

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY  
May 17, 2023**

At 8:30 a.m., President Yoo Schneider called to order the Regular Meeting of the Municipal Water District of Orange County, in the Board Room at the District facilities located in Fountain Valley, as well as including attendance via the Zoom Webinar application. Following a moment of silence, Secretary Goldsby led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the roll.

**MWDOC DIRECTORS**

Al Nederhood  
Larry Dick  
Bob McVicker  
Karl Seckel  
Randall Crane  
Jeffery M. Thomas  
Megan Yoo Schneider

**STAFF**

Harvey De La Torre, Interim General Manager  
Joe Byrne, Legal Counsel  
Maribeth Goldsby, Board Secretary  
Melissa Baum-Haley, Int. Dir. of MET Issues/Policy  
Damon Micalizzi, Director of Public Affairs  
Cathy Harris, Director of HR and Administration  
Heather Baez, Governmental Affairs Manager  
Hilary Chumpitazi, Accounting Manager

**ALSO PRESENT**

Doug Davert  
Dave Youngblood  
Kathryn Freshley  
Mike Gaskins  
Kay Havens  
Mark Monin  
Jose Vergara  
Vu Chu  
Doug Reinhart  
Peer Swan  
Paul Weghorst  
Keith Van Der Maaten  
Jim Atkinson  
Don Froelich  
Sherry Wanninger  
John Kennedy  
Bruce Dosier  
Saundra Jacobs  
Chip Monaco  
Brad Reese  
Jerry Vilander  
Bill Green  
Greg Pennington  
Jennifer Lopez  
Tom Lindsey  
Mark Toy  
Lisa Ohlund  
Kristy Khachigian  
Charles Luas

East Orange County Water District  
East Orange County Water District  
El Toro Water District  
El Toro Water District  
El Toro Water District  
El Toro Water District  
El Toro Water District  
El Toro Water District  
Irvine Ranch Water District  
Irvine Ranch Water District  
Irvine Ranch Water District  
Laguna Beach County Water District  
Mesa Water  
Moulton Niguel Water District  
Moulton Niguel Water District  
Orange County Water District  
Orange County Water District  
Santa Margarita Water District  
Santa Margarita Water District  
Serrano Water District  
Serrano Water District  
South Coast Water District  
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South Coast Water District  
Yorba Linda Water District  
Yorba Linda Water District  
Ohlund Management & Technical Services  
KK Consulting

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Yoo Schneider announced that members of the public wishing to comment on agenda items could do so after the item has been discussed by the Board and requested members of the public identify themselves when called on. Ms. Yoo Schneider asked whether any member of the public had any comments on items that are not on the agenda.

No public comments were received.

**ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED**

No items were received.

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

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

No items were distributed to the Board within 72 hours of the meeting.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

President Yoo Schneider stated all matters under the Consent Calendar would be approved by one MOTION unless a Director wished to consider an item separately.

Upon MOTION by Director McVicker, seconded by Director Thomas, and carried (7-0) the Board approved the Consent Calendar items, by the following roll call vote:

- AYES: Directors Nederhood, Dick, McVicker, Seckel, Crane, Thomas and Yoo Schneider
- NOES : None
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None

**MINUTES**

The following minutes were approved.

- April 5, 2023 Workshop Board Meeting
- April 6, 2023 Special Board Meeting
- April 6, 2023 Special Board Meeting (Elected Officials Forum)
- April 19, 2023 Regular Board Meeting
- April 28, 2023 Special Board Meeting
- April 29, 2023 Special Board Meeting

**COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS**

The following Committee Meeting reports were received and filed as presented.

Planning & Operations Committee Meeting:	April 3, 2023
Administration & Finance Committee Meeting:	April 12, 2023
Executive Committee Meeting:	April 20, 2023
MWDOC/OCWD Joint Planning Committee:	April 26, 2023

**TREASURER'S REPORTS**

The following items were ratified and approved as presented.

MWDOC Revenue/Cash Receipt Register as of April 30, 2023  
Disbursement Registers (April/May)

The following items were received and filed as presented.

Summary of Cash and Investment and Portfolio Master Summary Report (Cash and Investment Report) as of March 31, 2023

PARS Monthly Statement (OPEB Trust)

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

The following items were received and filed as presented.

Combined Financial Statements and Budget Comparative for the Period Ending March 31, 2023

Quarterly Budget Review

**CALL FOR CANDIDATES AND AUTHORIZATION TO VOTE ON BEHALF OF MWDOC IN THE ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCIES' (ACWA) ELECTION OF PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, AND REGION 10 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board authorized MWDOC Board President Megan Yoo Schneider or her designee to cast the District's ballot for the ACWA President, Vice President, and Region 10 Board of Directors; and directed staff to bring this item back to the Board in August after the official ballot has been released, to review the candidates for both President and Vice President, and the Region 10 Board of Directors. At that time, the Board can determine if they would like to direct the District's designee to vote for particular candidates.

