

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
WITH COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE
ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
December 4, 2014 @ 8:00 a.m.

Director Sidhu called the Communications and Legislative Liaison Committee meeting to order in Conference Room C-2 at the District office. The Recording Secretary called the roll as follows:

Committee Members

Harry Sidhu
Kathryn Barr
Cathy Green
Vincent Sarmiento
Steve Sheldon

Alternates

Roger Yoh (arrived 8:11 a.m.)
Shawn Dewane (not present)
Jan Flory (not present)
Denis Bilodeau (arrived 8:12 a.m.)
Phil Anthony (not present)

OCWD Staff

Mike Markus - General Manager
Christina Fuller - Recording Secretary
Gina Ayala, Dianne Pinnick, Eleanor Torres

Teleconference

Casey Elliott - Townsend Public Affairs
Eric Saperstein - ENS
James McConnell - McConnell & Associates

Others

Cori Williams - Townsend Public Affairs

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar was approved upon motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Barr and carried 5-0.

(Yes – Sidhu, Barr, Green, Sarmiento, Sheldon, /No - 0)

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the November 6, 2014 Communications/Legislative Liaison Committee meeting are approved as presented.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

2. Federal Legislative Update

District legislative consultants Eric Saperstein (ENS) and James McConnell (McConnell & Associates) presented brief updates on legislative activities in Washington. Mr. Saperstein discussed working with the Los Angeles Army Corps of Engineers and members of the Orange County congressional delegation to advance the Prado Basin, CA Study. Mr. McConnell reported exploring new authorizations and/or funding opportunities to support the District's Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) and other programs. No action was taken.

Director Yoh arrived at 8:11 a.m. and Director Bilodeau arrived at 8:12 a.m. during the following discussion of the State Legislative Update.

3. State Legislative Update

Townsend Public Affairs (TPA) representatives Casey Elliott and Cori Williams updated the Committee on legislative activities in Sacramento. The Committee discussed proposed Irvine Ranch Water District recycling legislation. Ms. Williams gave an update on recent election results and swear-ins. No action was taken.

4. Water Education Corridor Project

Public Affairs Director Eleanor Torres reported that Cinnabar and PDC Interiors presented color palette and carpeting options for the Water Education Corridor Project to the Visitor Ad Hoc Committee on November 19. Ms. Torres presented the recommended color palette #1 and carpet samples. The Committee discussed the recommended color palette and carpet selection and requested that staff return to Committee with a broader selection of carpet options. The Committee then took the following action.

Upon motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Barr and carried [4-1], with Director Sheldon voting "No", the Committee recommended the Board at its December 17 Board meeting: Approve Color Palette 1 and direct staff to return to Committee with more carpet samples for Color Palette 1 and carpeting for the Water Education Corridor Project.

[Yes: Sidhu, Barr, Green Sarmiento, / No: Sheldon]

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

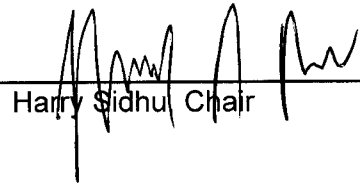
5. Public Affairs Outreach Report – November 2014

Ms. Torres reported that the Public Affairs Outreach Report is in today's packet.

ITEM TO BE PLACED ON CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER 17 BOARD MEETING

The Committee recommended that Item No. 4, *Water Education Corridor Project* be placed on the Consent Calendar for the December 17 Board meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 a.m.



Harry Sidhu, Chair