**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES –March 5, 2025**

*Location:* *Kotosh 2408 Lomita Blvd, Lomita, CA 90717*

**Call to Order:** 6:43 PM

**Members Present:** President Jennifer Perez, Vice President Brenda Olmos, Secretary/ Treasurer Dr. John Erickson, Ambassador Committee Gustavo Camacho, Associate Member Committee Chair Mark Waronek, Budget and Audit Committee Oralia Rebollo, Bylaws Committee Jeff Wood, Director-at-Large Cedric Hicks, Legal & Contracts Sal Mendez (via Zoom), Legislative Committee Chair Chris Barajas (via Zoom), Marketing Committee Chair Ed Reece via Zoom), Membership Committee Victor Sanchez, Resolutions Committee James Bozajian (via Zoom), and Special Events Committee Yesenia De La Rosa (via Zoom).

**Absent:** Immediate Past President-Emeritus Dr. Julian Gold, City Managers/Administrators Committee Jesus Gomez, and Selection Committee Margret Finlay.

**Others Present:** Marcel Rodarte, Mayra Bonilla (via Zoom), Jorge Morales, and Frank Rodarte.

**Quorum: Yes**

**Meeting Proceedings**

* + **Secretary/ Treasurer Dr. John Erickson presented the March disbursements. Bylaws Committee Jeff Wood motioned to approve, seconded by Associate Member Committee Chair Mark Waronek.**
  + **Secretary/ Treasurer Dr. John Erickson presented the February meeting minutes. Vice President Brenda Olmos motioned to approve, seconded by** **Bylaws Committee Jeff Wood.**

**Reports**

**President’s Report – President Jennifer Perez**

* President Jennifer Perez welcomed everyone to the March Executive Board Meeting and thanked the City of Lomita for hosting.
* President Perez encouraged the Executive Board (EB) to register for AMS and book their rooms before they sell out.
* President Perez mentioned that she and the City of Norwalk are beginning to plan the April Board of Directors meeting.

**Executive Director’s Report - Marcel Rodarte**

* Executive Director Marcel Rodarte informed the EB that there are over 300 registrants for AMS.
* Executive Director Rodarte introduced the artwork for the CCCA Annual Golf Tournament.
* **Accounts Receivable (AR) Review:**
  + Director Rodarte provided an update on AR.

**Legislative Committee Report – Legislative Consultant Jorge Morales**

* Executive Director Rodarte reported that he and Jorge Morales met with the District Attorney, who will be speaking at AMS.
* Legislative Consultant Jorge Morales provided a brief summary of the recent Legislative Committee meeting and highlighted the bills on which positions were taken.
* Executive Director Rodarte informed the EB that he had a meeting with the Executive Committee of CCJCC and made a significant effort to secure a seat on the committee.

**New Business**

**Bylaws Review**

* President Perez suggested removing the Public Safety Committee since it is now part of the Legislative Committee.
* Executive Director Rodarte proposed changing the language of Article 4, Section 3. The EB agreed on the following wording:  
  *“No single dues increase shall exceed the annual CPI or an amount approved by the Executive Board.”*

**Proposed City Membership Dues Increase**

* Executive Director Rodarte proposed increasing Associate Member dues by 10% to sustain the organization.
* Associate Member Committee Chair Mark Waronek made a motion to approve, seconded by Budget and Audit Committee Member Oralia Rebollo.

**New AMS Awards (Local Elected Official, Fire, Law Enforcement Officer, City Manager, etc.)**

* President Perez and Executive Director Rodarte introduced an idea to present new awards at AMS, including:
  + First Responder
  + Local Elected Official
  + City Manager

**2025 Legislative Platform Ratification (Updated)**

* The EB discussed revising the second paragraph of the **Energy/Utility** section to read:  
  *“CCCA supports efforts to ensure investor-owned utilities responsibly maintain and upgrade their infrastructure. This includes promoting accountability for ongoing maintenance, necessary improvements, and addressing the impacts of public safety power shutoffs or any damage related to their infrastructure, without placing the financial burden on ratepayers.”*

**ALADS Awards Banquet Sponsorship**

* Executive Director Rodarte announced the ALADS Awards Banquet on June 21 and opened the discussion for a table sponsorship.
* Secretary/Treasurer Dr. John Erickson motioned for a silver sponsorship, seconded by Associate Member Committee Chair Mark Waronek.

**ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to conduct, or actions required Meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.**

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Recorded by: Frank Rodarte Dr. John Erickson

Administrative Specialist Secretary/Treasurer