

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ewart called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Sacramento Suburban Water District Antelope Training Facility, 7800 Antelope North Road, Antelope, CA, 95843. A quorum was established of members present in person from 16 member agencies. Individuals who participated are listed below:

RWA Board Members

Cathy Lee, Carmichael Water District
Caryl Sheehan, Citrus Heights Water District
YK Chalamcherla, City of Folsom
Marcus Yasutake, City of Folsom
Chris Nelson, City of Lincoln
Pauline Roccucci, City of Roseville
Sean Bigley, City of Roseville
Lisa Kaplan, City of Sacramento
Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento
William Roberts, City of West Sacramento
Gwynne Pratt, Del Paso Manor Water District
Jim Abercrombie, El Dorado Irrigation District
Bruce Kamilos, Elk Grove Water District
Tom Nelson, Elk Grove Water District
Randy Marx, Fair Oaks Water District
Tom Gray, Fair Oaks Water District
Nicholas Schneider, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District
Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District
Greg Jones, Nevada Irrigation District
Robert Dugan, Placer County Water Agency
Jay Boatwright, Sacramento Suburban Water District
Dan York, Sacramento Suburban Water District
Greg Zlotnick, San Juan Water District

RWA Associate Members

Rebecca Guo, El Dorado Water Agency

RWA Affiliate Members

None

Staff Members

Jim Peifer, Raiyna Villaseñor, Michelle Banonis, Ryan Ojakian, Tom Hoffart, Trevor Joseph, Monica Garcia, and Andrew Ramos, legal counsel.

Others in Attendance

Tony Barela, San Juan Water District, SULLIVANLR, Kevin Thomas, Sacramento Suburban Water District, Paul Helliker, San Juan Water District, Adam Coyen, Del Paso Manor Water District, Hilary Straus, Citrus Heights Water District, Caitlin Lombardi, Rainplan, Rebecca Scott, Citrus Heights Water District, Jessica Law, Water Forum, Ryan Alward, INTERA; Anne Sanger, City of Sacramento, Craig.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Caitlin Lombardi introduced herself and her firm, Rainplan.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 3.1 Approve the draft meeting minutes of January 18, 2024, RWA Board Meeting
- 3.2 Receive Memorandum on Proposed Practices to Address the Improvement of Internal Controls and Approve Revisions to Policy 500.8 (Purchasing Card Policy) and Policy 500.13 (Business Expense Reimbursement Policy) as presented
- 3.3 Approve Resolution No. 2024-01 approving the DWR Urban Community Drought Relief Grant Agreement
- 3.4 Approve Robert Wichert to fill the vacancy on the Executive Committee
- 3.5 Approve Resolution 2024-2 opposing Initiative 1935 (previously Initiative 21-0042A1)
- 3.6 Direct staff to submit WIIN Act Funding workplan and associated applications to the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation

A motion was made to approve the Consent calendar.

Motion/Second/Carried Director York moved, with a second by Director Lee

Cathy Lee, Carmichael Water District; Caryl Sheehan, Citrus Heights Water District; YK Chalamcherla, City of Folsom; Chris Nelson, City of Lincoln; Pauline Roccucci, City of Roseville; Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento; William Roberts, City of West Sacramento; Gwynne Pratt, Del Paso Manor Water District; Bruce Kamilos, Elk Grove Water District; Jim Abercrombie, El Dorado Irrigation District; Greg Jones, Nevada Irrigation District; Randy Marx, Fair Oaks Water District; Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District; Robert Dugan, Placer County Water Agency; Jay Boatwright, Sacramento Suburban Water District; Greg Zlotnick, San Juan Water District, voted yes. Motion passes.

Ayes	16
Noes	0

Abstained	0
Absent	6

4. INTRODUCTION TO THE RWA

Mr. Peifer gave a presentation on the Introduction to the RWA.

5. FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES

Mr. Peifer gave a presentation on the RWA's performance on the FY 2023/2024 strategic plan priorities and presented the Executive Committee's proposed priorities to the Board.

A motion was made to approve the Strategic Plan priorities and to include "Assist in the preservation of water rights and entitlements of RWA members, maintain area of origin protections, and protect and ensure water reliability and resilience" within the priorities.

Motion/Second/Carried Director Zlotnick moved, with a second by Director Saunders

Cathy Lee, Carmichael Water District; Caryl Sheehan, Citrus Heights Water District; YK Chalamcherla, City of Folsom; Chris Nelson, City of Lincoln; Pauline Roccucci, City of Roseville; Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento; William Roberts, City of West Sacramento; Gwynne Pratt, Del Paso Manor Water District; Bruce Kamilos, Elk Grove Water District; Jim Abercrombie, El Dorado Irrigation District; Greg Jones, Nevada Irrigation District; Randy Marx, Fair Oaks Water District; Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District; Robert Dugan, Placer County Water Agency; Jay Boatwright, Sacramento Suburban Water District; Greg Zlotnick, San Juan Water District, voted yes. Motion passes.

Ayes	16
Noes	0
Abstained	0
Absent	6

6. WATERSHED RESILIENCE PILOT PROJECT

Mr. Joseph gave a presentation on the DWR Watershed Resilience Pilot Project.

A motion was made to approve Resolution 2024-03 authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a Watershed Resilience Pilot Project agreement with the Department of Water Resources.

Motion/Second/Carried Director Dugan moved, with a second by Director Chalamcherla

Cathy Lee, Carmichael Water District; Caryl Sheehan, Citrus Heights Water District; YK Chalamcherla, City of Folsom; Chris Nelson, City of Lincoln; Pauline Roccucci, City of Roseville; Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento; William Roberts, City of West Sacramento; Gwynne Pratt, Del Paso Manor Water District; Bruce Kamilos, Elk Grove Water District; Jim Abercrombie, El Dorado Irrigation District; Greg Jones, Nevada Irrigation District; Randy Marx, Fair Oaks Water District; Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District; Robert Dugan, Placer County Water Agency; Jay Boatwright, Sacramento Suburban Water District voted yes. Greg Zlotnick, San Juan Water District, voted no. Motion passes.

Ayes	15
Noes	1
Abstained	0
Absent	6

7. SACRAMENTO REGIONAL WATER BANK UPDATE

This item was deferred until the next Board meeting.

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Peifer supplemented his report with a brief update on the Water Conservation regulations.

10. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Mr. Yasutake commented on the City of Folsom's first water supply planning meeting and the work that the City of Folsom is conducting to improve water supply.

Mr. Chalamcherla commented on policy revisions when selecting contractors to gain the best price for the RWA.

Mr. Bigley spoke about the Water Conservation Award for the City of Roseville received from Reclamation and the support from the RWA in receiving that award.

Mr. Saunders spoke about his advocacy within ACWA supporting RWA and the recent federal funding Georgetown Divide PUD received.

Mr. Jones asked about the RWA keeping an eye out cyber security issues that affect member agencies.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Chair Ewart adjourned the meeting at 11:43 a.m.

By:



Brett Ewart, Chair

Attest:



Tom Hoffart, Board Secretary