Governing Board

SUMMARY MINUTES

Wednesday, December 10, 2014
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Meeting Location:
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor Conference Room
Oakland, California

For additional information, please contact:
Clerk of the Governing Board, (510) 464 7900

Agenda and attachments available at:
www.sfbayrestore.org

1. Call to Order

Ted Lempert, Chair, called the meeting to order at about 1:05 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Anna Schneider, Executive Assistant, California State Coastal Conservancy, reported that four (4) members were present. A quorum of the Governing Board was present.

Present were Keith Caldwell, Cindy Chavez, Ted Lempert, Dave Pine (arrived later), John Sutter.

Absent was Rosanne Foust, John Gioia.

Present were Ezra Rapport (ABAG); Judy Kelly (San Francisco Estuary Partnership); Amy Roach, Amy Hutzel and Melanie Denninger (California State Coastal Conservancy).

3. Public Comments

There was no public comment.

4. Announcements

There were no announcements.

5. Approval of Summary Minutes of September 24, 2014
Lempert recognized a motion by Sutter and a second by Chavez to approve the summary minutes of the Governing Board meeting on September 24, 2014. There was no discussion. The motion passed with four (4) aye votes.

Ayes: Caldwell, Chavez, Lempert, Sutter.
Nays: None.
Abstentions: None.
Absent: Foust, Gioia, Pine.

6. Chair’s Report

[Lpine arrived.]

Lempert introduced Ruth Bernstein of EMC Research and Sarah Stern-Benoit of TBWB Strategies to report on their work on two recent ballot measures, the Mid-Peninsula Open Space District’s Measure AA and the Santa Clara County Open Space District’s Measure Q, and on the election outcomes.


Amy Hutzel, Manager, San Francisco Bay Area Conservancy Program, California State Coastal Conservancy, reported on past and current options for revenue raising mechanisms.

Members discussed the following: Continuing with pursue a parcel tax and options for placing the measure before voters. Members then noted the need to evaluate the effects on revenue and voting of placing a measure on ballots in less than the entirety of the nine Bay Area counties.

8. Report on Membership Option for Restoration Authority

Cindy Chavez, Supervisor, County of Santa Clara, reported on membership option for the Restoration Authority.

Members discussed the following: The need to raise funds prior to placing a measure on the ballot in order to enable obtaining technical and outside legal advice and the potential for local agencies to contribute funds via membership. Chavez volunteered to take the lead on pursuing the membership and funding concept. Pine volunteered to work with her.

9. Legislation Update

Hutzel and Patrick Band, Save The Bay, reported on legislation update and proposed legislation activity by Save The Bay.

Members discussed the following: Extending the sunset dates for the Restoration Authority and for provisions added to its enabling legislation in 2014, clarifying the eligibility criteria for the Chair, and clarifying eligible ballot access charges.
Lempert recognized a motion by Sutter and a second by Pine to approve Save The Bay working with legislators to introduce a bill for the above purposes, with refinement in early 2015. The motion passed with five (5) aye votes.

Ayes: Caldwell, Chavez, Lempert, Pine, Sutter.

Nays: None.

Abstentions: None.

Absent: Foust, Gioia.


Hutzel reported on the preliminary schedule of critical path steps leading to the November 2016 ballot measure.

Members discussed the following: The need to proceed promptly and to add detail to the schedule.

11. Planning for February 25, 2015 Meeting with Advisory Committee

Hutzel reported on planning for the Governing Board meeting with the Advisory Committee on February 25, 2015.

Members discussed the following: Attending the Advisory Committee meeting.

12. Proposed Revised 2015 Governing Board Meeting Schedule

Hutzel reported on the proposed revised Governing Board meeting schedule for 2015.

Members discussed the following: Moving the date of the September 2015 Governing Board meeting from September 23 to September 16, and planning to choose the best time for the meeting when the times and locations of the State of the Estuary Conference gala and BCDC’s anniversary conference and celebration have been set.

Lempert recognized a motion by Chavez and a second by Sutter to approve the revised 2015 Governing Board meeting schedule. There was no discussion. The motion passed with five (5) aye votes.

Ayes: Caldwell, Chavez, Lempert, Pine, Sutter.

Nays: None.

Abstentions: None.

Absent: Foust, Gioia.

13. Adjournment

The Governing Board meeting adjourned at about 2:54 p.m.
Next meeting is on Wednesday, February 25, 2015, 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., followed by Advisory Committee meeting from 2:45 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Submitted by the Clerk of the Governing Board:
February 20, 2015

Approved by the Governing Board:
February 25, 2015