

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
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APPROVED MINUTES

Summary of Board of Directors
Executive Committee Meeting
9:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 30, 2006

1. **Call to Order - Roll Call:** Vice-Chair Mark Ross called the meeting to order at 9:44 a.m.

Present: Gayle B. Uilkema (9:58 a.m.), Chair, Chris Daly, Jerry Hill (10:01 a.m.), Patrick Kwok, Mark Ross, John Silva, Tim Smith.

Absent: Erin Garner, Brad Wagenknecht.

2. **Public Comment Period:** There were no public comments.

3. **Approval of Minutes of February 16, 2006:** Director Daly moved approval of the minutes; seconded by Director Kwok; carried unanimously without objection.

4. **Quarterly Report of the Hearing Board – January 2005-March 2006:** In the absence of Hearing Board Chairperson Tom Dailey, Jack Broadbent, Executive Officer/APCO presented the *Hearing Board Quarterly Report – January 2006 – March 2006*. Mr. Broadbent noted that the Hearing Board held its election of officers and Dr. Dailey was elected Chairperson and Christian Colline was elected Vice-Chair. Dr. Dailey wished to extend his thanks to the Board of Directors for the proclamation that will be presented to retiring Hearing Board member Bob Saxe.

Committee Action: None. This report provided for information only.

5. **Report of the Advisory Council: March 22 – April 12, 2006**

Kraig Kurucz, Advisory Council Chairperson, presented the report and thanked Board Chair Uilkema for attending the last Advisory Council meeting. Mr. Kurucz noted that the Committees and Council have heard presentations on the Community Air Risk Evaluation (CARE) Program, woodsmoke, and asthma. On May 18th, new members of the Council were given an orientation and tour of the Air District. Mr. Kurucz provided a brief update on the following topics: particulate matter, woodsmoke, climate change, good movement, asthma, and the CARE Program.

Chair Uilkema arrived at 9:58 a.m.

There was discussion on the issue of the role of the Council regarding outreach to the community. Mr. Kurucz noted that all of the Council and Committee meetings are open to the public and that the membership of the Council is diverse.

Director Jerry Hill arrived at 10:01 a.m.

Mr. Kurucz suggested that staff from the District's Outreach and Incentives Division attend the next Council meeting.

Committee Action: The Committee provided direction to the Advisory Council regarding outreach to the community. The report was received and filed.

6. The United States Environmental Protection Agency's Proposed Revisions to National Particulate Matter Standards: *Staff provided the Committee with an overview of proposed revisions to the national ambient air quality standards for particulate matter.*

Henry Hilken, Director of Planning, Rules & Research, introduced the item and stated that earlier this year, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed revising the national ambient air quality standards and air monitoring requirements for particulate matter (PM).

David Vintze, Air Quality Planning Manager, presented the report and provided background information on particulate matter. Mr. Vintze reviewed EPA's proposed new standards for particulate matter, the new air quality standards implementation schedule, the background of PM monitoring in the Bay Area, proposed changes to PM monitoring requirements, and implications for Air District programs.

A comparison was shown of the proposed 24-hour National Standard and the current 24-hour National Standard. The Air District also submitted written comments to EPA on the proposed changes. There was discussion on consequences if the District did not meet the new standards and what actions would need to be taken. Chair Uilkema requested that a copy of the letter to EPA be sent to each Board member.

Committee Action: None. This report provided for information only.

7. Status Report on Carl Moyer Funding Formula: *Staff provided a status report on the methodology for allocating Carl Moyer Program funds to the Bay Area and other regions.*

Mr. Broadbent provided a status report and stated that the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA) has been in discussions regarding how the formula could be amended to emphasize that the allocation be population-based. CAPCOA also reviewed ways to implement these changes to the allocation formula. A change in the allocation formula based on population would allow an additional \$2 million to come to the Bay Area.

Committee Action: None. This report provided for information only.

Mr. Broadbent explained that a bill regarding the Carl Moyer Program funds is being carried by Senator Soto (SB 225) and would need a support position from the Air District. The Air District will write a letter, from the Board Chair, expressing a support position on this bill.

Chair Uilkema requested that the Legislative Committee look at this issue.

8. **Joint Policy Committee Update:** This item was deferred to the next meeting of the Committee.

Mr. Broadbent noted that at the next Joint Policy Committee meeting the issue of incompatible land use and air quality may be discussed.
9. **Committee Member Comments/Other Business:** Director Silva noted that at the time the Pacific Steel Casting facility was built, there were not a lot of Environmental Impact Reports (EIRs) being done. Director Silva stated that the community should be made aware that this Air District does respond to EIRs.
10. **Time and Place of Next Meeting:** At the Call of the Chair.
11. **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

/s/ Mary Romaidis

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Clerk of the Boards