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APPROVED MINUTES

Summary of Board of Directors
Community Equity, Health & Justice Committee Meeting
Friday, February 19, 2021

This meeting was conducted under procedures authorized by executive order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom. Members of the committee participated by teleconference.

1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

Community Equity, Health & Justice Committee (Committee) Co-Chairperson, Davina Hurt, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Co-Chairpersons Davina Hurt and Tyrone Jue; Vice Chair Nate Miley; and Directors John Bauters, Rich Constantine, John Gioia, Katie Rice, and Lori Wilson.

Absent: Directors Carole Groom, Brad Wagenknecht, and Shamann Walton.

Also Present: None.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 4, 2021

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Andres Soto, Communities for a Better Environment (CBE).

Committee Comments

None.

Committee Action

Director Gioia made a motion, seconded by Director Bauters, to **approve** the Minutes of February 4, 2021; and the motion carried by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Bauters, Constantine, Gioia, Hurt, Jue, Rice, Wilson.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Groom, Miley, Wagenknecht, Walton.

3. STRUCTURE, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND GENERAL METHODS OF OPERATION OF THE RICHMOND-NORTH RICHMOND-SAN PABLO COMMUNITY EMISSIONS REDUCTION PLAN COMMUNITY STEERING COMMITTEE (CERP CSC)

Veronica Eady, Senior Deputy Executive Officer of Policy & Equity, gave the staff presentation *Structure, Responsibilities, and General Methods of Operation of the Richmond-North Richmond-San Pablo Community Emissions Reduction Plan Community Steering Committee*, including: presentation outcome and outline; timeline to select and seat the CERP CSC; elements of the recommendation; and feedback requested/prompt.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Andres Soto, CBE; Dr. Raymond Tompkins, African-American Community Health Equity Council; Randy Joseph, Richmond resident; LaDonna Williams, All Positives Possible; Jed Holtzman, 350 Bay Area; Aaron Winer, Council of Business and Industry of West Contra Costa County; Dr. Henry Clark, West Contra Costa County Toxics Coalition; Latasha Washington, Richmond resident; Oscar Garcia, Richmond resident; Quanah Brightman, United Native Americas; and Nancy Peace Aguirre, Richmond resident.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed the way in which a “Board Liaison” for the CERP CSC will be identified; whether the CERP CSC members will have to sign a participation agreement; the suggestion that Air District staff provides both Ralph M. Brown Act and ethics trainings to the CERP CSC members; which set of Parliamentary Rules (Robert’s or Rosenberg’s,) should be used at CEPR CSC meetings, and which entity will ensure that the CERP CSC will appropriately utilize whichever set of rules are selected; and the need to respect the varying degrees of technical and scientific knowledge of those that attend CERP CSC meetings.

Committee Action

Director Wilson made a motion, seconded by Director Rice, to recommend the Board **approves** the following staff recommendations regarding the structure, responsibilities, and general methods of operation of the Richmond-North Richmond-San Pablo Community Emission Reduction Plan Community Steering Committee:

Role of the CERP CSC (from The People's Plan Guidance for CERP Development Process)	1. Identify the scope of issues to be considered
	2. Inform technical analyses to understand these issues
	3. Co-develop strategies to solve the issues identified
	4. Ensure continued accountability for plan implementation
Co-Chair Structure	Two Co-chairs shall be selected by the voting members of the CERP CSC
How the Committee Will Report to the Board	A Board Liaison shall be appointed to the CERP CSC (<i>by the CERP CSC, per the Committee</i>) and shall provide report backs to the full Board.
Committee's Rules of Order	Robert's Rules of Order

The motion carried by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Bauters, Gioia, Hurt, Jue, Rice, Wilson.
 NOES: Constantine.
 ABSTAIN: None.
 ABSENT: Groom, Miley, Wagenknecht, Walton.

