

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
WITH COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE
ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
March 5, 2020, @ 8:00 a.m.

Director Green 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

Cathy Green
Jordan Brandman (absent)
Steve Sheldon (absent)
Roger Yoh
Ahmad Zahra

OCWD Staff

Mike Markus– General Manager
Alicia Dunkin - Legislative Affairs Liaison
Christina Fuller – Assistant District Secretary
Gina Ayala – Principal Communications Specialist

Alternates

Tri Ta
Kelly Rowe
Dina Nguyen
Denis Bilodeau (absent)
Vicente Sarmiento

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar was approved upon motion by Director Rowe, seconded by Director Ta and carried [5-0] as follows:

Yes – Green, Zahra, Ta, Rowe, Sarmiento

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the February 6, 2020 Communications/Legislative Liaison Committee meeting are approved as presented.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

2. State Legislative Update

State Legislative consultants provided an update on AB 2560, Water quality: notification and response levels: procedures and Governor Newsom’s Proposed Climate Resilience Bond.

3. Federal Legislative Update

Federal consultants provided an update on the following topics: Infrastructure and appropriations, PFAS funding, and Water Resources Development Act (WRDA).

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

4. 24th Annual Children’s Water Education Festival Update

Principal Communications Specialist Gina Ayala stated the 24th annual Children's Water Education Festival will be held March 25-26 at UC Irvine. She advised that 7,500 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students from 85 schools in 20 Orange County cities are registered to attend.

5. 13th Annual Orange County Water Summit

Senior Communications Specialist Crystal Nettles reported that the 13th annual Orange County Water Summit will take place Friday, May 29, at the Grand Californian Hotel. She stated the theme for the event is "Water Breaking News" and features topics regarding local, state, national, and international water issues currently making headlines.

6. Public Affairs Outreach Report (February 2020)

Ms. Ayala stated the report is contained in today's packet.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 a.m.


Christina Fuller, Assistant District Secretary