

Director Peterson entered the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

None

Director Gold entered the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Director Lefevre entered the meeting at 1:28 p.m.

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

8-3 Subject Adopt CEQA determination and adopt Policy Principle on Watershed Management

Presented by: Nathan Purkiss, Section Manager, Legislative Services

Substitute The Communications and Legislation Committee voted to postpone
Motion: voting on Item 8-3 until the September meeting.

Moved: Director Murray Seconded: Director Abdo

Ayes: Chair Kurtz, Vice Chair Gray, Directors Abdo, Ballin, Camacho, Galleano, Gold, Lefevre, Lewinger, Morris, Murray, and Peterson

Noes: None

Abstentions: Director Barbre

Absent: Directors Ackerman, Apodaca, Friedman, and Vasquez Wilson

The motion passed by a vote of 12 ayes, 0 noes, 1 abstain, and 4 absent.

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

a. Subject: Report on activities from Washington, D.C.

Presented by: Brad Hiltcher, Executive Legislative Representative

Mr. Hiltcher reported on federal matters which included:

- Water Resources Development Act
- Energy bill conference
- Drought assistance legislation
- FY 2017 Appropriations
- Tax parity for water conservation
- Federal calendar

b. Subject: Report on activities from Sacramento

Presented by: Kathy Cole, Executive Legislative Representative

Ms. Cole reported on state legislative matters including:

- Legislative deadlines
- AB 2488 (Dababneh) - Metropolitan-sponsored legislation
- Legislation regarding regionalization of western grid
- Little Hoover Commission hearing on special districts
- Joint Legislative Audit Committee audit regarding CA WaterFix

c. Subject: Presentation on Focus Groups on Water Conservation Messaging

Presented by: Carolyn Schaffer, Section Manager, Member Services & Public Outreach

Ms. Schaffer reported on recent focus groups that were conducted by ACWA for the Save Our Water campaign.

7. MANAGEMENT REPORT

a. Subject: External Affairs Management Report

Presented by: Sue Sims, Group Manager, External Affairs

Ms. Sims reported on the following items:

- Social media and digital advertising
- Bi-weekly PIO updates on conservation program
- Drone video on solar panel program at La Verne facility
- Legislative Proposal form
- Education Unit launching new technology for the classrooms
- Partnering with LADWP and LA Times on their education in the classroom program on energy and water nexus
- Updating Metropolitan's high school program to Updating Metropolitan's high school curriculum for water policies
- Improvements at DVL

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Next meeting will be held on September 12, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

Cynthia Kurtz
Chair