



EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES - September 2, 2020

Location: Via Zoom

- Call to Order:** 6:02 PM
- Members Present:** President Lindsey Horvath, Vice President Mark Waronek, Ali Sajjad Taj Secretary/Treasurer, Budget & Audit Chair Nancy Tragarz, By Laws Committee Chair Liz Reilly, Director-At-Large Ana Maria Quintana, Resolutions Committee Dr. Julian Gold, Immediate Past President Sandra Armenta, Director-At-Large Deborah Klein Lopez, Legislative Committee Chair Stacey Armato, Ambassador Committee Blanca Pacheco, Marketing Committee Jose Gonzalez, Legal & Contracts Committee Dana Reed, James Bozajian Special Events Committee, Director-At-Large Jennifer Perez
- Absent:** Associate Members Co-Chair Mike Davitt, Director-At-Large Jeff Wood, Associate Members Co-Chair Frank Zerunyan, Membership Committee Brenda Olmos
- Others Present:** Executive Director Marcel Rodarte, Michael Vuong, Mayra Bonilla, Alejandra Hernandez, and John Leonard

Quorum: YES

Meeting Proceedings

- The meeting minutes of August 2020 were presented by Ali Taj. Jennifer Perez motioned to approve, seconded by Liz Reilly. No abstentions, motion approved.
- September disbursements were presented by Ali Taj for approval. Mark Waronek motioned to approve, seconded by Stacey Armato. No abstentions, motion approved.
- Ali Taj presented July Financial Report for approval. Liz Reilly motioned to approve, seconded by Mark Waronek No abstentions, motion approved.

Reports

President's Report - President Lindsey Horvath

- President Horvath provided a reminder for the upcoming Virtual Fall Educational Summit, she stated all sessions will be recorded and available on YouTube.
- President Horvath provided an update from the second Public Safety Working Group (PSWG) meeting featuring guest speaker Inglewood Mayor James T. Butts. He provided insight to discussion surrounding law enforcement given his background in public safety and local government. President Horvath encouraged members to participate in the PSWG survey.



- President Horvath requested members' input on pending issues that the Association could provide assistance with or elevate discussion in their respective cities.
 - Ana Maria Quintana indicated issues with the county-operated Covid-19 testing site in the City of Bell, she claimed the center is always empty and no appointments are listed as available. Marcel indicated staff would contact Los Angeles Department of Health (DPH) for an explanation. The correspondence John Leonard received from Los Angeles County leaders regarding the closure of the testing site at Cedars-Sinai was due to limited funding. The City of West Hollywood was told the county preferred individual health care providers deliver testing, so county funding could be focused on residents without healthcare coverage.
- President Horvath encouraged members to participate in the upcoming virtual Board of Directors Meeting featuring guest speaker LA Fire Chief Osby. Members will receive updates regarding the fires across California and response from the fire department.

Executive Director's Report - Marcel Rodarte

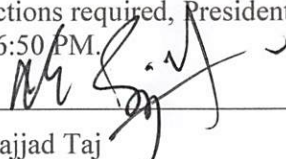
- Executive Director Marcel Rodarte indicated he performed a search for an accounting firm to conduct the annual audit. The current firm LSL offered a quote for \$8,000 for the audit, he recommended the Association stay continue to use LSL. Dana Reed recommended the Budget & Audit Committee be invited to meet with the firm prior to the audit.

Legislative Committee Report - Stacey Armato

- Stacey Armato provided updates from the legislative committee, she thanked staff for providing letters to the author's offices as positions were rendered. Positions were determined for the following bills SB 899 - opposed, SB 995 - watch, SB 902 - oppose, SB 1299 - support, SB 1385 - support if amended, AB 1908 - support, AB 2345 - watch. Stacey stated the committee's goal is to partner with the legislature as bills are being drafted, so cities' concerns and amendments may be included. At the next legislative meeting, the committee will consider Prop 15, Prop 19, Measure J, Prop 21, and Prop 20 she encouraged participation. Sandra Armenta added many housing bills did not get through the legislature because of the August 31st deadline.
- President Horvath suggested hosting a joint event with the Los Angeles Division of the League of California cities inviting the Los Angeles County District Attorney candidates for a forum. Marcel Rodarte will contact the League to plan logistics and check candidates' availability.
- Dana Reed suggested moving next month's Executive Board Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 6pm to 5pm. President Horvath agreed, no abstentions from members, the meeting was rescheduled to 5pm.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to conduct, or actions required, President Lindsey P. Horvath adjourned the September 2020 Executive Board Meeting at 6:50 PM.

Recorded by: Alejandra Hernandez
Administrative Specialist



Ali Sajjad Taj
Secretary/Treasurer