

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

May 22, 2012

Vice Chair Record called the meeting of the Executive Committee to order at 10:03 a.m. in the Board Room at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

Committee members present: Vice Chairs Record, Gray, De Jesus, and J. Murray, Secretary Morris, Directors Ackerman, Griset, Grunfeld and Wunderlich.

Committee members absent: Chair Foley, and Directors Brick, Lewinger and Evans.

Other Directors present: Directors Blake, Brown, Barbre, Dick, Friedman, Hawkins, Heidel, Little, Millard, Montalvo, Peterson, Steiner, Wilson and Wright.

Staff present: Ardalan, Bennion, Breaux, Cable, L. Carrillo, Chin, Green, Johnson, Kightlinger, Man, Patterson, Pellegrini, Philp, Riss, Scully, Sotoodeh, Tubbs, Waade, Wakiro, Wolfe and Zinke.

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE ON MATTERS WITHIN THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION

None

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD APRIL 24, 2012

Approved

Motion: Director Grunfeld

Seconded: Director J. Murray

3. BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Vice Chair Record deferred the Chairman's report to the June Executive Committee meeting.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

None

5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

None

6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS – ACTION

None

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Subject: Approve draft committee and Board meeting agendas, and schedule for June 2012

Presented by: Vice Chair Record

Motion: Director J. Murray Seconded: Director Grunfeld

Motion passed.

- b. Subject: General Manager's report of Metropolitan's activities

Presented by: General Manager Jeffrey Kightlinger

The General Manager reported that Metropolitan had a very successful Spring Green fair on May 3, 2012. There were over sixty exhibits and several student reports from various colleges.

The 10th annual Solar Cup competition took place on May 18, 19 and 20, 2012 at Lake Skinner. It was the largest that Metropolitan has hosted so far and Canyon High School took first place.

The General Manager also reported that he has been involved in several meetings with the Secretary of Resources and the Governor's offices regarding the Bay-Delta Conservation Plan. A more detailed report of those discussions will be given at the Bay-Delta Special Committee meeting.

- c. Subject: General Counsel's report of Legal Department activities

Presented by: General Counsel Marcia Scully

The General Counsel reported that the first meeting with the discovery referee in the *San Diego v. Metropolitan* rate case was held May 21, 2012 with all parties to the case present in person or via teleconference. The discovery referee stated that we will only be dealing with document discovery at this time. He determined that the discovery requests from San Diego County Water Authority and IID were over-broad and he gave them guidance on how to revise those requests. A meeting will be held on May 24 to determine what the next steps will be.

The General Counsel also reported that Metropolitan continues to monitor the litigation in the *Tronox* bankruptcy case.

- d. Subject: General Auditor's report of Audit Department activities
Presented by: General Auditor Gerry Riss

The General Auditor had no report.

- e. Subject: Interim Ethics Officer's report of Ethics Department activities
Interim Ethics Officer Jeff Cable

The Interim Ethics Officer reported he has been approached by some directors about AB 1234 training which was scheduled to be available on line this month. The Ethics Department is waiting for final appointment of the new Ethics Officer for a final review of the policy. A letter will be going out to inform directors when the training is due in the meantime. This requirement can also be fulfilled through the director's member agency.

8. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

- a. Director Grunfeld, Finance and Insurance Committee Chair, had no report.
- b. Director De Jesus, Water Planning and Stewardship Committee Chair, reported that the committee will be considering two items for action in June. The first item is the annual consideration of Metropolitan's participation in the State Water Contractors Incorporated and the State Water Project Contractors Authority; the second item is consideration of approval of a new Local Resources Program agreement for an expanded recycled water system in the City of San Clemente.
- c. Director Brown, Engineering and Operations Committee Vice Chair, reported that the committee has four action items to consider in June including authorization of phase one of the distribution system infrastructure protection program, construction of the Weymouth plant oxidation retrofit, an update on the Jensen solids handling project with options for the Board to consider, and an oral report on hydraulic fracturing.
- d. Director Murray, Organization, Personnel and Technology Committee Chair, reported that Metropolitan hosted its 5th annual Spring Green Expo on May 3, 2012. It was attended by approximately 800 people and focused on raising awareness of environmental problems and solutions. Guest speakers covered water conservation, energy conservation in and around the home and green transportation alternatives.

Director Murray also reported that his committee is continuing to review the process and schedule for the annual review of the Board's direct reports. Completion date for this process will be late July or early August.

- e. Director Wunderlich, Legal and Claims Committee Chair, reported that the committee will hear reports on the Bay-Delta litigation and the *San Diego County Water Authority v. Metropolitan* litigation.
- f. Director Ackerman, Communications and Legislation Committee Chair, had no report and no changes to the June agenda.

9. FOLLOW UP ITEMS

Vice Chair Record stated that he attended the Solar Cup event at Lake Skinner and was impressed with how well it was organized. General Manager Kightlinger thanked the directors that attended the event for their support.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future agenda items.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held on June 26, 2012.

Vice Chair Record adjourned the meeting at 10:17 a.m.

Randy R. Record
Vice Chair of the Board