



Executive Committee Meeting

Draft Minutes

Friday, April 29, 2022

12:00 pm

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1. Welcome & Roll Call

Present: Directors: Arriola (Tracy), Kalb (Oakland), Martinez (Emeryville), and Chair Lopez (San Leandro),

Excused: Mei (Fremont)

Director Mei was present for closed session.

2. Public Comment

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Tom Kelly stated that S&P had awarded EBCE a credit rating of A, which would bring in investors, but urged EBCE to not contract with investors who are heavily invested in fossil fuels and have not performed well in other areas. Tom Kelly also urged EBCE to not be pressured to put some of its budget surplus into reserve accounts and to use the funds to improve the quality of Bright Choice and reduce rates.

Jessica Tovar, East Bay Clean Power Alliance, spoke regarding the Community Innovation Grants that award funding to nonprofits in EBCE's territory to generate more community innovation. Jessica Tovar emphasized that the Innovation Grants program was intended to be an annual program offered by EBCE and should have its own line item within the budget.

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

3. Closed Session

a) Conference with Labor Negotiations pursuant to Government Code 54957.6 (Labor negotiators: Dianne Martinez, Board Chair; Corina Lopez, Executive Committee Chair) (Unrepresented employees)

4. Report Out of Closed Session

No reportable actions were taken in closed session.

Chair Lopez indicated that the closed session had gone longer than anticipated, leading to the Executive Committee no longer having a quorum and as a consequence the Committee would not hear Item 5, the FY 2022/2023 Draft Budget Review, and would adjourn the meeting.

5. FY 2022/2023 Draft Budget Review

Recommendation: Review the current draft of the FY 2022/2023 Budget (Informational)

6. Committee Member and Staff Announcements including requests to place items on future Committee Agendas

7. Adjourned at 2:45pm to Friday, May 27, 2022, at Noon.



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Member Arriola was present during closed session.

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Tom Kelly stated that EBCE guaranteed a discount from PG&E when it was founded, but currently EBCE's generation rates are 3.5% higher than PG&E. Tom Kelly noted that PG&E charges its bundled customers a PCIA charge, which is higher than the one charged to EBCE customers, and EBCE staff has combined generation and PCIA to indicate that the product has been discounted by 1%, but calculating the cost to EBCE

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customers based on how that formula was developed reveals that Bright Choice customers are paying millions of dollars more than they should. Tom Kelly requested the BOD require staff to formulate an analysis on rates and emissions intensity compared to the other CCAs in Northern California.

REGULAR AGENDA

3. Closed Session

a) Conference with Labor Negotiations pursuant to Government Code 54957.6 (Labor negotiators: Dianne Martinez, Board Chair; Corina Lopez, Executive Committee Chair) (Unrepresented employees)

4. General Counsel Report Out of Closed Session

Counsel Khalsa reported that direction was given to labor negotiators.

5. Committee Member and Staff Announcements including requests to place items on future Committee Agendas

There were no announcements or future agenda requests.

6. Adjourned at 1:25pm to Friday, May 27, 2022 at Noon



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Vaughn urged EBCE to look at how micro-grids can be established in the district and how that would affect the agency. Vaughn noted there is a lot of interest in for-home batteries; however, it is a good idea to put lithium-ion short-term batteries into houses at this stage, because long-term batteries that can hold 24-38 hours will be available in the near future.

Blair Beekman thanked EBCE for trying to keep rates low in the upcoming year, and for trying to address upcoming inflation issues and setting a good example. With respect to Vaughn's comments regarding long-term batteries, Blair Beekman spoke of the need to consider worker rights for people who mine the minerals used in those batteries.

REGULAR AGENDA

3. Approval of Minutes from March 25, 2022 and April 15, 2022 as presented:

Member Kalb motioned to approve the minutes of March 25, 2021 and April 15, 2022 as presented. Director Arriola seconded the motion, which passed 4/0. Excused: Director Mei.

4. Voluntary Allocation Market Offer (VAMO)

Recommendation: Allocation of renewable generation from PG&E as part of the PCIA proceeding

The Committee discussed:

- Reasons to not take as much as possible eligible renewables long-term and short-term.
- The result of taking full allocation amount offered in the long-term contract category.

There were no speakers for public comment.

Member Mei joined the meeting at 12:35 pm.

5. Committee Member and Staff Announcements including requests to place items on future Committee Agendas

CEO Chaset indicated that the budget would be the primary item brought forward to final consideration and approval at the next BOD meeting.

CEO Chaset reported Robert Rivas from Hollister had been elected as the new Assembly Speaker on May 28th.

6. Adjourned at 12:39pm to Friday, June 24, 2022 at noon.