

# REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Directors of the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA) Thursday, March 25, 2021 MINUTES

Peninsula Clean Energy Video conference and teleconference 6:30 p.m.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Dave Pine, County of San Mateo

Carolyn Bloede, County of San Mateo Rick DeGolia, Town of Atherton, *Chair* 

Donna Colson, City of Burlingame, Vice Chair

Julia Mates, City of Belmont Coleen Mackin, City of Brisbane

Raquel "Rae" Gonzalez, Town of Colma Roderick Daus-Magbual, City of Daly City Carlos Romero, City of East Palo Alto

Sam Hindi, City of Foster City

Harvey Rarback, City of Half Moon Bay Laurence May, Town of Hillsborough

Tom Faria, City of Los Banos
Betsy Nash, City of Menlo Park
Ann Schneider, City of Millbrae
Tygarjas Bigstyck, City of Pacifica
Jeff Aalfs, Town of Portola Valley
Giselle Hale, City of Redwood City
Marty Medina, City of San Bruno
Laura Parmer-Lohan, City of San Carlos

Rick Bonilla, City of San Mateo

James Coleman, City of South San Francisco

John Carvell, Town of Woodside Pradeep Gupta, Director Emeritus John Keener, Director Emeritus

**Staff:** Jan Pepper, Chief Executive Officer

Andy Stern, Chief Financial Officer Leslie Brown, Director of Customer Care Rafael Reyes, Director of Energy Programs Phillip Kobernick, Programs Manager Shraddha Mutyal, Programs Manager
KJ Janowski, Director of Marketing and Community Relations
Kirsten Andrews-Schwind, Senior Manager of Community Relations
Tj Carter, Marketing Specialist
Darren Goode, Media Relations
Siobhan Doherty, Director of Power Resources
Mehdi Shahriari, Senior Renewable Energy Analyst
Jeremy Waen, Director of Regulatory Policy
Mark Fenstermaker, Pacific Policy Group
Jennifer Stalzer Kraske, Deputy County Counsel
Shayna Barnes, Administrative Assistant
Anne Bartoletti, Board Clerk/Office Manager/Executive Assistant to the CEO

# A quorum was established.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Bruce Karney, Mountain View, CA Janelle London, Joint Venture Silicon Valley

# **ACTION TO SET THE AGENDA AND APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Motion Made / Seconded: Bonilla / Hale

# Motion passed 22-0

Resolutions 03-25-21 (3), (4)

JURISDICTION	NAME	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
County of San Mateo	Director Pine	Х			
County of San Mateo	Alternate Bloede	Χ			
Town of Atherton	Director DeGolia	Χ			
City of Belmont	Director Mates	Χ			
City of Brisbane	Director Mackin	Χ			
City of Burlingame	Director Colson	Χ			
Town of Colma	Alternate Gonzalez	Χ			
City of Daly City	Director Daus-Magbual	Χ			
City of East Palo Alto	Director Romero				Х
City of Foster City	Director Hindi	Χ			
City of Half Moon Bay	Director Rarback	Χ			
Town of Hillsborough	Director May	Χ			
City of Los Banos	Director Faria	Χ			
City of Menlo Park	Director Nash	Χ			
City of Millbrae	Director Schneider	Χ			
City of Pacifica	Alternate Bigstyck	Χ			
Town of Portola Valley	Director Aalfs	Х			

City of Redwood City	Director Hale	Χ		
City of San Bruno	Director Medina	Χ		
City of San Carlos	Director Parmer-Lohan	Χ		
City of San Mateo	Director Bonilla	Х		
City of South San Francisco	Alternate Coleman	Χ		
Town of Woodside	Alternate Carvell	Х		
	Totals	22		1

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

## 1. CHAIR REPORT

No report.

## 2. CEO REPORT

Jan Pepper—Chief Executive Officer—provided a staffing update, and reported that PCE's amended Implementation Plan has been certified by the CPUC (California Public Utilities Commission). She reported that CC Power is discussing the creation of policies, that PCE submitted a letter of support for SB612 sponsored by CalCCA (California Community Choice Association), and that PCE's Executive Committee reviewed SB67 and SB68.

