

**MINUTES OF THE FORMAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2016**

**WATER PLANNING COMMITTEE
CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Director Lewinger called the Water Planning Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Committee members present were Chair Tu*, Vice Chairs Brady* and Evans*, and Directors Ayala, Boyle, Fong-Sakai, Hall, Kennedy, Lewinger, Linden, Miller and Murtland. Directors absent were Cherashore, Preciado and Simpson. Also present were Directors Arant*, Croucher*, Gallo*, Heinrichs, Hogan, Muir*, Olson, Razak, Saxod, Steiner, Verbeke*, Watkins, Watton*, Weston, Williams* and Wilson. At that time, there was a quorum of the Board, and the meeting was conducted as a meeting of the Board; however, only committee members participated in the vote.

Staff present was General Manager Stapleton, Interim General Counsel Taylor, Deputy General Managers Belock and Kerl, Assistant General Manager Cushman, Water Resources Director Yamada, and Water Resources Manager Frieauf. Also present were Jack C. Kiefer, PhD, Senior Associate of Hazen and Sawyer, and Thomas W. Chesnutt, PhD, President of A&N Technical Services.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Director Lewinger welcomed those present and reviewed the agenda.

DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

There were no Directors' comments.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no Consent Calendar items.

II. ACTION/DISCUSSION

1. Update on water supply conditions and drought response activities.

Ms. Frieauf presented updated information on Northern Sierra precipitation and snowpack; State Water Project reservoir levels; Water Authority service area municipal and industrial potable water use; and precipitation outlooks for the next three months. She also reported on the State Water Resources Control Board February 2, 2016, Emergency Regulation.

Staff responded to questions and comments posed by Directors.

* Director Verbeke arrived at 9:10 a.m.

2. Report on Draft 2015 Urban water Management Plan Preliminary 2040 Baseline Water Demand Forecast, Conservation Savings and Water Resources Mix.

* Directors Arant, Brady and Evans arrived at 9:17 a.m.

Mr. Yamada reported on four of the six main elements that comprise the 2015 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP). He added that his presentation would contain more updated information than the draft data originally provided in the February 17, 2016, Board packet.

*Directors Watton and Williams arrived at 9:20 a.m.

Following Mr. Yamada's presentation on the development of the plan's demand forecast, staff and Dr. Keifer responded to questions and comments posed by Directors.

* Chair Tu arrived at 9:50 a.m.

Following Mr. Yamada's presentation on the calculations of future conservation savings as well as projected demand, reliability and supply scenarios, staff and Dr. Chesnutt responded to questions and comments posed by Directors.

* Director Muir arrived at 10:00 a.m.

Director Weston suggested it would be of interest if staff would return at a future committee meeting with scenarios calculated on a per capita basis. With respect to the "additional planned supplies" that could result from a proposed Camp Pendleton Desalination Project, Director Madaffer requested staff provide a timeline at a future committee meeting that would show the project's status in relation to the plan's projected 2035 and 2040 supply scenarios.

* Director Croucher arrived at 10:15 a.m.

III. INFORMATION

The following information items were received and filed:

1. Water Resources report.
2. Fiscal Year 2016 water supply allocations monitoring.

* Director Gallo arrived at 10:30 a.m.

IV. CLOSED SESSION

1. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
Government Code §54956.9(d)(4)
Potential Initiation of Litigation / One Case / State Water Resources Control
Board Emergency Regulations.

It was determined that a Closed Session would not be required.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Director Lewinger adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Chair Williams called the Engineering and Operations Committee meeting to order at 10:50 a.m. Committee members present were Chair Williams, Vice Chairs Miller and Watkins, and Directors Arant, Ayala, Boyle, Brady, Croucher*, Heinrichs, Hogan, Linden, Olson, Razak, and Simpson. Committee member absent was Director Morrison. Also present were Directors Barnum, Evans, Fong-Sakai, Gallo, Guerin, Hall, Hilliker, Kennedy, Lewinger, Madaffer, Muir, Murland, Saxod, Steiner, Tu, Verbeke, Watton, Weston, and Wilson. At that time, there was a quorum of the Board, and the meeting was conducted as a meeting of the Board; however, only committee members participated in the vote.

