

MINUTES of Executive Committee (EC) Meeting
Water Resources Association of Yolo County
March 2, 2010, 12:30 – 1:30 pm

Present: Bill Marble, Kurt Balasek, Jacques DeBra, Tim O’Halloran, Donna Gentile

Absent: Sid England

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Bill Marble at 12:30 pm.
2. **Approve Agenda and Adding Items to the Posted Agenda:** Agenda approved as presented.
3. **Public Comment:** No public comment.
4. **Update on Water Legislation & Other Related Issues** (Tim O’Halloran)

5. Update on Yolo County Water Committee

The EC indicated that there was no additional news or information to report. Dirk will be invited to present at the March 15th WRA Board meeting

6. Technical Committee Update (Jacques De Bra)

Jacques informed the EC of the TC activities to date. In January and February the TC received updates on the eight IRWMP Integrated Actions/Projects. On March 4th a status update on the IRWMP Foundational Actions will be discussed. In April the TC will discuss, evaluate, and consolidate the updated information received in preparation for May budget recommendations for 2010-11 project funds. Jacques and Tim have discussed the possibility of recommending all or part of the 2010-11 project funds budget to support foundational action work. Jacques reported on a recent Proposition 84 Westside MOU group meeting. Proposition 84 cost share percentages are expected to be: 50% for planning grants and 25% for implementation grants. Draft grant guidelines are scheduled to be released this month for public comment.

7. WRA Budget

- a) *Review of current status of 2009-10 budget and projected fiscal year end:* Donna provided a comparison spreadsheet of the adopted 09-10 budget, actuals to-date and projected year end income and expenses for 6/30/10. She will meet with the auditor to clarify the net equity figure to use for the start of this fiscal year (as of 6/30/09). She will revise this spreadsheet with figures that are more accurate after review with the auditor.
- b) *Discuss funding allocations for resource lobbyist and YFCWCDC legal expenses for WRA activities:* This will be postponed for discussion until Donna verifies a more accurate amount of what excess revenue is expected to be available as of 6/30/10. Also, the EC prefers that all committee members are present to discuss this item.
- c) *Timeline for 2010-11 budget review and adoption process:* In May, a draft proposed budget will be presented to the Board for review and comment. The Board will adopted a final 2010-11 budget in June. The EC also discussed the potential of new agencies joining the WRA and whether any agencies might have difficulty paying dues given the current economic environment.

8. WRA Board meeting: March 15, 2010, 3-5 pm, Woodland Community & Senior Center

The EC reviewed a draft agenda for 3/15. Dirk Brazil, Yolo County and Karla Nemeth, Natural Resources Agency will be asked to give presentations on the Yolo County Water Committee progress and a Bay Delta Conservation Plan Update respectively. Donna will confirm their availability and finalize the agenda with Bill’s assistance.

The EC discussed the idea of holding an informational meeting on the water bond legislation slated for the November ballot. The format suggested was a pros and cons panel discussion. Potential speakers discussed were Rita Sudman, Water Education Foundation; Peter Moyle, UC Davis; Jeff Mount, UC Davis; and Richard Howit,

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UC Davis. The WRA Board will be asked whether this a topic of interest for a future Board meeting on March 15th.

9. Administrative Items:

- a) *Review February 2010 financials* – The financials were reviewed by the EC.
- b) *February 9, 2010 EC meeting minutes* were approved.
- c) *Action Requested:* The EC agreed that the purchase of a regular laptop would be more cost effective and functional rather than a “mini” netbook. Donna will research equipment costs and report back to the EC. She also mentioned that it would be prudent to update the Microsoft Office suite of software to MS Office Professional 2007. Current software being used is MS Office Professional 2003.
- d) *Payments to approve* - All payments were approved.

10. Other Updates & Future Executive Committee Agenda Items - None discussed.

11. Next EC Meeting Date: April 6, 2010, 12:30 to 1:30 pm in the Woodland Community Center.

12. Adjourned at 1:50 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Donna L. Gentile

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