

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Staff Report – Item 5

TO: Valley Clean Energy Alliance Board of Directors
FROM: Alisa Lembke, VCEA Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst
SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes from January 23, 2019 Board Meeting
DATE: March 14, 2019

RECOMMENDATION

Receive, review and approve the attached draft Minutes from the January 23, 2019 Board meeting.



**MINUTES OF THE VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2019**

The Board of Directors of the Valley Clean Energy Alliance duly noticed their meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chambers located at 625 Court Street, Room 206, Woodland, California 95695. Chairperson Tom Stallard established that there was a quorum present and began the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

Board Members Present: Tom Stallard, Gary Sandy, Lucas Frerichs, Angel Barajas, Don Saylor, Dan Carson

Members Absent:

Approval of Agenda Director Frerichs made a motion to approve the January 23, 2019 Board meeting Agenda, seconded by Director Barajas. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment Chairperson Stallard opened the floor for public comment. Yvonne Hunter, representing Cool Davis and working with the City of Davis, invited all to the Home Heating and Cooling Workshop this Sunday, January 27th from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. at the Davis Senior Center. She provided an invitation to everyone present. There being no other public comments, the floor was closed.

CLOSED SESSION: The Board adjourned their meeting to go into closed session at 5:39 p.m. The Board returned to their regular Agenda at 6:13 p.m. Chairperson Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Stallard reported that the Board voted to participate in the Pacific Gas & Electric bankruptcy litigation and to explore all options. Chairperson Stallard then moved on to the Consent Agenda.

Approval of Consent Agenda Director Saylor made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Director Sandy. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes from December 13, 2018 Board Meeting Director Saylor made a motion to approve the December 13, 2018 meeting minutes, seconded by Director Sandy. Motion passed unanimously.

Receive 2019 Long Range Calendar Director Saylor made a motion to receive the 2019 Long Range calendar, seconded by Director Sandy. Motion passed unanimously.



Receive Financial Update – November 30, 20/18 (unaudited) financial statements	Director Saylor made a motion to receive the financial update – November 30, 2018 (unaudited) financial statements (with comparative year to date information) and Actual vs. Budget year to date ending November 30, 2018, seconded by Director Sandy. Motion passed unanimously.
Receive Regulatory Update	Director Saylor made a motion to receive the regulatory monitoring report dated January 16, 2019 prepared by Keyes & Fox, seconded by Director Sandy. Motion passed unanimously.
Receive Customer Enrollment Update and Monthly Call Center Report	Director Saylor made a motion to receive the Customer Enrollment update as of January 14, 2019 and Monthly Call Center Report as of January 9, 2019, seconded by Director Sandy. Motion passed unanimously.
Contract Extensions of Energy Services Consultants: LEAN Energy and Donald Dame	Director Saylor made a motion to approve contract extensions of Energy Service Consultants LEAN Energy and Donald Dame to expire on June 30, 2019, seconded by Director Sandy. Motion passed unanimously.
Contract Amendment to Contract with Keyes & Fox, Regulatory Counsel / Resolution 2019-001	Director Saylor made a motion to approve a resolution titled “A Resolution of the Valley Clean Energy Alliance approving Amendment One (1) to the Keyes & Fox LLP contract and authorizing the VCEA Interim General Manager to execute the Agreement under the terms set forth herein”, seconded by Director Sandy. Motion passed unanimously by the following vote: AYES: Stallard, Sandy, Saylor, Barajas, Frerichs, Carson NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None
Retain Pacific Policy Group for	Director Saylor made a motion to approve the proposal to retain Pacific Policy Group for lobbying services for Valley Clean Energy for a \$5,000



