque.

Next Board Meeting

Staff will be at a CFRP training in Santa Fe on April 6th – 8th, so the April meeting will be held on April 14, 2011.

Adjournment

Motion for meeting adjournment at 7:35 PM by Lewis.

Bill King, Secretary/Treasurer