Staff present was General Manager Stapleton, Interim General Counsel Taylor, Deputy General Managers Belock and Kerl, Assistant General Manager Cushman, Interim Director of Operations and Maintenance Fisher, Director of Engineering Reed, Administrative Services Manager Troche, Energy Program Manager Rodgers, Right of Way Manager Kross, Senior Engineer Fountain, and Senior Right of Way Agent von Gymnich.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

There were no Directors' comments.

CHAIR'S REPORT

There was no Chair's Report.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Grant of Easement across San Diego County Water Authority fee owned property.
Staff recommendation: Authorize the General Manager to grant a permanent easement across San Diego County Water Authority fee owned property, at the appraised fair market value.

Director Arant moved, Director Olson seconded, and the motion to approve staffs' recommendation passed unanimously.

* Director Croucher arrived at 10:54 a.m., after the vote.

I. ACTION/DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

1. Public works and professional services contract selection process and dollar value limits for Consent items.
Staff recommendation: Continue the current practice of placing public works and professional services contracts valued less than \$1 million on the Consent Calendar.

Mr. Troche began the presentation by introducing procurement methods. Mr. Reed continued the presentation by discussing procurement methods used by the Engineering department, primarily for the capital improvement program. He reviewed processes and methods for Design-Bid-Build contracts including professional service contracts and public works construction contracts as well as Design-Build contracts. Mr. Fisher continued the presentation by explaining the process and methods used by the Operations & Maintenance department for selecting professional services contracts, primarily for technical and maintenance support services. Mr. Troche finished the presentation by displaying all Board approved public works contracts over the past three years. He also reviewed Board communication and California urban water agencies consent calendar practices.

Director Heinrichs made a motion to amend the staff recommendation to include the following information in all contract related board memos.

- 1) Original contract award amount,
- 2) Cumulative contract award amount,
- 3) Term of contract including dates for all amendments,
- 4) Statement of whether the contract amount was originally budgeted, and, if not, staff's proposal for funding the contract,
- 5) Explanation when the contract is recommended for sole source,
- 6) When applicable, a description of the bidding process and how the proposed vendor placed in relation to others for low bid, and
- 7) SCOOP metrics

Additionally, Committee and Board Officers may, for any reason, direct staff to remove an item qualifying for the Consent Calendar during pre-brief meetings.

Director Heinrichs moved, Director Ayala seconded, and the motion to approve the amended recommendation passed unanimously.

2. Capital Improvement Program construction cost update.

This item was continued until the March 24, 2016 meeting.

III. INFORMATION

1. Hydropower Subcommittee Update.

Director Hogan, Hydropower Subcommittee Chair, reported that the Subcommittee met with Navigant, the City of San Diego, and Water Authority staff on February 17, 2016. He stated that Navigant provided an update of its work and reported that seven preliminary business models were identified for evaluation. He also noted that Navigant was conducting an economic analysis and would report the results at an Engineering and Operations workshop in May 24, 2016. He reported that the FERC application comment period had ended and stakeholders' comments were being reviewed and addressed by staff. Staff also gave the Subcommittee an update on various energy initiatives, strategic plan status, and work in the energy regulatory environment. Lastly, the Hydropower Subcommittee's role was discussed and a recommendation would be prepared and reported at the March 24, 2016 Engineering and Operations Committee meeting.

IV. CLOSED SESSION

There were no closed session items.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Engineering and Operations Committee, Chair Williams adjourned the meeting at 11:26 a.m.

LEGISLATION, CONSERVATION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE
CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Croucher called the Legislation, Conservation and Outreach Committee to order at 11:33 a.m. Committee members present were Chair Croucher, Vice Chairs Guerin and Steiner, and Directors Barnum, Gallo, Hall, Hilliker, Madaffer, Muir, Saxod and Tu. Committee members absent were Directors Morrison, Preciado and Supervisor Roberts. Other Board members present were Directors Arant, Ayala, Boyle, Brady, Evans, Fong-Sakai, Heinrichs, Hogan, Kennedy, Lewinger, Linden, Miller, Murtland, Olson, Razak, Simpson, Verbeke, Watkins, Watton, Weston, Williams and Wilson. At that time, there was a quorum of the Board, and the meeting was conducted as a meeting of the Board; however, only committee members participated in the vote.

