

Absent: Directors Ballin and Camacho.

The motion passed by a vote of 13 ayes, 0 noes, 1 abstain and 2 absent.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

None

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

None

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

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

Presented by: Nathan Purkiss, Section Manager, Legislative Services

Brad Hiltcher was on vacation so Nathan Purkiss reported on federal matters which included:

- Water conservation tax parity
- Safe Drinking Water Act
- Forest Service and watershed management reform legislation
- Federal calendar

b. Subject: Report on activities from Sacramento

Presented by: Kathy Cole, Executive Legislative Representative

Ms. Cole reported on state matters which included:

- Changes to Assembly composition and Senate and Assembly committee assignments
- Dam safety oversight hearing on January 10

- Update on two-year bills
- Legislative calendar

Director Camacho (entered at 1:21 p.m.)

c. Subject: Update on Education Programs

Presented by: Adrian Hightower, Unit Manager, Education

Mr. Hightower along with Benita Horn, Principal Public Affairs Representative, and Blanca Biller, Principal Public Affairs Representative, reported on Education Programs which included:

- World Water Forum
- Diamond Valley Lake Education Programs

d. Subject: Report on Central Basin Municipal Water District legislative proposal on Metropolitan Board governance

Presented by: Kathy Cole, Executive Legislative Representative

Ms. Cole reported on the following item:

- CBMWD legislative proposal regarding methodology for appointments to Metropolitan's board of directors

7. MANAGEMENT REPORT

a. Subject: External Affairs Management Report

Presented by: Sue Sims, Group Manager, External Affairs

Ms. Sims reported on the following items:

- Appointment of Bob Muir as Media Services Section Manager
- Legislative briefings in district offices
- Member Agency Public Information Officer meeting
- Business outreach activities

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Next meeting will be held on February 12, 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

Cynthia Kurtz
Chair