

**MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP BOARD MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY (MWDOC)
WITH THE MWDOC MET DIRECTORS**

February 6, 2019

At 8:30 a.m. President Barbre called to order the Workshop Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) at the District facilities located in Fountain Valley. Director Finnegan led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Goldsby called the roll.

MWDOC DIRECTORS

Brett R. Barbre*
Larry Dick*
Joan Finnegan
Wayne Osborne
Megan Yoo Schneider
Sat Tamaribuchi
Jeffery M. Thomas

MWDOC STAFF

Robert Hunter, General Manager
Karl Seckel, Assistant General Manager
Joe Byrne, Legal Counsel
Maribeth Goldsby, Secretary
Harvey De La Torre, Associate General Manager
Melissa Baum-Haley, Sr. Water Resource Analyst
Kevin Hostert, Water Resources Analyst
Joe Berg, Dir. of Water Use Efficiency
Charles Busslinger, Principal Engineer
Heather Baez, Governmental Affairs Manager
Damon Micalizzi, Director of Public Affairs
Chris Lingad, Water Resources Analyst

*Also MWDOC MET Directors

OTHER MWDOC MET DIRECTORS

Larry McKenney
Linda Ackerman

OTHERS PRESENT

Mark Monin
Kathryn Freshley
Jose Vergara
Mike Dunbar
Doug Reinhart
Peer Swan
Paul Weghorst
Jim Atkinson
Kelly Rowe
John Kennedy
Mike Markus
Adam Hutchinson
Dennis Erdman
Wayne Miller
Ed Means
Laer Pearce
Liz Mendelson-Goossens
Kristy Khachigian
Steve Arakawa

El Toro Water District
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Emerald Bay Service District
Irvine Ranch Water District
Irvine Ranch Water District
Irvine Ranch Water District
Mesa Water
Orange County Water District
Orange County Water District
Orange County Water District
Orange County Water District
South Coast Water District
Yorba Linda Water District
Means Consulting
Laer Pearce & Associates
San Diego County Water Authority
San Diego County Water Authority
Metropolitan Water District of So. Calif.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PUBLIC COMMENTS

President Barbre inquired whether any members of the public wished to comment on agenda items.

Mr. Laer Pearce addressed the Board with positive comments on the Cadiz Project.

ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED - Determine need and take action to agendize item(s), which arose subsequent to the posting of the Agenda. (ROLL CALL VOTE: Adoption of this recommendation requires a two-thirds vote of the Board members present or, if less than two-thirds of the Board members are present, a unanimous vote.)

No items were presented.

ITEMS DISTRIBUTED TO THE BOARD LESS THAN 72 HOURS PRIOR TO MEETING

President Barbre inquired as to whether there were any items distributed to the Board less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

It was noted that the presentation materials were distributed to the Board and made available to the public.

PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

INPUT OR QUESTIONS ON MET ISSUES FROM THE MEMBER AGENCIES/MET DIRECTOR REPORTS REGARDING MET COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION

Director Ackerman highlighted the reception event honoring new MET Chairwoman Gloria Gray. Ms. Ackerman also highlighted MET's Finance & Insurance Committee and Real Property and Asset Management Committee (wherein a presentation was made regarding agricultural water use efficiency efforts) activities, Delta issues, and further changes to MET's Conservation Programs (turf removal, etc.).

Director McKenney noted that a Facilities Naming Ad Hoc Committee was formed and are currently discussing facilities to be named in honor of Carl Boronkay and Lois Krieger.

(Director Yoo Schneider arrived at 8:40 a.m.)

Director Dick noted that the MET Board will be considering the purchase of 730 acres in Palo Verde. He also noted that three new MET Directors will be sworn-in in March (Jasmine Hall, Adan Ortega, and Jose Solorio).

Director Barbre commented on the thorough reports given by the other Directors, noting he had nothing further to add.

WATER SUPPLY UPDATE

MWDOC Water Resources Analyst, Kevin Hostert, provided a presentation on the U.S. drought monitor, climate outlook, local precipitation statistics, northern California Accumulated precipitation, storage level data throughout the state, the State Water Project Table A allocations (currently at 15%), and MET estimated storage levels.

Following discussion regarding OCWD's storage behind Prado Dam, the Board received and filed the report as presented.

PRESENTATION REGARDING STATE WATER PROJECT (SWP) COOPERATIVE OPERATING AGREEMENTS BY METROPOLITAN STAFF

MET Manager on, Bay-Delta Initiatives, Steve Arakawa, presented updates on the California WaterFix and the Coordinated Operations Agreement.

With respect to the WaterFix, Mr. Arakawa provided updates on the Delta Stewardship Council (Certification of Consistency, Delta Plan, etc.), the State Water Resources Control Board activities, and updates on the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority and Delta Conveyance Finance Authority activities. Discussion ensued regarding the remaining issues and anticipated actions (change in point of diversion, certification of consistency, environmental planning, geotechnical investigations, permitting, property rights, and utility interconnections).

Mr. Arakawa then provided an overview of the Coordinated Operations Agreement (COA) (defines sharing of water supply benefits and obligations of the CVP and SWP), noting that the key changes in the 2018 (COA) pertain to sharing of in-basin use obligations and sharing of export capacity. He also reviewed any potential impacts to the State Water Project. Considerable discussion ensued regarding flow requirements and restrictions.

Following discussion, the Board received and filed the reports as presented.

CALIFORNIA WATERFIX ACTIVITIES UPDATE

No additional information was discussed; the Board received and filed the staff report.

MWD ITEMS CRITICAL TO ORANGE COUNTY

- a. MET's Water Supply Conditions
- b. MET's Finance and Rate Issues
- c. Colorado River Issues
- d. Bay Delta/State Water Project Issues
- e. MET's Ocean Desalination Policy and Potential Participation by MET in the Doheny Desalination Project
- f. Orange County Reliability Projects
- g. East Orange County Feeder No. 2
- h. South County Projects

The Board received and filed the information as presented.

METROPOLITAN (MET) BOARD AND COMMITTEE AGENDA DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Summary regarding January MET Board Meetings
- b. Review items of significance for the upcoming MET Board and Committee Agendas

The Board received and filed the information.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Maribeth Goldsby
Board Secretary