Staff present were General Manager Stapleton, Interim General Counsel Taylor, Deputy General Managers Belock and Kerl, Assistant General Manager Cushman, Director of Public

Outreach and Conservation Foster and Government Relations Manager Farrel. Also present were legislative representatives Ken Carpi and Steve Cruz.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Croucher reported that nearly 2,000 bills were introduced in the California Legislature since January 1, 2016. He stated that staff and legislative advocates were reviewing all the newly introduced bills, and the LCO Committee would be considering positions on newly introduced water-related bills over the coming months.

He also reported that staff and legislative advocates had secured AB 2515 by Assemblymember Shirley Weber as the Water Authority's spot bill to address potential drought response legislation.

Chair Croucher announced that for the second straight year the Water Authority would be participating in the U.S. EPA's annual Fix a Leak Week promotion scheduled on March 14-20, 2016 by partnering with the local chapter of the Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors Association to promote incentives for fixing leaks. He stated that participating contractors would offer customers a 10 percent discount (up to \$100) on products and services related to fixing leaks at homes and businesses during the promotion.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Adopt positions on various state bills.

Staff recommendation:

1. Adopt a position of Support if Amended on AB 1749 (Mathis), relating to CEQA exemptions for recycled water pipeline projects.
2. Adopt a position of Oppose Unless Amended on SB 814 (Hill), relating to mandatory monetary penalties for excessive water use.

Director Steiner moved, Director Tu seconded, and the motion to approve staffs' recommendation passed unanimously.

II. ACTION/DISCUSSION

1. Legislative Issues.

- 1-A Washington Report by Ken Carpi.

Mr. Carpi provided a Washington update and reported that the President introduced his fiscal year 2017 budget which would go into effect October 1, 2016. He also provided an update on Senator Feinstein's California drought bill.

1-B Sacramento Report by Steve Cruz – Gonzalez, Quintana, Hunter & Cruz.

Mr. Cruz provided a Sacramento report which included that 2,000 new bills were introduced to the Legislature this year. He also provided an overview of bills relating to water issues being discussed in the Legislature.

1-C Federal legislative priorities for 2016.

Staff recommendation: Adopt federal legislative priorities for 2016.

Acknowledge that implementation actions involve Water Authority staff, legislative advocates, AND Board members.

Incorporate updated background information into Section 7 – Portable Reuse – to reflect current activities related to the City of San Diego’s Pure Water project.

Mr. Farrel presented a review of the proposed federal legislative priorities for 2016. He reported that staff had received input from Board members in finalizing the priorities.

Director Steiner moved, Director Barnum seconded, and the motion to approve staffs’ recommendation passed unanimously.

III. INFORMATION

The following information items were received and filed:

1. Drought Response Communications and Outreach Update.
2. Government Relations Update.
3. Newly Introduced Bills.
4. Status Report on Legislation and Legislative Positions.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Legislation, Conservation and Outreach Committee, Chair Croucher adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

IMPORTED WATER COMMITTEE

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Chair Watton called the Imported Water Committee meeting to order at 1:06 p.m. Committee members present were Chair Watton, Vice Chairs Saxod and Verbeke, and Directors Barnum, Evans, Guerin, Heinrichs, Hogan, Madaffer, Murtland, Olson, Steiner, Weston, Wilson, and Supervisor Roberts*. Also present were Directors Arant, Ayala, Brady, Cherashore, Croucher, Fong-Sakai, Gallo, Hall, Hilliker, Kennedy, Lewinger, Linden, Miller, Morrison, Muir, Simpson, Tu, Watkins and Williams. At that time, there was a quorum of the Board, and the meeting was conducted as a meeting of the Board; however, only committee members participated in the vote.