Board members discussed LDES (Long Duration Energy Storage), and the status of several Senate Bills.

## 3. CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Desiree Thayer—Chair—reported that the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) had a panel of speakers from SCP (Sonoma Clean Power), SMUD (Sacramento Municipal Utility District), SVCE (Silicon Valley Clean Energy), and BeSmart/ Carbon Free Palo Alto to discuss building electrification, and she reported that the CAC is working with staff to finalize topics for new work group projects.

# 4. APPOINTMENT TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND OTHER STANDING COMMITTEES

Rick DeGolia—Chair—presented a new slate of members for the Executive Committee: Rick DeGolia, Donna Colson, Dave Pine, Julia Mates, Jeff Aalfs, Giselle Hale, Marty Medina, Laura Parmer-Lohan, Rick Bonilla, and Directors Emeritus Pradeep Gupta and John Keener.

Motion Made / Seconded: Bonilla / Faria

# Motion passed 22-0

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City of Belmont	Director Mates	Х	
City of Brisbane	Director Mackin	Х	
City of Burlingame	Director Colson	Χ	
Town of Colma	Alternate Gonzalez	Χ	
City of Daly City	Director Daus-Magbual	Х	
City of East Palo Alto	Director Romero		Х
City of Foster City	Director Hindi	Х	
City of Half Moon Bay	Director Rarback	Х	
Town of Hillsborough	Director May	Χ	
City of Los Banos	Director Faria	Χ	
City of Menlo Park	Director Nash	Χ	
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Town of Portola Valley	Director Aalfs	Χ	
City of Redwood City	Director Hale	Χ	
City of San Bruno	Director Medina	Χ	
City of San Carlos	Director Parmer-Lohan	Χ	
City of San Mateo	Director Bonilla	Χ	
City of South San Francisco	Alternate Coleman	Χ	
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Rick DeGolia presented a new slate of members for the Audit and Finance Committee: Laurence May as Chair, Carole Groom, Donna Colson, Carlos Romero, Jeff Aalfs, and Directors Emeritus Pradeep Gupta and John Keener.

Motion Made / Seconded: Pine / Colson

# Motion passed 21-0

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City of Belmont	Director Mates	Х			
City of Brisbane	Director Mackin	Х			
City of Burlingame	Director Colson	Х			
Town of Colma	Alternate Gonzalez	Х			
City of Daly City	Director Daus-Magbual	Х			

City of East Palo Alto	Director Romero		X
City of Foster City	Director Hindi	Χ	
City of Half Moon Bay	Director Rarback	Χ	
Town of Hillsborough	Director May	Χ	
City of Los Banos	Director Faria	Χ	
City of Menlo Park	Director Nash	Х	
City of Millbrae	Director Schneider		Х
City of Pacifica	Alternate Bigstyck	Χ	
Town of Portola Valley	Director Aalfs	Χ	
City of Redwood City	Director Hale	Χ	
City of San Bruno	Director Medina	Χ	
City of San Carlos	Director Parmer-Lohan	Χ	
City of San Mateo	Director Bonilla	Χ	
City of South San Francisco	Alternate Coleman	Χ	
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	Totals	21	2

# 5. APPROVE REVISED POLICY 16 – SELECTION OF THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR AND APPOINTMENT TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND OTHER STANDING BOARD COMMITTEES

Jan Pepper reported that the proposed revised Policy 16 was reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee. She reported that in election years, vacancies on the Executive Committee reduce participation on subcommittees. The proposed revision to Policy 16 will allow the Chair to fill vacancies on an interim basis until a new slate of members is approved by the Board.

