

BOARD MEETING DATE: March 6, 2015

AGENDA NO. 19

REPORT: Administrative Committee

SYNOPSIS: The Administrative Committee met on Friday, February 13, 2015. The Committee discussed various issues detailed in the Committee report. The next Administrative Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 13, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Receive and file.

Dr. William A. Burke, Chair
Administrative Committee

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Attendance: Attending the February 13, 2015 meeting were Committee Members Judith Mitchell at SCAQMD headquarters, and Dr. William Burke and Dr. Clark E. Parker, Sr. via videoconference. Supervisor Janice Rutherford also observed at SCAQMD headquarters.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. **Board Members' Concerns:** Executive Officer Dr. Barry Wallerstein reported that Supervisor Mike Antonovich had recently referred the District for possible participation in the Career Development Intern Program administered by Los Angeles County to benefit transition-aged foster youth, and that staff would report on the program at a future Administrative Committee meeting. Chairman Burke commented favorably on the Program and was pleased to note the District's possible involvement. In addition, Dr. Wallerstein advised that a salary adjustment for Board Consultants and Assistants would be considered shortly.. Dr. Parker suggested a review of Board Consultant and Assistant salaries compared to that provided staff.

2. **Chairman's Report of Approved Travel:** Dr. Wallerstein noted that Dr. Lyou traveled to Sacramento to attend the Low Carbon Fuel Summit on February 3, which Councilmember Mitchell attended as well. Dr. Parker commented on the upcoming Environmental Justice For All Conference being hosted by the District on February 27th, and indicated the event will have many impressive speakers.
3. **Approval of Compensation for Board Member Assistant(s)/Consultant(s):** None to report.
4. **Report of Approved Out-of-Country Travel:** None to report.
5. **Set Public Hearing April 3, 2015 to Receive Public Input on Executive Officer's Draft Goals & Objectives and Priority Objectives for FY 2015-16:** Dr. Wallerstein gave a cursory overview of the Draft Goals & Priority Objectives for FY 2015-16 after which Dr. Parker inquired on the recent media coverage involving fracking waste water and benzene emissions, whereupon Dr. Wallerstein advised staff would present field observations on this issue and update the Stationary Source Committee on possible regulatory amendments . Dr. Wallerstein further commented that, with the recent price reductions in gasoline, planned fracking activity and industry pursuit thereof had greatly slowed.
6. **Appropriate Funds from Designation for Litigation and Enforcement and Authorize Amending/Initiating Contracts with Outside Counsel and Specialized Legal Services:** General Counsel Kurt Wiese reported briefly on the proposed budget increase and contract amendment for specialized legal services and counsel, noted that the increase was largely due to Exide and Phillips 66 litigation, and advised that Phillips 66 was obligated to reimburse the District for legal expenses upon the conclusion of the litigation.

Moved by Parker; seconded by Mitchell; unanimously approved.
7. **Report of RFQs Scheduled for Release in March:** Chief Financial Officer Michael O'Kelly commented that the proposed purchase of air monitoring equipment was the only anticipated RFQ for release in March.

Moved by Parker; seconded by Mitchell; unanimously approved.
8. **Local Government & Small Business Assistance Advisory Group Minutes for the December 12, 2014 Meeting (written report):** Attached for information only are the minutes from the December 12, 2014 meeting of the Local Government & Small Business Assistance Advisory Group.

9. **Review of the March 6, 2015 Governing Board Agenda:** There were no questions regarding the March 6, 2015 Governing Board Agenda.
10. **Other Business:** None
11. **Public Comment:** Rita Loof, representing RadTech International, commented on the Executive Officer's Draft Goals & Priority Objectives, Goal 1, Number 14, stating that in emphasizing timely processing of permits staff should encourage ultraclean technology requiring no permits, and encouraged revision of Rule 219 to address such issues.

Meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

Attachment

Local Government & Small Business Assistance Advisory Group Minutes from the December 12, 2014 Meeting



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LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE ADVISORY GROUP FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2014 MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dennis Yates, Mayor, City of Chino and LGSBA Chairman
Ben Benoit, Councilman, City of Wildomar and LGSBA Vice Chairman
Paul Avila, P.B.A. & Associates
Geoffrey Blake, Metal Finishers of Southern California/All Metals
John Hill, Riverside County Representative
Maria Elena Kennedy, Kennedy Communications
Rita Loof, RadTech International

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Felipe Aguirre
Todd Campbell, Clean Energy
Mary Ann Lutz, Mayor, City of Monrovia
Kelly Moulton, Paralegal
David Rothbart, Los Angeles County Sanitation District
Lupe Ramos Watson, Councilmember, City of Indio

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dr. William A Burke, Governing Board Chairman
Dr. Clark Parker, Governing Board Member
Josie Gonzales, Governing Board Member
Earl Elrod, Board Member Assistant (*Yates*)
Ruthanne Taylor Berger, Board Member Assistant (*Benoit*)

SCAQMD STAFF:

Derrick J. Alatorre, Asst. Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor
Ruby Fernandez, Sr. Deputy District Counsel
Carol Gomez, Planning & Rules Manager
Kathryn Higgins, Program Supervisor
Elaine-Joy Hills, AQ Inspector II
Lori Langrell, Secretary
Guillermo Sanchez, Sr. Public Affairs Manager
Lisha Smith, Deputy Executive Officer
Jill Whynot, Asst. Deputy Executive Officer

Agenda Item #1 - Call to Order/Opening Remarks

Mayor Dennis Yates called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Agenda Item #2 – Approval of October 10, 2014 Meeting Minutes/Review of Follow-Up/Action Items

Chair Yates called for approval of the October 10, 2014 meeting minutes. The Minutes were approved unanimously.

Agenda Item #3 –Review of Follow-Up/Action Items

Mr. Derrick Alatorre provided an update on the action item related to emissions reductions achieved through the Check Before You Burn program. Mr. Alatorre indicated that the 2012 control measure was calculated to potentially reduce Basin-wide ambient PM2.5 concentrations on these episodic no-burn days by about 7.1 tons per winter day (assuming 75% rule effectiveness). As one might assume, tracking actual emission reductions are difficult. The control measure also stated that the cost effectiveness was not estimated, but increasing the number of curtailment days would result in relatively few cost increases to the impacted community.

Agenda Item #4 –Implementation of AB 2766 Requirements

This item was tabled until the January 16, 2015 meeting upon District Counsel’s advice to comply with Brown Act requirements, given the participation of additional board members as guests, establishes a quorum.

Agenda Item #5 – Local Government & Small Business Assistance Advisory Group 2014 Accomplishments/2015 Goals & Objectives

Mr. Alatorre presented the LGSBA 2014 Accomplishments, and 2015 Goals & Objectives. Mr. Alatorre indicated the Goals & Objectives were distributed previously to the group via email. One recommendation for addition to the 2015 Objectives was made by member Mr. David Rothbart of Los Angeles County Sanitation. Mr. Rothbart indicated he wished to add “status update on SCAQMD’s implementation of OEHHA’s updated methods for estimating cancer risks.” With the group’s approval, this item will be added to the goals for 2015. Mr. Alatorre asked for any other recommendations. No further recommendations were noted, but Mr. Alatorre indicated that the members can email suggestions for consideration.

Agenda Item #5 –Monthly Report on Small Business Assistance Activities

No comments.

Agenda Item #6 - Other Business

No comments.

Agenda Item #7 - Public Comment

No comments.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.