

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN DIEGO REGION**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 14, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Henry Abarbanel called the meeting to order on August 14, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board Hearing Room, 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 108, San Diego California 92108.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members present:

Henry Abarbanel, Ph.D., Chair; Celeste Cantú, Vice Chair; Eric Anderson; Megan Blair; Betty H. Olson, Ph.D.

Board Members absent:

Gary Strawn; Stefanie Warren.

Staff present:

David Gibson, James Smith, Christina Blank, Leah Lorch, Roger Mitchell, Kelly Dorsey, Frank Melbourne, Mike Porter, Wayne Chiu, Vicente Rodriguez, Ben Neill, Amy Grove, Kristin Schwall, Laurie Walsh, Jill Harris, Tanya Nelson, Keith Yaeger, Craig Carlisle, Jeremy Haas, Eric Becker, Chiara Clemente, Sherrie Komeylyan, Chad Loflen, Debbie Woodward, Brandon Bushnell, Fisayo Osibodu, David Barker, Cynthia Gorham, Sheila Christine McQuaid-Moran, Sarah Mearon, John Anderson, Regan Morey, Tom Alo, Mireille Garcia, Nisarg Joshi, Federick Pinongcos.

Remote attendance:

Steven Teel, Rebecca Stewart, Betty Fetscher, Tony Felix, Hiram Sarabia, Sean McClain, Kelly Fuller, Ben Carlson, Melissa Corona, Jody Ebsen, Helen Yu, Christina Arias.

Other present on behalf of the San Diego Water Board:

State Water Resources Control Board—Laurel Firestone; Erik Ekdahl, Division of Water Rights; Jennifer Fordyce, Vincent Vu, Office of Chief Counsel; California Court Reporting—Marlee Nelson.

Public Attendance:

Kelly Tait, Karen Holman, Jason Giffen
Port of San Diego

Kasey Skrivseth, Adrienne Cibor
Nautilus/Enthalpy

Michael Welch
Michael Welch Consultants

Matt O'Malley
San Diego Coastkeeper

Paul Hartman
Larry Walker Associates

Karina Danek
San Diego IRWM

Rachel Davenport, Vicki Kalkirtz,
Cara Nager, JoAnn Helminski,
Arielle Beaulieu
City of San Diego

Elizabeth Lovsted
San Diego County Water Authority

Jenna Voss, Grant Sharp
County of Orange/South Orange
County IRWM

Laura Shin
SDSU

Sarah Lozano
Dudek

BOARD MEETING

Public comments on agenda items were limited to 3 minutes or otherwise at the discretion of the Board Chair.

PUBLIC FORUM

There were no Public Forum items.

BOARD BUSINESS

1. Minutes of Board Meeting:

- June 12, 2019

Motion:

- Mr. Anderson moved to adopt the proposed minutes

Second:

- Dr. Olson

MOTION CARRIED:

- (June 12, 2019)

Aye:

- Mr. Anderson
- Ms. Blair
- Ms. Cantú
- Dr. Olson
- Dr. Abarbanel

Nay:

- None

Absent:

- Mr. Strawn
- Ms. Warren

Abstain:

- None.

2. **Chairman's, Board Members', State Water Board Liaison's, and Executive Officer's Reports. *These items were for Board discussion only. Public testimony was not allowed, and the Board took no formal action.***

Mr. Anderson stated that there is a pop-up museum dedicated to the Haas avocado in San Marcos, and he invited the public to attend.

Ms. Cantú reported on the San Diego County Water Authority's special program on the future of water in San Diego and the Southwest on July 18.

Dr. Olson reported on the tour of Naval Base Point Loma on August 8.

Dr. Abarbanel presented service awards to Laurie Walsh and Frank Melbourne.

Ms. Firestone provided updates on actions taken by the State Board and upcoming State Board considerations.

Mr. Gibson reported on Board staff actions that did not appear in the written Executive Officer's Report.

3. **Future Agenda Items: *Board members discussed items for possible inclusion on future agendas.***

Board Members did not request any items for future agendas.

Chair Abarbanel called a brief recess at 9:57 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Presentation slides are available upon request. Please send an email to sandiego@waterboards.ca.gov.

4. Annual Update on the Strategy for a Healthy San Diego Bay. (*Wayne Chiu and John Anderson*)

Mr. Chiu and Mr. Anderson gave the staff presentation and responded to Board Member questions.

Karen Holman and Kelly Tait gave a presentation from the Port of San Diego and responded to Board Member questions.

Jason Giffen with the Port of San Diego also responded to Board Member questions.

5. Sustainable Local Water Supply: Recycled Water, Desalination, and Statewide Resiliency. (*Brandon Bushnell*)

Mr. Bushnell gave the staff presentation, and Ms. Firestone gave a presentation from the State Water Resources Control Board; Mr. Bushnell, Ms. Firestone, and Ms. Dorsey responded to Board Member questions.

The following stakeholders commented on this item:

- Elizabeth Lovsted, Water Resources Manager, San Diego County Authority
- Karina Danek, San Diego Regional Water Management Group (IRWM)
- Matt O'Malley, San Diego Coastkeeper
- Jenna Voss, County of Orange, South Orange County IRWM Group

6. Update on the SDSU Mission Valley Campus Master Plan Project at the SDCCU Stadium Site. (David Gibson)

Laura Shin of San Diego State University and Sara Lozano of Dudek presented the item and responded to Board Member questions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Abarbanel adjourned the meeting at 1:18 p.m.

These minutes were prepared by:

Signed by:

Christina Blank
Executive Assistant

David Gibson
Executive Officer