



#### Board of Directors and Officials

Scott Ratterman (CCWD) – President  
Barbara Balen (TUD) – Vice President  
Jim Holmes (County of Placer) – Secretary  
Lori Anzini (EID) – Treasurer  
Mike Lee (PCWA) – Director  
Lori Parlin (County of El Dorado) – Director  
Sue Hoek (County of Nevada) – Director  
Don Blaser (YWA) – Director  
Susan Peters (AWA) – Director

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

Justin Caporusso – Executive Director

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

## **ITEM 1**

JUNE 2, 2023  
Location: Zoom

- ❖ Call the Meeting to Order – Scott Ratterman, President at 9:00 a.m.

In Attendance: Scott Ratterman, Jim Holmes, Mike Lee, Lori Parlin, Sue Hoek, Dan Blaser  
Absent: Susan Peters, Barbara Balen, Lori Anzini  
Participants: Justin Caporusso, Rayann La France, Tom Cumpston, Larry McKinney

- ❖ Introductions, Announcements, Agenda Item Changes, Public Comment

### **BUSINESS ITEMS**

1. Consideration to approve the April 14, 2023 Board Minutes

Motion: Lori Parlin  
Second: Jim Holmes

Motion passed unanimously.

**Action:** Approve April 14, 2023 Board Minutes.

2. Review and Adopt 2023-2024 Operating Budget

Justin Caporusso summarized MCWRA Operation Budget Comparison 2022/2023 to 2023/2024, highlighting increases for tax preparation and filing, insurance, planning and hosting events, and overall expenses for traveling to and attending conferences. MCWRA has restructured the compensation schedule for Dave Breninger to \$225 per month and up to \$250 per fiscal year for expenses (e.g., mileage). Advocacy fees were also reflected in the presented operations budget. Rayann La France provided an update on process for sending invoices and accepting payments for the next fiscal year. A Google Form link was emailed to all members in Spring 2023 requesting current contact information and notifying members that membership renewal notices would be delivered electronically. Invoices are scheduled to be sent out in mid-June and MCWRA will accept credit cards payments upon request.

Motion: Jim Holmes  
Second: Sue Hoek

Motion passed unanimously.

**Action:** Approve 2023-2024 Operating Budget

3. California-United Water Conference: Silicon Valley Tour Update

Justin Caporusso discussed current status of the Silicon Valley Tour, which is scheduled to take place June 21-23, 2023 in Silicon Valley. The event timeline, which outlined a number of panels and speakers and an exciting tour of local innovative water projects, and latest projected revenue and expenses were provided to Directors for review and information. At the time of this meeting, MCWRA had received \$18,000 in committed sponsorships for the Tour. MCWRA Board Directors and Members were encouraged to register for the upcoming Tour and help spread the word within their local agencies/entities.

4. Legislative Update

Justin Caporusso provided an update on priority legislation as outlined in previous materials. AB 338 is under Legislative Committee review and currently discussing potential amendments. As of this of time meeting, MCWRA is opposing AB 338 as written. Staff has participated in meetings with Senator Marie Alvarado-Gil and Assemblymember Joe Patterson and is scheduled to meet with Assemblymember Megan Dahle in May. Future meetings with Jim Patterson and Heath Flora are currently being discussed.

A near-future Legislative Tour is being explored and may include Assemblymember Joe Patterson and Assemblymember Megan Dahle who have expressed interest. Justin Caporusso mentioned that a list of additional invitees would be identified soon. MCWRA plans to coordinate with Placer County Water Agency, and possibly Yuba Water Agency, El Dorado Water Agency, and El Dorado Irrigation District, to plan the one-day event to tour a local watershed. The event would likely occur within the first two weeks of October 2023. Lori Parlin suggested touring Alder Creek Reservoir given recent authorization for feasibility study as it relates to high elevation storage. Additional details will be forthcoming.

5. Reports

• Executive Director:

- The Executive Member Sponsored Training Program will be hosted by Placer County. A poll was sent out to members to determine a date but may be delayed until 2024. Tom Cumpston will be working on content for the training, which will include ethics and water rights education.
- Associate Member Webinars are currently being scheduled. Presenting members include West Yost (06/28), Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates (08/16), ESA (October), and HDR Engineering, Inc. (December).
- Meetings/Presentations/Speaking Engagements
  - WUE Standards Working Group: SWRCB Meeting (04/17)
  - Sierra Day at the Capitol (04/19)
  - Legislative Committee Meeting (05/05)
  - ACWA Conference: 05/08-05/11

- Notes regarding 2023 in-person meeting locations:
  - August 4 (El Dorado Hills) – hosted by El Dorado Water Agency
    - Reception hosted by ESA on August 3
  - October 13 (Plymouth) – hosted by Amador Water Agency
    - Reception on October 12
  - Potential co-hosted event with ACWA Region 3
- Other notes:
  - Dave Breninger (not present) is leading the ad hoc committee on membership structure. Dave is reaching out to agencies and organizations with similar membership structures for discussions on future membership dues adjustments.
- Board Members:
  - Scott Ratterman: will be presenting with Justin Caporusso at Union Public Utility District's 8/16 Board meeting

Next Board meeting time and location is scheduled for August 4, 2023 at El Dorado Water Agency, 1107 Investment Blvd., Suite 240, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762.

**Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned at 9:51 a.m.