

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ewart called the meeting of the Executive Committee to order on May 27, 2025, at 1:32 p.m. at the RWA Board Room located at 2295 Gateway Oaks, Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95833. Seven of the Executive Committee Members were present at roll call; a quorum was established. All Executive Committee Members were present at 1:44 p.m. Individuals in attendance are listed below:

Executive Committee Members

Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento, Chair
Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District, Vice Chair
Ron Greenwood, Carmichael Water District – Arrived at 1:44 p.m.
Chris Nelson, City of Lincoln
Sean Bigley, City of Roseville - Arrived at 1:33 p.m.
Bruce Kamilos, Elk Grove Water District – Arrived at 1:36 p.m.
Sean Twilla, Golden State Water Company
Robert Wichert, Sacramento Suburban Water District
Michael Grinstead, Sacramento County Water Agency - Exited at 3:03 p.m.

Staff Members

Jim Peifer, Trevor Joseph, Ryan Ojakian, Michelle Banonis, Ashley Flores, Monica Garcia and Josh Horowitz, legal counsel.

Others in Attendance:

Craig Locke, Sacramento Suburban Water District; and Kevin Thomas, Sacramento Suburban Water District.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

3.1 Approve draft meeting minutes of the April 30, 2025 Executive Committee Special Meeting.

A motion was made to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Motion/Second/Carried Director Wichert moved, with a second by Director Grinstead

Sean Bigley, City of Roseville; Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility; Sean Twilla, Golden State Water Company; Robert Wichert, Sacramento Suburban Water District and Michael Grinstead, Sacramento County Water Agency; voted yes. Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento and Chris Nelson, City of Lincoln; abstained from voting. Motion passed.

Ayes- 5

Noes- 0

Abstained- 2 Ewart, Nelson

Absent- 2 Greenwood, Kamilos

Director Greenwood arrived at 1:44 p.m. and Director Kamilos arrived at 1:36 p.m.

4. CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION STUDY

This was a follow-up to an action item presented at the last Executive Committee meeting by Executive Director Peifer. The Committee provided additional feedback on the Classification and Compensation Report submitted by Regional Government Services related to the job description and salary for the Finance and Administrative Services Manager and Finance Director positions.

Direction was provided to staff.

5. RWA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

This was an action item presented by Executive Director Peifer for the Committee to provide feedback to staff on their preference of date and time that this meeting body should meet in the future.

Direction was provided to staff.

6. RWA PROGRAM UPDATES

Executive Director Peifer presented this information item for the Executive Committee to receive a report on the various programs and initiatives the RWA and SGA currently have underway. These programs and initiatives included: The Sacramento Regional Water Bank, the North American Subbasin (NASb) Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) update, implementation of the current NASb GSP, the Watershed Resilience Pilot Project, the Water Forum Agreement update, the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes Program, and the Reinitiation of Consultation for the Biological Opinions. The report included key milestones reached to date, the overall status of the programs, upcoming key milestones, and current and future anticipated resources.

Staff was directed to bring back Program Committee Meeting Rules of Procedure to the next scheduled Board Meeting. No action taken.

7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Peifer reported that ECOS would like to work with RWA and the Water Forum for next year's Earth Day event.

8. DIRECTORS' COMMENT

Director Greenwood reported that Carmichael Water District, San Juan Water District and the City of Folsom traveled to Washington DC ahead of the Cap to Cap event to lobby for funding. He also reported ongoing litigation related to work done on a water tank in their District. The District is also currently conducting their Executive Director performance evaluation and are exploring the possibility of an inhouse Public Relation position at the District.

Director Bigley reported Brian Craighead was recently promoted to Assistant Environmental Utilities Director, Brian will oversee our Legislative/Regulatory Section, the Compliance, Analysis, & Planning Section, Business Services Division, and the Communications Section. Devin Whittington has also recently promoted to Assistant Environmental Utilities Director

Director Nelson reported that the City of Lincoln and Sacramento Suburban Water District held a regional management meeting, further development of the group is underway.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ewart adjourned the meeting at 3:13 p.m.

Approved by:



Brett Ewart, RWA Chair

Attested by:



Ashley Flores, CMC, Clerk of the Board