



LODI RULES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: Monday, April 13, 2026
Time: 12pm
Place: Lodi Winegrape Commission, 2545 W Turner Rd, Lodi CA 95242

1. The meeting was **called to order** at 12:08pm by Committee Chairman Pieter den Hartog.
2. **Roll Call:**

First Name	Last Name	Attended
Kendra	Altnow	
Warren	Bogle	
Pieter A.	den Hartog	x
Bruce	Fry	x
Charlie	Hamilton	x
Dirk	Heuvel	x
Madelyn	Kolber	
Stanton	Lange	x
Daniel	Meyers	x
Steve	Quashnick	x

A quorum was established. Others present – Dr. Stephanie Bolton and Stuart Spencer (LWC Staff) and Mohrgan Fry (Mohr-Fry Ranches).

3. Motion to **approve** December 9, 2025 meeting **minutes** (Exhibit A). Quashnick/Hamilton – Motion carried. No “NO” votes and no abstentions.
4. **Public comment** on items appearing on the agenda: none.
5. **Program updates:**
 - The Committee discussed the current certification year, including how the LODI RULES Grower and Winery Annual Meeting went in January and how LODI RULES PEAS 2.0 is progressing.
 - Stephanie invited Committee members to the following Commission events related to sustainability, and encouraged them to help spread the word to the broader community:
 - Lodi Grower + UC Davis Mixer at Ruhstaller on April 30
 - Monthly IPM meeting at Burgundy Hall on May 5
 - Baby Barn Owl & Scientist Meet and Greet in the Demo Vineyard on May 21
 - Wildlife Field Day at Jessie’s Grove with Wild Farm Alliance and others on June 2
 - Pieter, Stephanie, Amy Hiser (Protected Harvest) and two auditors met for an annual Audit Alignment discussion on April 8.
 - Pieter led the Committee through a discussion of Chapter 2 in *Purposeful Brands* by Sandy Skees.

6. The **FY2025-26 Budget** was reviewed along with a **FY2026-27 Draft Budget Request**. Motion to approve the FY2026-27 Draft Budget Request as presented. Hamilton/Heuvel – Motion carried. No “NO” votes and no abstentions.
7. **Reports from other LWC Committees:**
 - Dr. Stephanie Bolton updated the Committee on Research, Education and Communication activities.
 - Stuart Spencer updated the Committee on the Lodi Winegrape Commission marketing activities and the five-year Commission referendum.
8. **Public comment** on items not appearing on the agenda: none.
9. **Future agenda items:** Committee roles, and the Committee will come prepared to discuss Chapter 3 in the book *Purposeful Brands* by Sandy Skees.
10. **Next meeting** will be on June 4, 2026 at 12pm.
11. **Meeting adjourned** at 1:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephanie Bolton, PhD
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