

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
WITH COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE
ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
September 2, 2021, 8:00 a.m.

Due to the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20, Vice Chair Green called the Communications and Legislative Liaison Committee meeting to order via Zoom webinar. Members of the Board and the public participated via Zoom. The Secretary called the roll and reported a quorum as follows:

Committee Members

Vacant
Cathy Green
Dina Nguyen
Roger Yoh
Bruce Whitaker (arrived 8:05am)

OCWD Staff

Mike Markus– General Manager
Alicia Dunkin - Legislative Affairs Liaison
Gina Ayala – Director of Public Affairs
Christina Fuller – Asst. District Secretary

Alternates

Tri Ta (arrived 8:05am)
Kelly Rowe
Nelida Mendoza
Denis Bilodeau
Harry Sidhu
Steve Sheldon

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

Ayes –Green, Nguyen, Yoh, Rowe, Mendoza

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the August 5, 2021 Communications/Legislative Liaison Committee meeting are approved as presented.

Directors Whitaker and Ta arrived during discussion of the following item.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

2. State Legislative Update

State Legislative consultants provided updates on efforts to gain \$250 million in the state budget for PFAS cleanup grant funding and of bills of interest to the District.

3. Federal Legislative Update

Federal consultants provided an update on efforts to provide additional funding for water in the west programs. Consultants reported on meetings held in August with OCWD staff and four members of the OC Congressional Delegation to discuss OCWD federal priorities.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

4. OC Water Summit (Summit) Update

Director of Public Affairs Gina Ayala provided an update on the Summit, noting the new Covid restrictions that will be in place for the in person event on October 15. She reported that the Summit Committee is meeting on September 20 and staff will continue to provide the Board updates.

5. Public Affairs Outreach Report (August 2021)

Ms. Ayala stated that the report is contained in the packet and advised that the District continues with the virtual speaker and tour program.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45a.m.

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Cathy Green, vice Chair