

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
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APPROVED MINUTES

Summary of Board of Directors
Legislative Committee Meeting
Thursday, March 14, 2013

1. Call to Order – Roll Call

Committee Chairperson Tom Bates called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Present: Committee Chairperson Tom Bates; and Directors Susan Adams, John Avalos, Scott Haggerty, David Hudson, Nate Miley and Brad Wagenknecht.

Absent: Vice-Chairperson John Gioia and Director Carol Klatt.

Also Present: Board of Directors Chairperson Ash Kalra.

2. Public Comment Period:

Jeanne Quock addressed the Committee to follow up on her request for legislation regarding the mitigation of emissions from back-up diesel generators, as initially requested at the meeting of the Board of Directors on March 6, 2013. Chairperson Bates asked for clarification that the Air District is currently working on a rule on this subject as opposed to legislation. Jack Broadbent, Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer, confirmed staff is already working on a proposed rule.

3. Approval of Minutes of March 21, 2012, and December 3, 2012

Committee Comments: None.

Public Comments: None.

Committee Action: Director Hudson made a motion to approve the Minutes of March 21, 2012, and December 3, 2012; Director Wagenknecht seconded; and the motion carried unanimously.

4. Update on Air District Legislative Initiatives

NOTED PRESENT: Directors Haggerty and Miley were noted present at 9:37 a.m.

Thomas Addison, Senior Advanced Projects Advisor, delivered the staff report Update on Air District Legislative Initiatives, including the two primary components: to sponsor legislation in

response to the August 6, 2012, fire at the Chevron Richmond refinery, which would allow higher penalties for one-day incidents that disrupt communities; and to reauthorize critical air quality funding programs due to expire in the next several years, including the Carl Moyer and Assembly Bill (AB) 923 programs.

Committee Comments:

Chairperson Bates and Directors Adams and Hudson asked for more information on AB 8 Perea/Skinner and Senate Bill (SB) 11 Pavley/Rubio, which was provided by Mr. Addison and Brian Bunger, District Counsel.

Public Comments: None.

Committee Action:

Director Wagenknecht made a motion, seconded by Director Hudson, to recommend the Board of Directors take the following positions on the following bills:

Support: AB 8 Perea/Skinner and SB 11 Pavley/Rubio; and

Sponsor: SB 691 Hancock

The motion carried unanimously.

5. Consideration of New Bills

Mr. Addison delivered the staff report Consideration of New Bills, including those deemed by staff to be the most significant to the Committee for its consideration.

Committee Comments: None.

Public Comments: None.

Committee Action:

Director Wagenknecht made a motion, seconded by Director Adams, to take an oppose position on AB 794 Gorell. The motion carried with Director Hudson voting no.

Director Hudson made a motion, seconded by Director Adams, to take an oppose position on AB 818 Blumenfield. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Wagenknecht made a motion, seconded by Director Haggerty, to take an oppose position on AB 866 Lindner. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Wagenknecht made a motion, seconded by Director Adams, to take a support position on AB 953 Ammiano. The motion carried with Directors Haggerty and Hudson voting no.

Chairperson Bates asked staff to develop a proposed amendment to the portion of the Administration Code relating to votes of abstention.

Director Haggerty made a motion, seconded by Director Hudson, to take a support position on AB 1077 Gorell. The motion carried with Director Bates voting no.

Director Wagenknecht made a motion, seconded by Director Adams, to take a support in concept position on AB 1193 Ting. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Wagenknecht made a motion, seconded by Director Miley, to take a support in concept position on SB 454 Corbett. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Avalos made a motion, seconded by Director Wagenknecht, to take an oppose position on SB 621 Gaines. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Wagenknecht made a motion, seconded by Director Hudson, to take oppose positions on SB 736 Wright and SB 760 Wright. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Bates asked about bills regarding the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which questions were answered by Mr. Addison. Chairperson Bates asked that there be further discussion on CEQA-related bills at the next Committee meeting.

The Committee and staff discussed SB 792 DeSaulnier.

6. Proposed Delegation Visit to Sacramento

Mr. Addison delivered the staff report Proposed Delegation Visit to Sacramento regarding whether and when to schedule such a visit. The Committee and staff discussed the same.

Committee Comments: None.

Public Comments: None.

Committee Action: None; informational only.

7. Committee Members' Comments/Other Business: None.

8. Time and Place of Next Meeting: At the Call of the Chairperson.

9. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

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