

JPA Board Meeting Minutes
Kern Groundwater Authority
Wednesday, May 23, 2018

JPA DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES PRESENT

Raul Barraza Jr, Arvin Community Services District
Kevin Pascoe, Arvin-Edison WSD
John Gaugel, Cawelo WD
Michael James, City of Shafter
Royce Fast & Marty Milobar, KCWA
Andrew Pandol, Kern-Tulare WD
Bill Taube, Kern Water Bank Authority
Kevin Andrew, North Kern Water Storage District
Jason Selvidge & Gary Unruh, Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD
Rick Wegis, Semitropic WSD
Mark Franz, Shafter-Wasco ID
Ryan Fachin, Tejon-Castaic WD
Gary Morris & Harry Starkey, West Kern WD
Rob Goff, Westside District Water Authority
Dennis Mullins & Michael Blaine, Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa WSD

JPA DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES ABSENT

Supervisor David Couch, County of Kern
Jim Regan, SSJMUD

OTHERS PRESENT

Alan Peake, Arvin Community Services District
Jeevan Muhar, Arvin-Edison WSD
Steve Collup, Arvin-Edison WSD
Tim Ashlock, Buena Vista WSD
Jeff Johnson, Chevron
Dave Ansolabehere, Cawelo WD
Larry Rodriguez, GEI Consultants
Max Bricker, Henry Miller WD
Dick Diamond, North Kern WSD
Alan Christensen, Kern County Administration Office
Florn Core, Kern County Administration Office
Gene Lundquist, ID4
Mark Mulkay, Kern Delta WD
Rich Tillema, Kern Delta WD
Kevin Antongiovanni, Kern Delta WD
Costas Cecero, Kern-Tulare WD
Joe Hughes, Klein Law
Robert Kuhs, Kuhs Parker Law
Robert Hartsock, McMurtrey, Hartsock & Worth

Dick Diamond, NKWSD
Marinelle Duarosan, NKWSD
Valerie Kincaid, O’Laughlin, Paris, LLP
Rebecca Gomez, Provost & Pritchard
Terry Erlewine, Provost & Pritchard
Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard
Patty Poire, Kern Groundwater Authority
Lori Honea, Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD
Dana Munn, Shafter-Wasco ID
Roland Gross, SSJMUD
Greg Hammett, Westside District Water Authority
Sunny Kapoor, West Kern WD
Wendy Adams-Rosenburger, West Kern WD
Sheridan Nicholas, Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa WSD
Tim Gobler, Wonderful Orchards
Ernest Conant, Young Wooldridge
Scott Kuney, Young Wooldridge
Devon Yurosek, Yurosek Farming
Don Wright
Craig Lynch, Lynch & Lynch, LLP
Jim Beck, Hallmark Group
Ron Kluge, McIntosh & Associates

1. **Call to Order** – Director Mullins called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m. after it was confirmed there was a quorum. The Board met the threshold for a quorum under the JPA and operated under it.
2. **Public Comments** – None
3. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. April 25, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Ms. Poire made a recommendation to correct the April 25th, 2018 meeting minutes prior to the motion being made. A motion was made by Director Taube and seconded by Director Fast to approve the April 25, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes with recommended corrections. The motion was unanimously carried.
4. **Treasurer’s Report**
 - a. **Accounts Payable/Receivable**– Mrs. Duarosan updated the board regarding the status of the General Administration Account in preparation for the 2017 Audit. Planning Manager, Ms. Poire is involved with coding and allocating expenses to the appropriate budgets. As a result of this recoding process, they are instituting a new layer to the review process for coding and allocating invoices.
 - b. Mrs. Duarosan presented the Treasurer’s Report Memo for the period from April 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018. Exhibit A of the Treasurer’s Report showed

the beginning cash balance of \$30,308.28. Deposits received were in the amount of \$95,908.97. Outstanding payables total \$127,819.00, however the amount being requested for payment approval is \$97,906.49. The difference of \$29,912.97 is not requested for payment authorization at this time due to pending verification of charges. After disbursement of expenses totaling \$51,094.77, the cash balance at the end of April was \$75,122.48 and a net asset balance of \$405,474.39. An action was requested to approve the Treasurer's report for the month of April and approve payables in the amount of \$97,906.49. Exhibit B reflects the status of the cash receipts subsequent to April 30th to May 17th. Exhibit C is the detail of the aged accounts payable. Exhibit D is a listing of all the accounts payable detail, \$97,906.49 needing approval today. Exhibit E is the unaudited financial statement. A motion to approve treasurer's report and payables was made by Director Andrew and seconded by Director Taube. The motion was unanimously carried.