Staff present included General Manager Stapleton, Interim General Counsel Taylor, Deputy General Managers Belock and Kerl, Assistant General Manager Cushman, MWD Program Director Chen, and Colorado River Program Director Denham.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Watton reported on shortage predictions on the Colorado River, noting that there would be no shortage in 2016, but Reclamation projected a 17-37% chance of a first tier Lower Basin Shortage in 2017, with projections increasing to 60% for 2018-2020. In accordance with the 2007 Interim Guidelines and Minute 319, a first level shortage in 2017 would result in a cutback to Arizona, Nevada, and Mexico.

He announced that improved February 1, 2016 snowpack conditions resulted in Department of Water Resources increasing the State Water Project allocation from 15% to 30%.

Chair Watton also reported that MWD held two meetings on its proposed biennial budget for fiscal years 2017 and 2018, and associated rates and charges for calendar years 2017 and 2018. MWD would hold a public hearing on budget and rates, and suspending the ad valorem tax rate limitation, at its March 8, 2016 Board meeting. The hearings would be held before MWD provide a cost of service report, which is necessary to understand MWD costs allocation and proposed rates.

* Supervisor Roberts arrived at 1:23 p.m.

DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

There were no Directors' comments.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no consent calendar items.

II. ACTION/DISCUSSION

1. Metropolitan Water District Issues and Activities update.
 - 1-A Metropolitan Water District Delegates report.

The delegates reported on discussion and actions taken at recent MWD board meetings.

- 1-B Metropolitan Water District's Proposed Budget and Rates for 2017 and 2018.

Mr. Cushman and Ms. Chen made a joint presentation on Metropolitan Water District's proposed biennial budget for fiscal years 2017 and 2018, and rates and charges for calendar years 2017 and 2018. They discussed MWD's unconventional tactics, changed practices, and concerns with MWD's proposed budget and rate setting process. Following the presentation, Directors asked questions and made comments.

1-C Metropolitan Water District's Consideration of Delta Wetlands Properties.

Item II-1-C was continued to the March 24, 2016 Board meeting.

2. Colorado River Programs.
2-A Colorado River Board Representative's report.

Director Wilson reported on discussions at the February 2016 Colorado River Board meetings. He announced that the next meeting would be held at the San Diego County Water Authority Headquarters on March 9, 2016.

III. INFORMATION

The following information item was noted and filed:

1. Metropolitan Water District Program Report.

Mr. Taylor took the Committee into Closed Session at 2:37 p.m.

IV. CLOSED SESSION

1. CLOSED SESSION:
Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)
Name of Case: SDCWA v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
Case Nos. CPF-10-510830; CPF-12-512466; and CPF-14-514004
2. CLOSED SESSION:
Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)
Name of Case: State Water Resources Control Board
Petition of Imperial Irrigation District for Modification of Revised Water Rights
Order 2002-0013
3. CLOSED SESSION:
Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Government Code §54956.9(d)(4)
Initiation of Litigation / One Case / MWD Rates and Charges

Mr. Taylor brought the Committee out of Closed Session at 3:08 p.m. and stated there was no reportable action.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Imported Water Committee, Chair Watton adjourned the meeting at 3:08 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Chair Arant called the Administrative and Finance Committee meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. Committee members present were Chair Arant, Vice Chair Wilson, Directors Cherashore, Fong-Sakai, Gallo, Hilliker, Kennedy, Lewinger, Muir, Verbeke, Watton, Weston, and Williams. Vice Chair Razak and Director Watkins were absent. Also present were Directors Ayala, Croucher, Heinrichs, Hogan, Madaffer, Miller, Murtland, Olson, Preciado, Saxod, Simpson, and Tu. At that time, there was a quorum of the Board, and the meeting was conducted as a meeting of the Board; however, only committee members participated in the vote.

Staff present was General Manager Stapleton, Interim General Counsel Taylor, Deputy General Managers Belock and Kerl, Assistant General Manager Cushman, Director of Finance Harris, Director of Administrative Services Brown, Controller Greek, and Financial Planning Manager Shank. Also present were Doug Montague of Montague and Associates and Phoebe Selden of Acacia Financial Group.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Arant announced due to time constraints the Controller's report was pulled.

DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

There were no Directors' comments.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Monthly Treasurer's Report on Investments and Cash Flow.

Staff recommendation: Note and file the monthly Treasurer's report.