**- END CONSENT CALENDAR -**

**ACTION CALENDAR**

**ANNUAL REVIEW OF DISTRICT INVESTMENT POLICY AND GUIDELINES**

Upon MOTION by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Dick, and carried (7-0), the Board adopted RESOLUTION NO. 2140 approving the changes to the Investment Policy and guidelines, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors Nederhood, Dick, McVicker, Seckel, Crane, Thomas and Yoo  
 Schneider  
 NOES : None  
 ABSENT: None  
 ABSTAIN: None

**INFORMATION CALENDAR**

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT, MAY 2023**

Interim General Manager De La Torre advised that the full General Manager's report was included in the Board packet.

The Board received and filed the report as presented.

**MWDOC GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS**

**a. BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board members each reported on their attendance at the regular (and special) MWDOC Board and Committee meetings. In addition to these meetings, the following reports were made on conferences and meetings attended on behalf of the District.

Director Nederhood advised that he attended all of the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, MWDOC/OCWD Joint Planning, and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Workshop and Regular, and Special Board meetings), the MET Committees (including the MET Executive Committee), the WACO and WACO Planning meetings, OCWD's Groundwater Replenishment System dedication, and the OC LAFCO meeting.

Director Dick stated that he attended all of the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings, (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, MWDOC/OCWD Joint Planning, and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Workshop and Regular and Special Board meetings), the regularly scheduled MET Board and Committee meetings, a pre-meeting for the MET Finance, Audit, Insurance & Real Property Committee, a reception for Chair Ortega (in Menefee), legislative meetings with Senator Min and Assemblywoman Sanchez (along with Heather Baez and Director Crane), the Ad Hoc Committee regarding the OC LAFCO MSR focused study, the Southern California Water Committee, the ISDOC Executive Committee, the MET Caucus, MET planning meeting(s) with the MWDOC/MET delegation, the WACO meeting, and a meeting with Senator Janet Nguyen. He also noted that he presented information to the Rotary Club.

Director McVicker reported that he attended all of the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, MWDOC/OCWD Joint Planning and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Workshop meeting and Regular and Special Board meetings), the OCWA luncheon, the MET Long-Term Regional Planning Subcommittee meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee (GM recruitment) meeting, the ISDOC Executive Committee, the WACO meeting, the Operational Area Executive Board quarterly meeting, a CSDA Roundtable event (at Assemblyman Tri Ta's office), and the MET Committee meetings.

Director Seckel advised that he attended the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, MWDOC/OCWD Joint Planning and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Workshop and Regular and Special Board meetings), the regularly scheduled MET Board and Committee meetings, the WACO meeting, the OC Water Summit planning meeting, the MET Caucus, a meeting with representatives from Moulton Niguel Water District, the pre-MET meeting with the MWDOC MET delegation, and the ACWA conference.

Director Crane reported that he attended the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings, (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, MWDOC/OCWD Joint Planning and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Workshop meeting and Regular and Special Board meetings), a meeting with representatives from Moulton Niguel Water District, legislative meetings with Senator Min and Assemblywoman Sanchez (along with Heather Baez and Director Dick), and the OC Water Summit planning meeting. He advised that he gave a presentation to a CSUF class.

Director Thomas stated that he attended all of the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings, (the Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, MWDOC/OCWD Joint Planning and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Workshop and Regular and Special Board meetings), the OC Water Summit planning meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee (GM Recruitment) meeting, the ACWA conference, and the ACWA/JPIA conference and meetings.

Director Yoo Schneider advised that she attended all of the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, MWDOC/OCWD Joint Planning and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Workshop and Regular and Special Board meetings), the ASCE Infrastructure Conference (in San Diego) wherein she participated on a panel, the SMWD Board meeting, the UCI Deans Leadership Council/Future of Graduate Education meeting, a meeting with Paul Brown, the SMWD Water Festival, the ACWA conference, and she had a discussion with Joaquin Esquivel who expressed interest in speaking at an upcoming Water Policy dinner.

**a. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS**

Although no topics were suggested, SMWD Director Sandra Jacobs asked for the Board's support and vote for SMWD Director Chuck Gibson who is running for the ACWA Region 10 Board.

IRWD Director Peer swan suggested the MET Directors report on the MET meetings (at this meeting).

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Yoo Schneider adjourned the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Maribeth Goldsby, Secretary