

Bay Area Air Quality Management District  
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## **APPROVED MINUTES**

Summary of Board of Directors  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Monday, March 17, 2014

### **1. Call to Order – Roll Call**

Chairperson Nate Miley called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

Present: Chairperson Nate Miley; Vice-Chairperson Carole Groom; and Directors John Gioia, Scott Haggerty, Mark Ross and Brad Wagenknecht.

Absent: Directors Tom Bates, Ash Kalra and Mary Piepho.

Also Present: None.

### **2. Public Comment Period:** No requests received.

### **3. Approval of the Minutes of December 16, 2013**

Executive Committee (Committee) Comments: None.

Public Comments: No requests received.

Committee Action:

Director Wagenknecht made a motion to approve the Minutes of December 16, 2013; Director Haggerty seconded; and the motion carried by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Gioia, Groom, Haggerty, Miley, Ross and Wagenknecht.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Bates, Kalra and Piepho.

### **4. Hearing Board Quarterly Report: October – December 2013**

Hearing Board Chairperson Terry Trumbull, Esq., presented the quarterly report of the Air District Hearing Board for October through December 2013, including summaries of the cases and fees collected.

Committee Comments: None.

Public Comments: No requests received.

Committee Action: None; receive and file.

## **5. Senate Bill (SB) 1339 – Bay Area Commuter Benefits Program**

Henry Hilken, Director of Planning, Rules and Research, introduced David Burch, Principal Environmental Planner of Planning, Rules and Research, who gave the staff presentation *Bay Area Commuter Benefits Program* (BACBP), including the purpose and positive benefits of the BACBP; the four commuter benefit options that employers could choose among; applicability of the BACBP; employer outreach and public workshops; input received; recent progress and preparations for implementation; and next steps.

Committee Comments:

The Committee and staff discussed population segments with the possibility of limited BACBP options, such as minimum-wage service workers in the suburbs who travel after peak hours; the logistics of payroll deductions for employers; BACBP plans for the continuing education of employers; a proposal to phase-in the BACBP in the three urban centers that receive transit funding support; plans for BACBP promotion and outreach; the possibility that the BACBP tax treatment may not be beneficial to all employers; how employers who currently provide the benefit do so; compliance enforcement plans; the next steps for the Air District; and the meaning of comments on slide 9, *Comments Received*, “Exempt worksites not near transit” and “Expand beyond commuter trips.”

Public Comments: No requests received.

Committee Action: None; receive and file.

## **6. Community Air Risk Evaluation (CARE) Program Update**

Mr. Hilken introduced Phil Martien, Ph.D., Air Quality Engineering Manager of Planning, Rules and Research, who gave the staff presentation *CARE Program Update*, including air quality improvement and remaining challenges; CARE program objectives and accomplishments; health impact reductions; first identified cumulative impact areas; an overview of the update objectives and methodology; the effect of episodic factors; use of maps; and next steps.

In regard to slide 4, *Air Quality Challenges Remain*, the Committee and staff discussed, how the cancer risk map was created; how to align it with health data and the presumed causes for some of the areas identified as having higher risk; and why there appears to be drop in the risk level for a stretch along the Interstate 580 corridor.

Dr. Martien continued the presentation.

In regard to slide 17, *Uses of Map*, the Committee and staff discussed a past staff proposal at targeted efforts in response to an earlier version of this map and possible uses going forward.

Dr. Martien concluded the presentation.

Committee Comments:

The Committee and staff discussed the possibility of cap-and-trade revenue that will have to be spent in defined communities; the need to include the defined community data on the CARE map on slide 17, *Uses of Map*; Air District concerns relative to CalEnviroScreen and the impact on the Bay Area; the Air District's intention to engage CARE areas regardless of regional demographics; the need for the development of a metric for revenue disbursement that takes into account population density; how this will affect the ongoing discussion regarding Neptune Crematorium in Oakland; and the possibility of applying stricter cumulative impact standards to new facilities in specific regions within the Bay Area and the potential impact on economic development in those areas.

Public Comments: No requests received.

Committee Action: None; receive and file.

**7. Briefing Regarding Senate Bill (SB) 1415 (Hill) – Bill Regarding Air District Advisory Council**

Jack Broadbent, Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer, delivered the staff report *Briefing Regarding SB 1415 (Hill)*.

Committee Comments: None.

Public Comments: No requests received.

Committee Action: None; receive and file.

**8. Committee Member Comments/Other Business:** None.

**9. Time and Place of Next Committee Meeting:**

Monday, April 21, 2014, Bay Area Air Quality Management District Headquarters, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109 at 9:30 a.m.

**10. Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

*/s/ Sean Gallagher*

Sean Gallagher  
Clerk of the Boards