Motion Made / Seconded: Mates / Parmer-Lohan

# Motion passed 21-0

Resolutions 03-25-21 (1)

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City of Belmont	Director Mates	Х			
City of Brisbane	Director Mackin	Х			
City of Burlingame	Director Colson	Х			
Town of Colma	Alternate Gonzalez	Х			
City of Daly City	Director Daus-Magbual	Х			
City of East Palo Alto	Director Romero				Х
City of Foster City	Director Hindi	Х			
City of Half Moon Bay	Director Rarback	Х			

Town of Hillsborough	Director May	X		
City of Los Banos	Director Faria	Х		
City of Menlo Park	Director Nash	Χ		
City of Millbrae	Director Schneider			Х
City of Pacifica	Alternate Bigstyck	Χ		
Town of Portola Valley	Director Aalfs	Χ		
City of Redwood City	Director Hale	Χ		
City of San Bruno	Director Medina	Χ		
City of San Carlos	Director Parmer-Lohan	Χ		
City of San Mateo	Director Bonilla	Χ		
City of South San Francisco	Alternate Coleman	Χ		
Town of Woodside	Alternate Carvell	Χ		
	Totals	21		2

# 6. AUTHORIZATION TO ADJUST PCE RATES IN RESPONSE TO MARCH 1, 2021 PG&E RATE CHANGES

Leslie Brown—Director of Customer Care—reported that PG&E had a rate change March 1, 2021, with increases in both generation and PCIA (Power Charge Indifference Adjustment). She reviewed PCE's rate making methodology and upcoming rate transitions, and reported that staff is requesting authorization to adjust rates down to be in alignment with PCE's discount.

Board members discussed PCIA, T&D (Transmission and Distribution) charges, and PCE's rates and discount compared to PG&E.

Motion Made / Seconded: Parmer-Lohan / Hale

# Motion passed 22-0

Resolutions 03-25-21 (2)

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County of San Mateo	Director Pine	Х			
County of San Mateo	Alternate Bloede	Χ			
Town of Atherton	Director DeGolia	Χ			
City of Belmont	Director Mates	Χ			
City of Brisbane	Director Mackin	Χ			
City of Burlingame	Director Colson	Χ			
Town of Colma	Alternate Gonzalez	Χ			
City of Daly City	Director Daus-Magbual	Χ			
City of East Palo Alto	Director Romero	Χ			
City of Foster City	Director Hindi	Χ			
City of Half Moon Bay	Director Rarback	Χ			
Town of Hillsborough	Director May	Χ			

City of Los Banos	Director Faria	Χ		
City of Menlo Park	Director Nash	Х		
City of Millbrae	Director Schneider			X
City of Pacifica	Alternate Bigstyck	Χ		
Town of Portola Valley	Director Aalfs	Χ		
City of Redwood City	Director Hale	Χ		
City of San Bruno	Director Medina	Χ		
City of San Carlos	Director Parmer-Lohan	Χ		
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## 7. REVIEW PROGRAMS ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Rafael Reyes—Director of Energy Programs—reviewed the overall program objectives and the programs portfolio, and detailed the successful outcomes of the projects targeting reach codes, Electric Vehicles (EVs), EV Charging, innovation pilots, and the areas of leadership and policy. One of the highlights was the success of PCE's reach code efforts, resulting in 11 municipalities in San Mateo County adopting reach codes, and spearheading innovation in building and EV codes.

Board members discussed sustainable workforce with union labor, GHG (greenhouse gas) reductions, EV charging commitments and curbside charging, and the e-bike program for 2021.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mark Roest

## 8. REVIEW OF THE SCHOOLS ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS

Tj Carter—Marketing Specialist—reviewed a series of programs in partnership with the Office of Education and funded by PCE to expand environmental literacy in San Mateo County, including the Energy Dashboard Pilot in San Carlos, the One Planet Schools Challenge awards program, Youth Climate Ambassadors fellowship program, the Energize Colleges internship program, and the SMELC (San Mateo Environmental Learning Collaborative) Fellowships development programs for teachers and administrators. One of the highlights was that the SMELC program reached 49 teachers, 10 administrators, and over 1665 students.

Board members discussed environmental literacy, social justice and geographic diversity, and expanding these programs to the City of Los Banos and the County of Merced.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mark Roest

## 9. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Jeff Aalfs reported that the CAC's panel discussion on building electrification was outstanding, and that the video recording is worth a look. (The CAC presentation recording is posted on PCE's website at this link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C5-7MroaFw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C5-7MroaFw</a>). Rick Bonilla reported that the Sustainable San Mateo County virtual awards ceremony will take place on May 14. He also reporting that PCE and SVCE won the 2021 Spare the Air Leadership Award, and that Rick himself won the Sustainability Award.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.