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BOARD OF DIRECTORS Minutes of Quarterly Meeting

Date: June 15, 2023
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Sycamore Hill Group Site
Irvine Regional Park
1 Irvine Park Road
Orange, CA

I. Call to Order

President Steve LaMar called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.

The president thanked Director Pam Passow and her colleagues at OC Parks providing the perfect meeting location and assisting with meeting logistics. He also thanked all members of the Board of Directors that are supporting the field trip by providing four-wheel drive vehicles to transport participants.

Roll Call

The following Directors, Liaisons or Alternates, constituting a quorum of the Board, were recorded as present at the meeting:

Carol Roberts (Liaison), US Fish and Wildlife Service
David Mayer (Alternate), California Department of Fish and Wildlife
Emily Gray, California Department of Fish and Wildlife
Kevin Pearsall (Director), California Department of Parks and Recreation
Riley Pratt (Alternate), California Department of Parks and Recreation
Pam Passow (Director), County of Orange
Jennifer Shook (Alternate), County of Orange
Steve LaMar (Director), Irvine Ranch Water District
Diane Doesserich (Director), Metropolitan Water District
Renee Latu (Alternate), Southern California Edison
Cascade Sorte (Director), University of California, Irvine
Doug Feremenga (Director), Transportation Corridor Agencies
Casey Gnad, City of Irvine
Mark Denny (Director), Irvine Company
Dean Kirk (Alternate), Irvine Company

Nancy Gardner (Director), City of Newport Beach
Tom Eastman (Director), At-Large Public Member (Environment)
Oscar Rodriguez (Alternate), At-Large Public Member (Environment)
Hallie Jones (Director), At-Large Public Member (Recreation)
Carrisa Macias (Alternate), At-Large Public Member (Recreation)
Jennifer Bower (Director), Orange County Fire Authority
Scott Hatch (Alternate), Orange County Fire Authority
Gene Felder, Coastal Greenbelt Authority

The following Directors were recorded as absent:

Scott Smith (Director), City of Irvine
Michael Recupero (Director), At-Large Public Member (Business)
Shelli Lamb, Southwest Resource Management Association
Tom Maloney (Director), Coastal Greenbelt Authority

II. Consent Calendar

On a motion by Director Nancy Gardner, which was seconded by Secretary Mark Denny, the minutes of the March 16, 2023, Board of Directors meeting (with abstentions from those who were not present at the March meeting), 1st Quarter 2023 Investment Report, May 31, 2023 Financial Report, Wildland Report, Committee Reports, and Strategic Plan Update were approved unanimously.

III. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Jim Sulentich invited NCC Science Coordinator and Wildland Fire Lead to provide an overview of the field trip logistics and focus of the Weir Canyon projects stops.

IV. Oral Communications

President LaMar asked if Board members and other meeting attendees had any announcements or questions of the Board. No communication was offered.

V. Adjournment and Closed Session

There was no request for closed session. The public meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, _____
James Sulentich, Executive Director

ATTEST: _____
Mark Denny, Secretary