5. **Basin Coordinator/Planning Manager Report**

- a. **Groundwater Modeling & Woodard & Curran Peer Review Cost Share Approval of revised Participation Percentages- Exceeded 2% adjustments** – Ms. Poire presented new percentages that include adjustments for areas in several districts. A motion was made to approve both final percentages for cost sharing of both cost share agreements with a true-up at the end of the process by Director Morris and seconded by director Taube. Motion was unanimously carried.
- b. **Approval of P&P Proposal for Grant Administration for Prop 1 Grant** – Ms. Poire presented Provost & Pritchard's Proposal for Grant Administration for consulting services for Prop 1 Grant. A motion was made to accept Provost & Pritchard's proposal by Director Goff and seconded by Director Gaugel. The motion was unanimously carried.
- c. **Approval of P&P Proposal for Prop 1 – Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 Grant (ITRC & Remote Sensing)** – Ms. Poire presented Provost & Pritchard for consulting services to handle the grant management for Water Quality Prop 1 Grant. The first deadline to request funds is June 30, 2018. A motion was made to accept Provost & Pritchard's proposal by Director Andres and seconded by Director Taube. The motion was unanimously carried.
- d. **Presentation and Approval of Communication and Engagement Plan** – Ms. Poire introduced the Communication and Engagement Plan as a living, working document. Ms. Trilby Barton elaborated on the details regarding the Communication and Engagement Plan and discussed the phases of the plan and chapters of the document. Mr. Jeff Johnson expressed an interest to coordinate with the committee on behalf of the stakeholders. A motion was made to accept and approve the communication and engagement plan and to post the plan to the KGA website by Director Andrews and seconded by Director Barraza. The motion was unanimously carried. Ms. Poire commented on the success of the stake holders survey that were handed out at the outreach events last month and how well they were received. Ms. Barton reported on the amount of

responses from the stake holder surveys and went over some of the statistics from the responses.

- e. **Approval to send out letter – Development of Coordination Agreement** – Mr. Erlewine presented a draft letter to the GSAs in the Tule Subbasin just north of the KGA to initiate discussions about impacts to the KGA’s GSP and the ability to reach sustainability. Comments were made that the letter should also identify concerns with the adverse effects of subsidence in the Tule Subbasin on Friant Kern Canal capacity for deliveries to the Kern Subbasin. The motion was made by Director Fast to approve sending the letter with changes reflecting subsidence impacts, seconded by Director Taube and was unanimously carried.
 - f. **SAA#4 – Need to organize Activity Agreement Management Committee** – Mr. Erlewine discussed the need for a management committee and representatives from all districts that are participating in the SAA#4. It is likely that there will be frequent meetings held for the management committee in the future to consider task orders and invoicing needs.
 - g. **Presentation of SGMA Litigation Expense Sharing Pool under ACWA JPIA** – Mr. Conant presented Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) concept of SGMA Litigation Expense Sharing Pool. There was an extended discussion on the topic that considered the potential benefits from such a Pool. KGA will need to consider their interest in participating in this pool. KGA may need to seek additional legal assistance from council regarding participation.
 - h. **Policy Coordination Meeting Update** – Mr. Erlewine reported that the Policy Coordination Committee met last week (week of May 14th). The regularly scheduled meeting includes representatives from KGA and the Kern River GSA, Buena Vista and Henry Miller GSA. The primary discussion was the KGA legal issues memo and follow-up actions.
 - i. **Accomplishments** – Mr. Erlewine reported there was a good turnout at the workshops and outreach events. There were many water district representatives present.
 - j. **Forward Work Plan** – Mr. Erlewine reported that good progress is being made and budgets are on track. He specifically noted that the Provost & Pritchard budget has been higher than the monthly planned budget for two months (after hiring the Planning Manager). He plans on closely monitoring those expenses but noted that the budget could need to be increased later in the year.
6. **New Business** – No new business to report.
 7. **Correspondence** – No correspondence to report.
 8. **Attorney(s) Report** – Ms. Kincaid stated that work will continue with Kern River GSA on getting the Prop 1 cost sharing agreements in place.
 9. **Closed Session Action** – Closed session from 9:55am to 10:30am.

10. **Closed Session Action** – No action.

11. **Adjournment** – 10:35am