

Board of Directors and Officials
Barbara Balen (TUD) – Secretary
Randy Fletcher (YWA) – Director
Jim Holmes (County of Placer) – Director
Mike Lee (PCWA) – President
Dan Miller (County of Nevada) – Director
Paul Molinelli Jr. (AWA) – Director
Brian Oneto (County of Amador) – Director
Scott Ratterman (CCWD) – Vice-President
Vacant – Director

Dave Breninger, retired (PCWA) – Governmental Affairs Official Tom Cumpston, Legal Counsel

Justin Caporusso - Executive Director

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 24, 2021

Location: Zoom Meeting ITEM 1

❖ Call the Meeting to Order – Mike Lee, President at 10:00 a.m.

In Attendance: Mike Lee, Scott Ratterman, Randy Fletcher, Jim Holmes

Absent: Barbara Balen, Paul Molinelli, Jr., Dan Miller, Brian Oneto

Participants: Jim Branham, Justin Caporusso, Tom Cumpston, Rayann La France

Introductions, Announcements, Agenda Item Changes, Public Comment

## **BUSINESS ITEMS**

1. Consideration to approve the August 2021 Board Minutes

Motion: Jim Holmes Second: Randy Fletcher

Motion passed unanimously.

**Action:** Approved August 27, 2021 Board Minutes

2. Update on October 27 Event

Jim Branham provided an update on the planning activities, revenue, and expenses for the October 27 event in Loomis. Jim Branham also confirmed Yuba Water will provide A/V services for the event. Minor changes to the event agenda were discussed to include Angela Avery from Sierra Nevada Conservancy to present information related to fire history. Additionally, the Board discussed COVID-19 protocols to incorporate local jurisdiction guidance (i.e., Placer County) as the number of event participants is less than what California considers for indoor "mega events" (1,000 people or more). MCWRA will provide hand sanitizer on-site, practice social distancing, and attendees are welcome to wear face coverings if desired.

Actions: No action taken.

3. Update on Membership and 2021-2022 Budget

Motion: Jim Holmes Second: Randy Fletcher

Motion passed unanimously.

**Action:** Approved financial update.

4. Report from Incoming Executive Director Justin Caporusso

Justin Caporusso addressed the Board with ideas for a smooth transition as the new Executive Director. He indicated wanting to setup meetings with all Board members individually for feedback on several items including 1) priorities for MCWRA, 2) discussing background of MCWRA, 3) input on strategy for MCWRA, and 4) facilitating introductions to key contacts and organizations to continue building relationships with members and potential members. Justin Caporusso also mentioned developing an annual work plan for 2022 (i.e., strategic initiatives), pursuing partnerships with current and potential members and media representatives, continuing researching the 501c3 designation, building a social media presence and overall brand identity, and ultimately rebranding MCWRA down the line. Reviewing MCWRA Bylaws, process for filling vacant positions on the Board, and recognizing John Kingsbury and Jim Branham as Honorary Members was also discussed.

**Actions:** No action taken.

Next Board meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at El Dorado Water Agency office in Placerville, CA.

**Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.