1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

Legislative Committee (Committee) Vice Chair Mitchoff called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

Present: Committee Chair Brad Wagenknecht and Committee Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff; and Directors John Avalos, Scott Haggerty, and David Hudson.

Absent: Directors John Gioia and Shirlee Zane.

Also Present: None.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No requests received.

3. REVIEW OF THE 2016 LEGISLATIVE YEAR (OUT OF ORDER, ITEM 4)

Jean Roggenkamp, Deputy Executive Officer, introduced Tom Addison, Senior Policy Advisor, who summarized actions from the 2016 Legislative year pertaining to the District’s interests. Bills that the District sponsored or generally supported included: AB 1685 (Gomez), AB 2055 (Gibson), AB 2292 (Gordon), AB 2841 (Allen), ACR 112 (Hadley), SB 32 (Pavley), SB 773 (Allen), SB 1128 (Glazer), SB 1338 (Lara), SB 1383 (Lara), and SB 1441 (Leno). Bills that the District opposed included: AB 1550 (Gomez) and SB 1239 (Gaines).

NOTED PRESENT: Committee Chair Wagenknecht was noted present at 9:40 a.m. and Director Avalos was noted present at 9:45 a.m.

Public Comments:

No requests received.

Committee Comments:

The Committee and staff discussed the history of the recent trends regarding Air District Boards of Directors in California and how this may affect the District in the future; potential repercussions and financial consequences due to Southern California’s representation in the Capitol; the addition of two Environmental Justice representatives on the California Air
Resources Board of Directors; the elements of AB 197 (Garcia); the significance of the extension of SB 1128; the need for the revision and improvement of CalEnviroScreen and disadvantaged Bay Area communities that are being excluded; variables that create a CalEnviroScreen score; ways in which the District can engage the University of California and/or the Legislature to initiate the study on motor vehicle registration fraud and failure to register a motor vehicle, under SB 773; ways in which the District can revive the efforts of dead legislation that would have developed and implemented energy efficiency upgrades and investments at public ports; the feasibility of the District drafting its own bill that could focus specifically on ports adjacent to disadvantaged areas; and the future of hydrogen fueling in the Bay Area, particularly regarding sales and use tax exemption and income tax credits for hydrogen refueling station equipment.

Committee Action:

None; receive and file.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 30, 2015, OCTOBER 26, 2015, MARCH 21, 2016, AND JUNE 27, 2016 (ITEM 3)

Public Comments:

No requests received.

Committee Comments:

None.

Committee Action:

Director Hudson made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Mitchoff, to approve the minutes of March 30, 2015, October 26, 2015, March 21, 2016, And June 27, 2016; and the motion carried by the following vote of the Committee:

NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Gioia and Zane.

5. DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL 2017 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Mr. Addison predicted potential issues worthy of the Committee’s consideration. These included the obstacles to the identification of disadvantaged communities for state funding, and maximum penalties for violations of stationary source air regulations.

Public Comments:

No requests received.
Committee Comments:

The Committee and staff discussed holding public workshops to address the increasing deficiencies of CalEnviroScreen Version 3.0, and the public’s need to see the Board’s engagement regarding this issue; the point at which the District should become involved with the South Coast Air Quality Management District’s efforts to reformulate penalties for stationary source air regulations; appropriate ceilings that can incentivize good behavior and penalty structures to act as deterrents; and how future wood-burning standards may impact the District’s current programs.

Committee Action:

At the consensus of members present, the Committee recommended that the Board pursue and support legislation seeking to reform CalEnviroScreen as means of distribution of state revenues, and support legislative efforts relative to reformulating penalties for stationary source air regulations.

6. COMMITTEE MEMBERS’ COMMENTS / OTHER BUSINESS

None.

7. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

At the call of the Chairperson.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

/S/ Marcy Hiratzka
Marcy Hiratzka
Clerk of the Boards