



AMERICAN
RIVER
AUTHORITY

C/O PLACER COUNTY WATER AGENCY
P.O. BOX 6570, AUBURN CA 95604 (530) 823-4860

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AMERICAN RIVER AUTHORITY
3:00 P.M. ADJOURNED BOARD MEETING
Monday, July 17, 2006

MEETING LOCATION:
Placer County Board of Supervisors Chambers
Placer County Administrative Center
175 Fulweiler Avenue
Auburn, CA 95603

ENTITY	DIRECTORS	ALTERNATES
County of El Dorado	Jack Sweeney	Helen Baumann
County of Placer	Bruce Kranz	Robert Weygandt
County of San Joaquin	Jack Sieglock	NONE
El Dorado Co. Water Agency	JoAnn Shepherd	Helen Baumann
Placer County Water Agency	Lowell Jarvis	Mike Lee
Public Member	Roy Ruhkala	John Fraser

Bruce Kranz (Chair of the Board)
Jack Sieglock (Vice-Chair)

David Breninger (Executive Director)
Chris Williams (Counsel)

A. CALL TO ORDER - by Chair Bruce Kranz

1. Roll Call & Introductions
2. Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chairman Bruce Kranz

ARA Members Present: Jack Sweeney, El Dorado County
Bruce Kranz, Placer County
JoAnn Shepherd, El Dorado County Water Agency
Lowell Jarvis, Placer County Water Agency
John Fraser, Public Member (non-voting member)

ARA Staff Present: Ed Horton, ARA Consultant

- B. PUBLIC COMMENT: Any member of the public may address the Board at this time on any subject matter *not* on the agenda and that is within the jurisdictional authority of the American River Authority. All items described on the agenda will be open for public comment before final action is taken. Speakers are requested to restrict comments to the item as it appears on the agenda and stay within a *three-minute* time limit.

Mike Schaefer, PE, representative of the Auburn Dam Council and a former Bureau of Reclamation manager, who was in charge of the Auburn Dam Project during the late 1980's and early 1990's, provided an overview and timeline of activities related to the Auburn Dam Project. He spoke of the concerns of the project being on or near an earthquake fault and what design criteria needs to be followed to mitigate the risk related to the Project. He mentioned there are five dams larger than 2 million acre-feet and two dams larger than 3 million acre-feet which have been constructed in similar terrain which show no signs of failure due to seismic activity. He mentioned the Auburn project has been studied more than any project in the United States and, in his professional opinion, a safe dam can be built in Auburn. Mike also provided three handouts related to his presentation. The board thanked Mr. Schaefer for his very informative presentation.

C. CONSENT CALENDER:

1. Approval of minutes: May 15, 2006, adjourned board meeting.
Action: Minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

D. GENERAL ITEMS:

1. Update by Public Awareness Committee (Chairman Kranz and Director Fraser) on the ongoing ARA program. Presentation by Kelli Reid of McNally Temple & Associates on the proposed ARA Web Site. Take action as necessary and appropriate.
Action: Kelli Reid of McNally Temple & Associates reported the ARA website is up and running. Additional items will be added to the website as appropriate. She also reported on a postcard mailer identifying the new website and asked for direction on the postcard mailer.

Moved by Director Shepherd and seconded by Director Fraser authorizing the Public Awareness Committee work with Kelli Reid of McNally Temple & Associates to continue to update the website and finalize the postcard mailer. Approved by unanimous vote.

2. \$5,000 contribution to the American River Authority from El Dorado Irrigation District. Report by Director John Fraser. Take action as necessary and appropriate.
Action: Director Fraser reported a \$5,000 contribution by the El Dorado Irrigation District to the ongoing American River Authority Public Awareness Program. Board members thanked the El Dorado Irrigation District for its support and requested the \$5,000 contribution be expended towards the Authority's Public Awareness Program.
3. Request by El Dorado Irrigation District to become a member of ARA.
 - a. Written response dated July 10, 2006 by ARA legal Counsel, Chris Williams (attached).
 - b. Discussion
 - c. Take action as necessary and appropriate.**Action: Director Fraser asked that EID, as a major water purveyor in El Dorado County, be allowed to join the ARA. In the case of El Dorado County, Director**

Fraser mentioned EID is very involved in local and regional water matters and felt EID would bring additional expertise to the ARA. Discussion followed regarding who should be a member of the ARA. There were suggestions of two types of membership – a regular and an associate membership. There were comments about numerous water purveyors in the member counties and whether these purveyors be offered an opportunity to become a member of the ARA.

Chairman Kranz appointed Directors Fraser and Sweeney to serve as an Ad Hoc committee to discuss the matter further and report back at the next meeting of the ARA.

4. Report on legislation. Take action as necessary and appropriate.

Action: Nothing to report.

E. REPORTS BY ARA DIRECTORS: In accordance with Government Code § 54954.2(a), Directors may make brief announcements or brief reports on their own activities. They may ask questions for clarification, make a referral to staff or take action to have staff place a matter of business on a future agenda.

Director Kranz reported being interviewed by the local Comcast cable company about ARA activities.

F. REPORT BY ARA LEGAL COUNSEL

No additional report

G. REPORT BY ARA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

No additional report

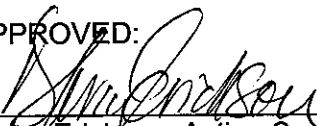
H. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE:

To be announced

I. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Kranz at 5:00 PM

APPROVED:



Darcy Erickson, Acting Secretary
American River Authority
(530) 823-4962