Lobbying Services	per month retainer for a one-year term for an amount not to exceed \$60,000, seconded by Director Sandy. Motion passed unanimously.
Updates to Valley Clean Energy Employee Handbook Update	Director Saylor made a motion to approve updates to the Valley Clean Energy Employee Handbook, seconded by Director Sandy. Motion passed unanimously.
Procurement Authority / Resolution 2019-002	<p>Interim General Manager Mitch Sears provided background of this item. He reminded the Board that they adopted a Procurement Guide in January 2018 – this will be a yearly item. VCE Staff Gary Lawson provided a brief background, purpose and requested action regarding the Procurement Guide update.</p> <p>Mr. Lawson reviewed with those present the recommendations to the Board to approve 1) the revised Procurement Guide; 2) specific directives and delegations to SMUD for procuring all of VCE’s power portfolio for calendar 2020, and portions of the power portfolio for 2021 and 2022; 3) calendar 2019 Power Budget of \$41,.49 million with an additional 5% contingency; and 4) continuing the portfolio mix of 42% renewable and 33% clean large hydro into 2019.</p> <p>Director Carson made a motion to approve the recommendations as stated in the Resolution, seconded by Director Frerichs. Chairperson Stallard opened the floor for discussion and questions. Several questions were asked and discussed, such as delegation authority, renewable content and Senate Bill 100, and short- and long-term renewables.</p> <p>To recap, Director Carson made a motion to approve a resolution titled “A Resolution of the Valley Clean Energy Alliance adopting a revised Procurement Guide and delegating procurement authority to VCEA Staff and SMUD for energy procurement for calendar years 2020, 2021 and 2022”, seconded by Director Frerichs. Motion passed unanimously by the following vote:</p> <p>AYES: Stallard, Sandy, Saylor, Barajas, Frerichs, Carson NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None</p>
Customer Outreach and	Mr. Sears introduced this item. VCE Staff Jim Parks, Director of Customer Care and Marketing, provided a brief history and update on VCE



Marketing Update (Informational)	customer outreach and marketing efforts. A question and discussion period occurred.
Introduction of Pacific Policy Group	Chairperson Stallard announced that before going on to Item 16 – Update on California Public Utilities Commission’s Decision..., he introduced two principals from Pacific Policy Group (lobbying services) of which the Board approved entering into a contract with them, were present. Mr. Mark Fenstermaker and Mr. Jacob Moss introduced themselves to the Board and those present.
Update regarding CPUC Decision on ERRA, including PCIA (Informational)	<p>Mr. Sears provided an update on the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), Energy Resource Recovery Account (ERRA) and Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA). He reviewed the background on these issues and reminded those present that Commission Guzman-Aceves came out with an Alternate Proposed Decision on ERRA which includes brown power, so the CPUC has two proposals to address.</p> <p>Chairperson Stallard opened the floor for comments and questions. Chairperson Stallard commented that he is concerned about the rates. Mr. Sears responded that outreach to our customers will be very important and is of high importance. No further comments or questions from the Board or the public.</p>
Update on Potential PG&E Bankruptcy (Informational)	<p>Mr. Sears provided an update on the potential PG&E bankruptcy filing, gave a brief background, and reviewed VCE and Community Choice Aggregates (CCAs) related topics.</p> <p>Chairperson Stallard asked if the Board had any questions. No questions only a few comments were made regarding a campaign to have customers “opt up” and trying to bring in NEM customers sooner than later as they have demonstrated interest in VCE’s efforts.</p>
Board Member and Staff Announcements	<p>Mr. Sears informed those present that CalCCA have added two directors to their legislative/regulatory staff: Sean MacNeil and Nick Pappas.</p> <p>Mr. Sears announced that VCE will be hosting a booth at the Capay Valley Almond Festival, scheduled for Sunday, February 24th and are looking for volunteers.</p> <p>Mr. Sears shared with those present that Governor Newsom appointed Genevieve Shiroma to the California Public Utilities Commission. Ms. Shiroma served on the SMUD Board of Directors and has a good background with CCA’s.</p>



Mr. Sears reminded those present that the central valley is lacking CCA's. He has been invited to speak with the City of Fresno Council Members about CCA's at their February 14th meeting.

Chairperson Stallard shared with those present that he attended, along with VCE Staff, a mobile vehicle charger demonstration at VCE's offices. The charger is 8 Kilowatts and can charge two (2) vehicles at a time.

Chairperson Stallard informed those present that there is a new CPUC representative for our area, Navid Patar.

Chairperson Stallard asked if there were any public comments.

Kate Kelly of Defenders of Wildlife encourages the Board to support staff in looking at the central valley to expand CCA's. Key areas are in the San Joaquin area and CCAs help protect agricultural, wildlife and forward renewable issues and efforts. Director Frerichs stated that the VCE Board would benefit a discussion on "siting" principles.

Christine Shewmaker, resident of City of Woodland and Community Advisory Committee Member, encourages customers to opt up and asked that each Agency within their respective areas encourage residents and their own jurisdictional agencies to do the same.

Announcement
and Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the City of Davis Community Chambers located at 23 Russell Blvd., Davis.

Chairperson Stallard adjourned the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Alisa M. Lembke
VCE Board Secretary