



EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES November 3, 2021

Location: The Palm

267 N Canon Dr. Beverly Hills, CA 90210

Call to Order: 6:43 PM

Members Present: President Mark Waronek, Secretary/Treasurer Jeff Wood, Legislative Committee Co-Chair Jennifer Perez, Selection Committee Sandra Armenta, Resolutions Committee Dr. Julian Gold, Legislative Committee Co-Chair Stacey Armato, Budget and Audit Committee Dana Reed (via zoom), Public Safety Committee Brenda Olmos, Director-at-Large Lori Woods, Legal Contract Committee Blanca Pacheco, Marketing Committee Jose Gonzalez, Ambassador Committee Ray Hamada, Associate Members Co-Chair Frank Zerunyan, Vice President Ali Sajjad Taj, Membership Committee Nancy Tragarz (via zoom)

Absent: By-Laws Committee Yesenia De La Rosa, Immediate Past President Lindsey Horvath, City Managers Chair Ryan Smoot, Special Events Committee James Bozajian, Associate Members Co-Chair Mike Davitt, Director-at-Large Rex Richardson, Director-at-Large Margret Finlay, Director-at-Large Cedric Hicks

Others Present: Marcel Rodarte, Jorge Morales, Mayra Bonilla,

Quorum: YES

Meeting Proceedings

- Secretary/Treasurer Jeff Wood presented the November disbursements, Stacey Armato motioned for approval, Jennifer Perez seconded. No abstentions. Motion passed unanimously.
- Secretary/Treasurer Jeff Wood presented the October meeting minutes. Minutes need correction. Jorge Morales was not present at the October Executive Board Meeting. Stacey Armato motioned for approval with corrections, Jennifer Perez seconded. No abstentions. Motion passed unanimously.

Reports

President's Report - *President Mark Waronek*

- President Waronek announced that Dana Reed would be moved at a board member At-Large and Gustavo Camacho would come back on the board as the Budget & Audit Chair.
- President Waronek thanked members who participated in the 5th Annual City Managers Summit and invited members to participate in upcoming events, including the December All Cities Holiday mixer and the January Sacramento Legislative Tour.



- President Waronek also led a discussion regarding the succession planning for the next couple of years. He is suggesting the slate of officers be moved due to current Vice President Ali Sajjad Taj, being in line to be President of the California League of Cities. His recommendation is for current Secretary/Treasurer, Jeff Wood, become President for the 22/23 term, and have Stacey Armato move into the Secretary/Treasurer position. Stacey Armato would then also be moved up to the President position for the 23/24 term and Ali Sajjad Taj would be moved for potential Presidency until the 24/25 term. Ali requested to remain the Vice President for the remaining terms until the 24/25 term. Dana Reed motioned to present this next slate to the entire membership, Dr. Julian Gold seconded. No abstentions. Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Director's Report - *Marcel Rodarte*

- ED Rodarte gave an update on the Blue Ribbon Commission on Homelessness. He asked mentioned they have 6 months from the time they began, to present a report with expected changes.
- ED Rodarte invited members to participate in the next BOD meeting being held in partnership with ASU.

Legislative Committee Report - *Co-Chairs Jennifer Perez and Stacey Armato*

- Co-Chair's Armato and Perez gave an update on the legislative committee. They asked members to complete a survey with the suggested legislative priorities for the year to be presented during SLOT
- Jorge Morales gave an update on the restrictions we may face while requesting meetings with legislators due to remodeling done at the Capito and not enough space to hold meetings. He mentioned we may focus on having panel discussions rather than meetings due to the space limitations.
- Jorge Morales also encouraged members to download and use SB9 opposition marketing to continue to fight towards local control in housing. He mentioned that AG Bonta launched the creation of a Housing strike force which is an attach on local control. He asked members to reach out to their legislators to ask for an explanation.

Public Safety Committee Report – *Brenda Olmos*

- Committee Chair Olmos gave an update about today's committee meeting. She mentioned the committee would draft a new letter to LASD Sheriff regarding concerns about homelessness cleanup and his decision to not enforce the Covid-19 vaccine mandate on officers.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to conduct, or actions required, President Mark Waronek adjourned the November 2021 Executive Board Meeting at 8:17PM.

Recorded by: Mayra Bonilla
Operations Manager

Jeff Wood
Secretary/Treasurer