

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Saunders called the meeting of the Executive Committee to order on March 17, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. at the RWA Board Room located at 2295 Gateway Oaks, Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95833. Six of the Executive Committee Members were present at roll call; a quorum was established. Individuals in attendance are listed below:

Executive Committee Members

Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District, Chair
Sean Twilla, Golden State Water Company
Nichole Baxter, California American Water
Chris Nelson, City of Lincoln
Bruce Kamilos, Elk Grove Water District
Michael Grinstead, Sacramento County Water Agency – arrived at 1:42 p.m.
Robert Wichert, Sacramento Suburban Water District

Staff Members

Jim Peifer, Tom Hoffart, Ryan Ojakian, Trevor Joseph, Michelle Banonis and Ashley Flores.

Others in Attendance:

Nick Mirman, Executive Director, Capital Caucus Foundation

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Kamilos pulled Consent Calendar Item 3.2 Task Order #5 for Professional Services Agreement with Khadam Consulting for further information on the scope

3.1 Approve draft meeting minutes of February 17, 2026 Executive Committee meeting.

A motion was made to the Consent Calendar as amended.

Motion/Second/Carried Director Kamilos moved, with a second by Director Twilla

Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District; Sean Twilla, Golden State Water Company; Nichole Baxter, California American Water; Chris Nelson, City of Lincoln;

Bruce Kamilos, Elk Grove Water District; and Robert Wichert, Sacramento Suburban Water District; voted yes. Motion passed.

Ayes- 6
Noes- 0
Abstained- 0
Absent- 3

3.2 Approve Task Order #5 for Professional Services Agreement with Khadam Consulting for an additional not to exceed amount of \$45,000.

A motion was made to approve Task Order #5 for Professional Services Agreement with Khadam Consulting for an additional not to exceed amount of \$45,000.

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

Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District; Sean Twilla, Golden State Water Company; Nichole Baxter, California American Water; Chris Nelson, City of Lincoln; Bruce Kamilos, Elk Grove Water District; and Robert Wichert, Sacramento Suburban Water District; voted yes. Motion passed.

Ayes- 6
Noes- 0
Abstained- 0
Absent- 3

4. PRESENTATION: CAPITAL CAUCUS FOUNDATION

This was a presentation discussion item to provide an opportunity for the Regional Water Authority Executive Committee to receive and file a presentation from Nick Mirman, Executive Director of Capital Caucus Foundation and answer any questions the Committee has regarding their mission.

No action taken, information only.

Mr. Mirman exited at 1:57 p.m.

5. FY 2026/27 BUDGET PLANNING

Executive Director Peifer and Finance Director Hoffart presented this discussion item to brief the Executive Committee on the Fiscal Year 2026 - 2027 Budget.

No action taken, information only. Staff direction provided on key issues for the FY 2026/27 Budget.

6. APPROVE OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS ACTUARIAL VALUATION REPORT AS OF JUNE 30, 2025 AND CALIFORNIA EMPLOYERS' RETIREE BENEFIT TRUST ASSET ALLOCATION STRATEGY

This was an action item presented by Finance Director Hoffart for the Executive Committee to approve the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Actuarial Valuation report as of June 30, 2025 and to approve the California Employers' Retiree Benefit Trust (CERBT) Asset Allocation Strategy.

A motion was made to approve and accept the OPEB Actuarial Valuation report as of June 30, 2025; and consider and approve CERBT Asset Allocation Strategy 1.

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

Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District; Sean Twilla, Golden State Water Company; Nichole Baxter, California American Water;; Chris Nelson, City of Lincoln; Bruce Kamilos, Elk Grove Water District; Michael Grinstead, Sacramento County Water Agency; and Robert Wichert, Sacramento Suburban Water District; voted yes. Motion passed.

Ayes- 7
Noes- 0
Abstained- 0
Absent- 2

7. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

This was an action item presented by Ryan Ojakian, Government Relations Manager for the Executive Committee to take position on State and Federal legislation.

A motion was made to support positions on State and Federal legislation including support and amend SB1125.

Motion/Second/Carried Director Nelson moved, with a second by Director Kamilos

Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District; Nichole Baxter, California American Water; Ron Greenwood, Carmichael Water District; Chris Nelson, City of Lincoln; Bruce Kamilos, Elk Grove Water District; Michael Grinstead, Sacramento County Water Agency; and Robert Wichert, Sacramento Suburban Water District; voted yes. Motion passed.

Ayes- 7
Noes- 0
Abstained- 0
Absent- 2

8. 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.

No action taken, information only.

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Peifer reported on the next Coffee & Conversations with John Watts, Water Policy Counsel for Senator Alex Padilla on April 15, 2026 at 10:00 a.m., registration is now open.

10. DIRECTORS' COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Saunders adjourned the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

By:



Michael Saunders, RWA Chair

Attest:



Ashley Flores, CMC, Clerk of the Board