

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

Via live webcast
December 6, 2023
11:00 am – 11:30 am

ATTENDANCE

Association of California Water Agencies

Director: Dave Eggerton – Present
Alternate: OPEN

California Forestry Association

Director: Rich Gordon – Present
Alternate: George Gentry – Absent

California Hydropower Reform Coalition

Director: Pete Bell – Present
Alternate: Richard Roos-Collins – Absent

California Public Utilities Commission

Director: Allison Brown – Present
Alternate: OPEN

California Public Utilities Commission Appointed Public Members

Director: Art Baggett Jr. – Present
Director: David Muraki – Present
Director: Chris Nota – Present

California Natural Resources Agency

Director: Wade Crowfoot – Absent
Alternate: Madeline Drake – Present

California Tribal Interests

Director: Larry Myers – Present
Alternate: Ken Tipon – Absent

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

Director: Soapy Mulholland – Absent
Alternate: Bob Schneider – Absent

Public Advocates Office

Director: Julie Halligan – Absent
Alternate: OPEN

Pacific Gas & Electric Company

Director: Mike Schonherr – Present
Alternate: Rebecca Doidge – Present

Rural County Representatives of California

Director: Lee Adams – Absent
Alternate: Miles Menetrey – Absent

State Water Resources Control Board

Director: DeeDee D'Adamo – Absent
Alternate: Jeffrey Parks – Present

Trust for Public Land

Director: Dave Sutton – Absent
Alternate: John McCamman – Present

U.S. Forest Service

Non-Voting Liaison: Jerry Bird – Present

STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL STAFF

Executive Director Erin Healy

OTHERS

Robyn White, Stewardship Council Contract Employee
Troy Kelly, PG&E staff
Cheryl Davis, PG&E staff (arrived 11:08 am)

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Dean Henricks, Bucks Lake Homeowners Association Board Member

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD AT THIS MEETING

- Adoption of the minutes of the July 12, 2023 Board of Directors meeting (***Consent agenda item***)
- The board approved the 2023 Budget Amendment as presented
- The board approved the proposed 2024 Budget as presented

ATTENDANCE AND QUORUM

Stewardship Council Board President and Chair Art Baggett called the roll, declared a quorum, and called the meeting to order.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

Mr. Baggett asked if any Board members had a conflict of interest with regard to any of the proposed actions. There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none at this time.

FIDUCIARY COMMITTEE

Financial update

Executive Director Erin Healy explained October expenditures to date were under budget by approximately \$400,000, however she anticipated prepayment expenses to bring an uptick in spending through the end of the year.

2023 Budget Amendment (ACTION)

Ms. Healy told the board the 2023 budget had been approved with \$700,000 in expenditures slated for additional Enhancement projects. In July of 2023, the board approved a prioritized list of additional projects to fund when the funding was available. She said staff was recommending an additional \$985,000 be authorized in the 2023 budget to fund the prioritized projects approved by the board and for administrative costs associated with additional projects.

After an opportunity for Board questions and discussion the Board approved the action as described above in the summary of actions and resolutions taken at the Board meeting.

2024 Proposed Budget (ACTION)

Ms. Healy presented the 2024 proposed budget which proposed to pay all outstanding costs in 2024 and achieve a zero balance by dissolution which is slated for April 1, 2024. The budget included approximately \$994,000 in expenditures, the bulk of which are to Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC), the Stewardship Council's remainder beneficiary. The current grant agreement with SNC specifies how the remaining funds are to be used.

After an opportunity for Board questions and discussion the Board approved the action as described above in the summary of actions and resolutions taken at the Board meeting.

BOARD DEVELOPMENT AND DISSOLUTION PLANNING COMMITTEE

Dissolution Plan Status Update

Ms. Healy provided an update on dissolution activities, noting that Q3 milestones had been met and staff anticipated reaching Q4 milestones. She stated that the target date for dissolution remained at the end of Q1 2024.

LAND CONSERVATION PROGRAM

Land Transaction Status

Ms. Healy reported the final two land transactions, Lake Almanor and Lake Britton, would close in December, achieving the Council's goal of protecting all the watershed lands.

PACE Contract Amendment (ACTION)

Ms. Healy informed the board that PACE engineering still had remaining work to complete, including monumentation and recording records of survey with the counties. She said PACE provided an amount of an additional \$42,626 as necessary to complete the remaining work which will extend into 2024. She said the Stewardship Council would amend the current contract which will require PACE

to complete all outstanding work for the total remaining on their contract including the additional \$42,626 increase.

After an opportunity for Board questions and discussion the Board approved the action as described above in the summary of actions and resolutions taken at the Board meeting.

FINAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

The board acknowledged this was the final board meeting for the Stewardship Council and reflected on the accomplishments of the organization.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Baggett adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Jeff Parks, Secretary