

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
WITH COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE  
ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT  
December 7, 2017 @ 8:00 a.m.

Director Sarmiento called the Communications and Legislative Liaison Committee meeting to order in Conference Room C-2 at the District office. The Assistant District Secretary called the roll and reported a quorum as follows:

Committee Members

Philip Anthony (absent)  
Vicente Sarmiento  
Shawn Dewane (absent)  
Cathy Green  
Steve Sheldon (absent)

OCWD Staff

Mike Markus – General Manager  
Alicia Dunkin – Legislative Affairs Liaison  
Christina Fuller – Assistant District Secretary

Alternates

Roger Yoh  
James Vanderbilt (absent)  
Bruce Whitaker  
Dina Nguyen (absent)  
Denis Bilodeau

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar was approved upon motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Yoh and carried [5-0] as follows.

***Ayes – Sarmiento, Green, Yoh, Whitaker, Bilodeau***

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

**The minutes of the November 2, 2017 Communications/Legislative Liaison Committee meeting are approved as presented.**

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

2. State Legislative Update

State legislative consultant Don Gilbert provided an update on meetings requested to gain credit for potable reuse in water conservation legislation. Gonsalves and Son provided an update on the legislative calendar and expected changes in leadership and reported that the legislature will reconvene on January 3, 2018.

3. Federal Legislative Update

Federal consultant James McConnell provided a report on the federal goals in the 2018 draft legislative platform. Eric Sapirstein reported on new water recycling legislation. Executive Director Greg Woodside provided an update of the scoping study on forecast-informed reservoir operations (F.I.R.O) at Prado Dam.

4. 2018 OCWD LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

Legislative Affairs Liaison Alicia Dunkin reported that staff, along with the District's federal and state legislative consultants, has created a 2018 Legislative Platform to provide guidance for

legislative advocacy. Ms. Dunkin provided an overview of the platform and highlighted State and Federal Legislative goals.

**Upon motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Whitaker and carried [5-0], the Committee recommended that the Board at its December 20 Board meeting: Approve the 2018 OCWD Legislative Platform**

***Ayes – Sarmiento, Green, Yoh, Whitaker, Bilodeau***

#### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

5. GWRS 10th ANNIVERSARY UPDATE

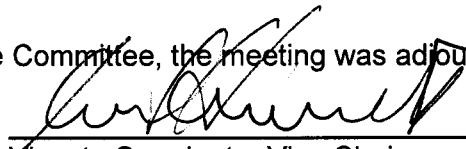
Director of Public Affairs Eleanor Torres provided an update on the GWRS 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event this winter.

6. PUBLIC AFFAIRS OUTREACH REPORT (OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2017)

General Manager Mike Markus stated the report is in today's packet.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

  
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Vicente Sarmiento, Vice Chair