

**PACD Operations Committee
Videoconference Minutes
January 19, 2024**

Welcome and Roll Call

1st Vice President Emil Bove welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. Emil asked everyone to introduce themselves.

Committee members in attendance: Emil Bove, Westmoreland; Chuck Duritsa, Westmoreland; Michael Hubler, Northumberland; Randall Leisure, Lebanon; Blaine Smith, Blair; Jason Childs, Potter; Jay Russell, Mercer; Seleen Shives, Fulton; Christopher Thompson, Lancaster; Sandy Thompson, McKean; Erica Tomlinson, Tioga

Guests and staff in attendance: Cait Skibiel, DEP; Adam Stern, Lancaster; Jeff Hill, York; Dean Druckenmiller, Berks; Janet Creegan, DEP; Brenda Shambaugh, PACD; Amy Brown, PACD; Molly Burns, PACD

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting on July 14, 2023, were provided for review.

It was moved by Erica Tomlinson and seconded by Sandy Thompson to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2023, meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Resolutions from PACD Committees

No motions or resolutions were presented.

Resolutions from the PACD Region Meetings

- Policy on Proposed Amendment to the Clean Streams Law
The resolutions from the PACD region meetings were provided for review. Five regions voted to support the original proposed policy from the PACD Legislative Committee, which was developed in response to proposed legislation to amend the Clean Streams Law to allow municipalities and administrative agencies of the Commonwealth to require streambank fencing for livestock. The PACD South West Region proposed an amended version of the policy, which supports allowing administrative agencies, but not municipalities, to require fencing along a stream. Only one of the following policies may be adopted by Council.
 - PACD recognizes the significant environmental benefit of streambank fencing in a pasture used for grazing to restrict livestock access to the stream. PACD supports education and incentives for voluntary installation of streambank fencing as opposed to legislation allowing administrative agencies of the Commonwealth and municipalities to require fencing along a stream.

- PACD recognizes the significant environmental benefit of streambank fencing in a pasture used for grazing to restrict livestock access to the stream. PACD supports education and incentives for voluntary installation of streambank fencing. PACD is in favor of allowing administrative agencies of the Commonwealth to require fencing along a stream. PACD is opposed to allowing municipalities to require fencing along a stream.

It was moved by Sandy Thompson and seconded by Mike Hubler to forward both motions to PACD Executive Council. Motion carried.

Adjournment

It was moved by Blaine Smith and seconded by Jason Childs to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 AM.