



Board of Directors Regular Meeting MINUTES

Date: October 6, 2021
Time: Noon
Place: Zoom Meeting ID: 850 7069 2098 Passcode: 208873

1) Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m.

2) Roll Call

In attendance were President Rose, Vice-President Berry, Treasurer Reade, Secretary Allen, Past President Rafferty, Director Barget, Director Emerson, Director Geyer. Director Meyer was absent.

3) Approval of the Agenda

President Rose combined Election Committee and Nominating Committee items.

Motion by Rose to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Rafferty. Motion passed.

4) Approval of Board Minutes of September 1, 2021

Motion by Rafferty to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Geyer. Motion passed. There are no chapter minutes to approve.

5) Check-in / Board Members

Each board member reported news from their district.

6) LAFCO

Director Geyer reported that the next LAFCO meeting will be October 7. Goleta Sanitation District has two annexations on the agenda. The agenda is posted at <http://sblafco.org/>.

7) CSDA Regional Report

Charlotte Hollifield emailed her report to President Rose.

8) Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Reade emailed the Treasurer's report to all board members on October 6, 2021. The current checking account balance is \$11,361.69. Board members will reach out to districts who did not reestablish their membership in 2021. The option to provide a scholarship for smaller agencies

9) Vice-President's Report

Vice-President Berry had no report.

10) Written/Oral communications

Secretary Allen reported that President Rose received an email from the Ventura County chapter CSDA regarding their chapter meetings. The Ventura chapter meets every other month and typically holds its meetings at the facilities of one of their members. Only their holiday meeting is hosted at an outside venue, generally the Reagan Library in Simi Valley. Currently, the Ventura chapter is meeting in person with Zoom as an option for those who prefer to attend remotely. Members pay for their meal at the door.

Website

Secretary Allen reported that the new website is complete. Today's meeting documents were sent from the new site. The board needs discuss severing its \$2,400 annual contract with Cowan Communication Arts and bring the website administration in-house.

Motion by Rafferty to sever the SBCCSDA \$2,400 annual contract with Cowan Communication Arts and bring the website administration in-house. Second by Barget. Motion passed.

11) Old Business

Interim President

President Rose has agreed to continue as president on a month-to-month basis for the remainder of her term.

October 25 Chapter Meeting

President Rose reported that she has talked to Glen Annie Golf Course. The meal cost is \$31 per plate with a 25-plate minimum plus a \$250 room fee. The total would be \$1,025. The breakeven point is twenty-six attendees at \$40 per plate.

Motion by Rafferty to hold the October 25 chapter meeting at Glen Annie Golf Course with a Zoom option. Second by Emerson. Motion passed.

12) New Business

Chapter Meeting Frequency

President Rose suggested a bimonthly chapter meeting frequency (January, March, May, July, September, November). The board decided to continue quarterly meetings through 2022. Vice-President Berry will contact potential speakers for next year and will schedule the cyber security specialist for January 24, 2022.

Appoint Nominating Committee

President Rose appointed Director Barget and Director Geyer to the Nominating Committee with Past President Rafferty as an alternate member.

13) Committee Reports

There were no reports

14) Future Agenda Items

a) Future Speakers for 2022

Board members will submit agenda items to President Rose.

15) Next Board/Chapter Meetings

a. Board: November 3, 2021

b. Chapter: October 25, 2021 - Rick Wood, Finance and Administration Director, CSDA
- *CSDA Update and Financing Opportunities*

16) Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Allen, Ph.D., CSDM
Secretary

Santa Barbara Executive Board Update 10/6/21 Charlotte Hollifield

CSDA Annual Conference Great Success

- Since we last met, CSDA held its Annual Conference in Monterey
- Many of you were there
- 700 participants!
- Next year Palm Springs August 22 - 25

COVID-19 Relief Fund for Special Districts Now Open

- The application period for assistance is currently open and **will close Oct. 15**
- The application is pretty simple and straightforward
- To qualify, your district must:
 - Be an independent special district
 - Not have received direct funding assistance from the state or federal for pandemic impacts
 - Have revenue losses and / or expenditures related to the pandemic
- Additional information is on the CSDA Web site at Take Action / COVID page

AB 361

- CSDA sponsored AB 361 to codify the Governor's Executive Order pertaining to Brown Act provisions for public meetings when there is a state-declared state of emergency
- The bill was signed by the Governor last month and is now in effect
- **Districts should be adopting the bill's provisions if they wish to continue to meet remotely with the relaxed Brown Act requirements**
- Otherwise, as of October 1, pre-pandemic Brown Act requirements apply to all public meetings
- Reminder that we are still in a declared state of emergency due to COVID so the provisions of AB 361 do apply currently
- More information, plus a complete AB 361 Implementation Guide, is on the CSDA Web site on the Take Action page

LAFCO Legislation

- Proposed by San Diego LAFCO
- This proposal would seek to amend Government Code section 56133, a code section which deals with extension of services beyond local agency boundaries but contains specific exceptions for certain activities
- The proposal would require a local agency seeking to use the exception in the code *to get a determination* from the LAFCO Executive Officer as to whether the exemption applies to that agency's situation
- In essence, these exceptions would be at the EO's discretion

- Our legislative representative who is lead on this issue, Anthony Tannehill, is seeking feedback. Specifically, he would like know:
 1. **Does your agency take advantage of any of the exemptions in Government Code 56133(e)? and / or**
 2. **Would altering this exception as outlined above create issues for your agency?**

Anthony can be reached at anthonyt@csga.net

Water Shutoff Moratorium Extended

- On September 23, Gov. Newsom signed SB 155, a budget trailer bill
- This bill extended the water shutoff moratorium contained in the Governor’s Executive Order past its original expiration date of Sept. 30.
- As before, this moratorium applies to all community water systems and will last until at least the end of 2021 – and possibly longer
- This bill took effect immediately and water suppliers should take note about the extended prohibition on customer shutoffs for non-payment.

In Other Water News –

Application for drinking water arrearages reimbursements are now available via the Electronic Annual Report portal at the State Water Resources Control Board web site. All water suppliers intending to apply for this funding should have filled out a survey. If you did not, and you want to pursue this funding, you may still be eligible. An “abbreviated survey” is available at the E.A.R. portal also. Wastewater arrearages will be the next pot of funding available. This program will be in place by Feb. 1, 2022.

Board Secretary / Clerk Conference Coming Up!

- 10/25 – 10/27 in Anaheim
- 220+ registrants
- Still time to register