2. Amendment to Agreement for Special Services with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore to increase the contract limit by \$50,000 to a total of \$270,000.

Staff recommendation: Authorize the General Counsel to execute an amendment for special services with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore to increase the contract limit by \$50,000 to \$270,000.

Director Muir moved, Vice Chair Wilson seconded, and the motion to approve staffs' recommendations passed unanimously.

II. ACTION/DISCUSSION

1. Approve the selection of firms to renew the Water Authority's pre-qualified underwriting pool, the selection of a new liquidity facility to support the commercial paper program and the recommended comprehensive debt management strategy.

Staff recommendation:

1. Approve the recommended pre-qualified underwriter pool;
2. Approve the selection of Bank of America as the liquidity provider and Adopt Resolution 2016-__ authorizing the issuance and sale of short-term revenue certificates and authorizing and approving certain actions in connection therewith; and
3. Approve the recommended comprehensive debt management strategy.

Ms. Harris gave a brief presentation highlighting the renewal of pre-approved underwriting pool; commercial paper management; and the recommended comprehensive debt management strategy.

Director Lewinger moved, Director Kennedy seconded, and the motion to approve staffs' recommendations passed unanimously.

2. Controller's Report on Monthly Financial Reports.

Item II-2 was pulled due to time constraints.

III. INFORMATION

1. Board Calendar.

V. CLOSED SESSION

There were no Closed Session items.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Administrative and Finance Committee, Chair Arant adjourned the meeting at 3:18 p.m.

FORMAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING OF FEBRUARY 25, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER Chair Weston called the Formal Board of Directors' meeting to order at 3:27 p.m.
2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG Director Preciado led the salute to the flag.

3. **ROLL CALL, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

Vice Chair Muir called the roll. Directors present were Arant, Ayala, Barnum, Cherashore, Croucher, Evans, Fong-Sakai, Gallo, Guerin, Hall, Hilliker, Heinrichs, Hogan, Kennedy, Lewinger, Madaffer, Miller, Morrison, Muir, Murtland, Olson, Preciado, Saxod, Simpson, Steiner, Tu, Verbeke, Watton, Weston, Williams, Wilson, and Supervisor Roberts. Directors absent were Boyle, Brady, Linden(p), Razak, and Watkins.

3-A **Report on proxies received.** Director Verbeke was the proxy for Director Linden.

4. **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

There were no additions to the agenda.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Director Evans moved, Director Murtland seconded, and the motion carried at 86.71% of the vote to approve the minutes of the Formal Board of Directors' meeting of January 28, 2016. Director Arant abstained.

6. **OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON MATTERS WITHIN THE BOARD'S JURISDICTION**

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

7. **PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS**

There were no presentations or Public Hearings scheduled.

8. **REPORTS BY CHAIRS**

8-A **Chairs report:** Chair Weston reported on the completion of the General Counsel recruitment process, and added that the contract was on the agenda for later in the meeting. He thanked the selection committee, Board Officers, Directors Razak and Brady, and staff for the assistance provided throughout the recruitment process.

He also announced that the fifth class of the Citizens Water Academy graduated on Saturday, February 20, 2016 with great reviews from all participants. In closing, he mentioned that discussion had taken place regarding expanding the Hydropower Task Force scope and added that more information would be provided in March.

8-B **Report by Committee Chairs:**

Water Planning Committee. Director Tu reviewed the meeting and stated there was no action taken.

Engineering and Operations Committee. Director Williams reviewed the meeting and the action taken.

Legislation, Conservation and Outreach Committee. Director Croucher reviewed the meeting and the action taken.

Imported Water Committee. Director Watton reviewed the meeting and the action taken.

Administrative and Finance Committee. Director Wilson reviewed the meeting and the action taken.

9. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Director Arant moved, Director Muir seconded, and the motion carried at 92.13% of the vote to approve the consent calendar. Directors voting no or abstaining are listed under the item number.

- 9- 1. Grant of Easement across San Diego County Water Authority fee owned property.
The Board authorized the General Manager to grant a permanent easement across San Diego County Water Authority fee owned property, at the appraised fair market value.

- 9- 2. Public works and professional services contract selection process and dollar value limits for Consent items.

