

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE GOLETA WEST SANITARY DISTRICT
UCSB CAMPUS, PARKING LOT 32, SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA
April 19, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER

President Geyer called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Craig Geyer
Dave Bearman, M.D. (arrived 7:01 P.M.)
Dr. David C. Lewis
Larry D. Meyer (arrived 7:05 P.M..)
Eva Turenchalk

STAFF PRESENT

Diane P. Powers, Secretary; Mr. Mark Nation, General Manager/Superintendent; Mr. Steven A. Amerikaner; General Counsel

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. George W. Emerson and Mr. John R. Fox, Directors, Goleta Sanitary District; Mr. Jim Youngson and Mr. Brian Robinson, Terrain Consulting

APPROVE THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

There was no change to the order of the agenda.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input presented at this time.

MINUTES

(11-04-20)

Upon a motion by Director Lewis, seconded by Director Turenchalk the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting of April 5, 2011 as written.

ACTION ITEMS

1) Review of Proposed LAFCO Budget and Fee Schedule: Consider providing comments to the Commission

President Geyer recommended that LAFCO hire an outside consultant to prepare a fee study to address LAFCO's processing fees and that the fee schedule for the next fiscal year be placed on hold until said study has been completed. President Geyer also proposed that the LAFCO Executive Officer only be paid for the number of months that the Commission actually meets and that the remaining months are paid for directly from fees. Mr. Amerikaner replied that LAFCO does not have the authority to change how the Executive Officer is paid. He currently has a four-year contract with LAFCO. Director Meyer wondered why LAFCO has not gone out to bid for the position of Executive Officer. Mr. Amerikaner responded that this issue be revisited one-year prior to the expiration date of the Executive Officer's contract.

(11-04-21)

Upon a motion by President Geyer, seconded by Director Bearman the Board unanimously approved to direct Counsel to prepare a letter for signature by the Board President that requests LAFCO to conduct a fee study addressing the costs of handling applications.

2) Discussion of changing official name of the District – Workshop

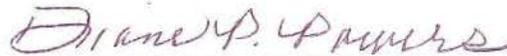
Mr. Jim Youngson distributed a Workshop Agenda to the Board and staff. He informed the Board that they must do their due diligence with regards to changing the name of the District and to determine if that is what they genuinely want. Mr. Youngson discussed the importance of examining the pros and cons and that the Board can terminate the process at any time. Director Bearman suggested a slogan also be taken into account that conveys to the public that the District is an environmental agency. President Geyer observed that the District must change its name to reduce public confusion (GWSD, GSD, GWD) by removing the word "Goleta". Mr. Robinson replied that Terrain Consulting will return to the Board with a list of possible names and a tag line. Director Turenchalk remarked that she cannot make a decision without first seeing a list of names. She suggested that if the Board wishes to move ahead with a name change to just do it and not make it a slow transition. Director Meyer acknowledged that it is important for people to recognize what Sanitary District they are in to eliminate any confusion. Director Bearman suggested doing an event in conjunction with next year's Earth Day celebrations. Mr. George Emerson alerted the Board to California Forward and that it is imperative they know what is going on in Sacramento.

COMMUNICATIONS

The communications were noted as received.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Geyer adjourned the meeting at 8:06 P.M.



Diane P. Powers, Secretary

APPROVED



Craig Geyer, President