

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
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APPROVED MINUTES

Advisory Council Executive Committee
9:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 12, 2007

- 1. Call to Order – Roll Call:** Chairperson Glueck called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
Present: Fred Glueck, Chairperson, Sam Altshuler, Louise Bedsworth, Ph.D., Ken Blonski, Harold Brazil, (9:06), Jeffery Bramlett, (9:19), and Kraig Kurucz, (9:45).

- 2. Public Comment Period:** There was none.

- 3. Approval of August 9, 2007 Minutes:** Mr. Altshuler moved for approval of the minutes, second by Mr. Blonski; the minutes carried unanimously.

- 4. Committee Reports:**

A). Technical Committee meeting of August 6, 2007: Mr. Altshuler reported that Dr. Mark Z. Jacobson, of Stanford University provided a presentation to the Committee on Evaluation of Proposed Solution to Air Pollution /Global Warming. Dr. Jacobson stated that Global warming will hasten as aerosol (non black carbon) pollution decreases. Global warming will lead to increases in air pollution caused mortality due to its effect on atmospheric temperature, water vapor and stability. Dr. Jacobson stated that each ethanol or gasoline vehicle developed from now on will enhance air pollution and climate problems significantly compared with each renewable-powered battery-electric or hydrogen fuel cell vehicle produced. Mr. Altshuler announced the next meeting of the Technical Committee is scheduled for Monday, October 1, 2007, staff will provide a presentation on Methane and Carbon trends in California.

B). Air Quality Planning Committee: Mr. Blonski reported that the Committee did not meet due to lack of a quorum. He also added that the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 10, 2007. Air District staff might give a discussion on Congestion Pricing and David Burch will provide a discussion on Hotlink/HOV Lane and the Doyle Drive project. The presentations will provide different scenarios and different points of view to members of the Council.

C). Public Health Committee: Mr. Bramlett reported that the Committee did not meet due to lack of a quorum. Mr. Bramlett announced the next Public Health Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 10, 2007. The Committee will provide a draft recommendation on Indoor Air Quality and Asthma. There will also be

presentations at the next meeting date by Dr. Tony Iton of the Association of Bay Area Health Officers and Committee member, Dr. Janice Kim on air quality and living near busy roads.

D). Executive Committee meeting of August 9, 2007: Mr. Glueck reported that the Committee had discussions on the restructuring of the Council's Standing Committees and moved that agenda items 5 and 6 be combined.

5. Continued discussion of Advisory Council Standing Committee Restructuring and 6.) Recommendation of Proposed Topics for Future Meetings

Chairperson Glueck stated that restructuring the Standing Committees was recommended in order to create and maintain efficient and effective use of the Council's time. Chairperson Glueck further stated topic discussions are more efficient. The Executive Committee will organize the list of discussion topics submitted by members of the Council prior to the January retreat. Topics will be allocated to the appropriate Committees. Executive Management staff of the Air District will provide recommendations to the Executive Committee of the Advisory Council prior to the November 14th meeting.

Chairperson Glueck stated that at the Committee level a clearly defined scope of work and the anticipated outcome should be stated for each topic. Vice-Chair, Bedsworth opined that flexibility in defining scope of work inherent with regard to interdisciplinary roles. The Executive Committee and full Council should be effectively used to improve efficiency of Committees. Vice-Chair, Bedsworth will be making presentation to the Council.

Dr. Bedsworth stated that the Executive Committee contemplated restructuring the standing Committees based on topics of expertise but eventually agreed on restructuring according to expertise. She also added that the Committee will use Ad Hoc committees on topics that need more input and research. Dr. Bedsworth stated that with this restructuring, the Council retreat will be used as an avenue to discuss division of labor and designate committees accordingly.

Discussion among members ensued concerning the restructure, scope of work definition, duty scope, meeting schedule, and the ambiguity in the name structure.

Mr. Blonski inquired with regard to the definition of scope. Dr. Bedsworth expressed concern with the scope of work on the incoming Chairperson. Another concern raised by Dr. Bedsworth was the meeting schedules. With regard to the seeming ambiguity in the name structuring, Chairperson Glueck clarified that the name structure should not create barriers to effectiveness but the process and the product of committees handling of issues posed to them should be the main focus. Chairperson Glueck also asked about the legality with regards to Brown Act Law; of Committees acting as Ad Hoc where members from different committees can attend meetings jointly or otherwise.

District Attorney, Brian Bunger was not available to respond to the above issue; Kelly Wee, Acting DAPCO responded not as an Attorney and advised the Committee to be cautious and maintain transparency.

Mr. Bramlett shared that there is a concern of Ad Hoc Committees making recommendations directly to the Council. At this point, Chairperson Glueck clarified that the intent of Ad Hoc Committee is a venue for other Committee members who have interest in topics to air their views. Mr. Bramlett also added that the Council should come up with strategies to improve efficiency, recommendations, select topics and review at the retreat; ask questions if there are any and look forward to accomplishments.

- 7. Consideration and Recommendation of Proposed Guidelines for Guest Speakers:** Mr. Glueck stated that potential speakers should give outlines/printed documents of highlights of presentation to make for comprehensive reading. Speaker guidelines for technical data and presentations was discussed, speakers will be requested to provide a summary of their presentation at the end of the presentation. Copies of the presentation will be included as an attachment in all final minutes. The minutes of the meeting will be reviewed by each presenter.
- 8. Committee Members Comments/Other Business:** There was none.
- 9. Time and Place of Next Meeting:** 9:00 a.m., November 14, 2007, Conference Room 716, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109.
- 10. Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

/s/ Chioma Dimude
Chioma Dimude
Acting Executive Secretary