The Board approved to continue the current practice of placing public works and professional services contract valued less than \$1 million on the Consent Calendar with no formal presentation to the Board and directed staff to include the following information in all related Board letters:

- 1) Original contract award amount,
- 2) Cumulative contract award amount,
- 3) Dates during which the contract is in effect,
- 4) Statement of whether the contract amount was originally budgeted, and, if not, staff's proposal for funding the contract,
- 5) Explanation when the contract is sole sourced,
- 6) When applicable, a description of the bidding process and how the proposed vendor placed in relation to others for low bid, and
- 7) SCOOP metrics.

Additionally, Committee and Board Officers may, for any reason, direct staff to remove an item qualifying for the Consent Calendar during pre-briefs.

- 9- 3. Adopt positions on various state bills.

The Board adopted a position of Support if Amended on AB 1749 (Mathis), relating to CEQA exemptions for recycled water pipeline projects and adopted a position of Oppose Unless Amended on SB 814 (Hill), relating to mandatory monetary penalties for excessive water use.

- 9- 4. Federal legislative priorities for 2016.

The Board adopted federal legislative priorities for 2016.

- 9- 5. Monthly Treasurer's Report on Investments and Cash Flow.
The Board noted and filed the monthly Treasurer's report.
- 9- 6. Amendment to Agreement for Special Services with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore to increase the contract limit by \$50,000 to a total of \$270,000.
The Board authorized the General Counsel to execute an amendment to the agreement for special services with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore to increase the contract limit by \$50,000 to \$270,000.
- 9- 7. Approve the selection of firms to renew the Water Authority's pre-qualified underwriting pool, the selection of a new liquidity facility to support the commercial paper program and the recommended comprehensive debt management strategy.
The Board approved the recommended pre-qualified underwriter pool; approved the selection of Bank of America as the liquidity provider and adopted Resolution 2016-02 authorizing the issuance and sale of short-term revenue certificates and authorizing and approving certain actions in connection therewith; and approved the recommended comprehensive debt management strategy.

At that time Chair Weston took the agenda out of order and moved on to Special Reports.

11. **SPECIAL REPORTS**
- 11-A GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT – Ms. Stapleton stated there was nothing further to report.
- 11-B GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT – Mr. Taylor stated there was nothing further to report.
- 11-C SANDAG REPORT – Vice Chair Muir stated that SANDAG was in the process of preparing for the annual retreat which would focus on a “quality of life measure”, which may have an impact on the Water Authority.
SANDAG Subcommittee: Borders/Regional Planning Committee – Director Saxod stated there was nothing to report.
- 11-D AB 1234 Compliance Reports – No reports were given.

At 3:36 p.m. Mr. Taylor took the Board into Closed Session on items 12-D and 12-E.

12. **CLOSED SESSION(S)**
- 12-A Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Government Code §54956.9(d)(4)
Potential Initiation of Litigation / One Case / State Water Resources Control Board Emergency Regulations

- 12-B Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)
Name of Case: SDCWA v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California; Case Nos. CPF-10-510830; CPF-12-512466; and CPF-14-514004
- 12-C Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)
Name of Case: State Water Resources Control Board
Petition of Imperial Irrigation District for Modification of Revised Water Rights Order 2002-0013
- 12-D Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Government Code §54956.9(d)(4)
Initiation of Litigation / One Case / MWD Rates and Charges
- 12-E Public Employee Appointment
Government Code §54957(b)(1)
Position to be filled: General Counsel

Mr. Taylor brought the Board out of Closed Session at 3:51 p.m. and stated there was no reportable action.

10. **ACTION/DISCUSSION**

10-A **Approval of contract for General Counsel.**

Director Tu moved, Director Lewinger seconded, and the motion carried at 92.13% of the vote to approve the contract for General Counsel.

Chair Weston welcomed Mr. Mark Hattam as the next General Counsel for the San Diego County Water Authority and wished him great success in the position and announced that his start date was March 14, 2016.

13. **ACTION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION**

14. **OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**


15. **ADJOURNMENT**
The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.



Mark Weston, Chair



Mark Muir, Vice Chair



Melinda Cogle, Clerk of the Board