4. SLATE OF RECOMMENDED CANDIDATES FOR THE RICHMOND-NORTH RICHMOND-SAN PABLO COMMUNITY EMISSIONS REDUCTION PLAN COMMUNITY STEERING COMMITTEE

Ms. Eady gave the staff presentation *Slate of Recommended Candidates for the Richmond-North Richmond-San Pablo Community Emissions Reduction Plan Community Steering Committee*, including: presentation outcome and outline; timelines to select and seat a CERP CSC; membership size, resident representation, and the role of the industry; summary of applicants; location of applicants; Richmond neighborhoods; Community Design Team applicant review; balancing the recommended slate; initial study area demographics; and feedback requested/prompt.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Andres Soto, CBE; Oscar Garcia, Richmond resident; Frances Keeler, California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance; Dr. Henry Clark, West Contra Costa County Toxics Coalition; Janet Johnson, Sunflower Alliance, Hakim Johnson, Chevron; Dr. Raymond Tompkins, African-American Community Health Equity Council; and YAnad Burrell, Richmond resident.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed how the CERP CSC member recommendation/selection process would incorporate the fact that the Committee previously decided that the CERP CSC shall have an odd number of members, between 27 and 31; whether the top 26 recommended applicants (based on the CERP CSC Design Team's recommendations) were demographically

diverse enough to represent the community, and if not, what additional demographic representations would be necessary to balance the Committee's diversity; whether Air District staff was able to obtain any of the 'Conflict of Interest' forms that had not been submitted by applicants by the February 4, 2021 Committee meeting; the number of industry representatives within the top 26 recommended applicants; whether any of the applicants had withdrawn their applications since submitting them, or been appointed to new jobs that would change their declarations regarding Conflict of Interest; types of health care professionals among the applicants; how the recent appointment of applicant, Dr. Rohan Radhakrishna, as the new Deputy Director of the Office of Health Equity at the California Department of Public Health, affects the recommendation of having one CERP CSC member be a Contra Costa County Health Department representative, and the suggestion of leaving that one seat vacant until a new Contra Costa County Health Department representative can be identified; how CERP CSC member vacancies are to be filled; and the fact that applicant, Floy Andrews, has her own business but is also employed at another, and why only one of these occupations was identified in the selection materials for her; whether CERP CSC Design Team members should be seated on the CERP CSC; whether, after the Committee had recommended a total of 30 members, how resignations or new appointments to the Committee should be handled; and whether alternate CERP CSC members will be appointed.

NOTED PRESENT: Vice Chair Miley was noted present at 2:19 p.m.

The Committee RECESSED from 3:28 p.m. to 3:44 p.m.

Committee Action

Director Wilson made a motion, seconded by Director Gioia, to recommend that the Board **approves** the following slate of 30 candidates for the Richmond-North Richmond-San Pablo Community Emissions Reduction Plan Community Steering Committee, and 1 seat reserved for a representative of the Contra Costa County Public Health Department (currently vacant), for a total of 31 members:

Alfredo Rafael Angulo-Castro	Gloria Ruiz	Lucia Castello
Amanda Booth	Hakim Johnson	Micaela Zaragoza-Soto
Arto Rinteela	Heidi V Swillinger	Nancy Aguirre
Bret Andrews	Henry Clark	Omoniyi Omotoso
Darlana David	Jeffrey L Kilbreth	Patricia A. Daniels
Darlene Rios Drapkin	Jessica Range	Phillip Mitchell
Dave Severy	Jim Holland	Roberta Feliciano
Erika Ramirez	Kevin Ruano Hernandez	Suzanne Coffee
Fabiola Reyes	Lizbeth Ibarra	Vernon Whitmore
Francisco Avila	Lizette Bernal	YAnad Burrell

The motion carried by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES:	Bauters, Gioia, Hurt, Jue, Miley, Rice, Wilson.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.
ABSENT:	Constantine, Groom, Walton, Wagenknecht.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

Public comments were given by Andres Soto, CBE; LaDonna Williams, All Positives Possible; and Jed Holtzman, 350 Bay Area.

6. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Co-Chair Jue thanked Co-Chair Hurt and Air District staff for preparing and executing this item.

Director Gioia urged Air District staff to work with Assemblymember Buffy Wicks, who has agreed to champion a bill that would impose greater fines and penalties upon refineries for leak and spill incidents.

7. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, March 4, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., via webcast, pursuant to procedures authorized by Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

/S/ Marcy Hiratzka
Marcy Hiratzka
Clerk of the Boards