

DID YOU KNOW?



Interesting Facts & Anecdotes

from your District Operations and Member Services Committee

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Did you know?....

1. Voting is the prime duty of all district officials.
2. District meetings are "open" so the public can know (a) what actions are taken and decisions made and (b) the information and bases on which decisions are made.
3. According to the New Irreverent Scriptures, "Where two or more are gathered together in the name of the state to conduct the work of a conservation district, there shall be an open meeting.
4. Meeting minutes are public records (a) capturing the actions taken and (b) recording brief synopses of key issues discussed, reports received, and documents referenced.
5. An individual district official may be given authority by a board vote to act on behalf of the board in specific, limited tasks.
6. The day after Black Sunday, April 14, 1935, an Associated Press reporter used the term "Dust Bowl" for the first time.
7. Isolationism hasn't worked well anywhere it has been tried. Conservation districts just cannot "go it alone". Partnering has many benefits. Being isolationist has only one.
8. Resource management is best achieved by a locally-led, voluntary, holistic, and incentive-driven approach.
9. All district funds from whatever source are considered "public monies".
10. Earl Garber knows Troy Landry who is on History Channel's "Swamp People". Go figure!

Making every Did You Know? statement be completely accurate for all states is impossible. The DO/MS Committee requests your understanding. We also invite you to find out what your state and local laws and policies say about any particular item.