



**REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Directors of the  
Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA)  
Thursday, November 16, 2017  
MINUTES**

Peninsula Clean Energy  
2075 Woodside Road, Redwood City, CA 94061  
6:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Dave Pine, County of San Mateo, *Chair*  
Carole Groom, County of San Mateo  
Jeff Aalfs, Town of Portola Valley, *Vice Chair*  
Rick DeGolia, Town of Atherton  
Greg Scoles, City of Belmont  
Sigalle Michael, City of Burlingame  
Rae P. Gonzalez, Town of Colma  
Carlos Romero, City of East Palo Alto  
Catherine Mahanpour, City of Foster City  
Harvey Rarback, City of Half Moon Bay  
Laurence May, Town of Hillsborough  
Catherine Carlton, City of Menlo Park  
Ann Schneider, City of Millbrae  
John Keener, City of Pacifica  
Ian Bain, City of Redwood City  
Marty Medina, City of San Bruno  
Rick Bonilla, City of San Mateo  
Daniel Yost, Town of Woodside

**Absent:** City of Brisbane  
City of Daly City  
City of San Carlos  
City of South San Francisco

**Staff:** Jan Pepper, Chief Executive Officer  
Jay Modi, Director of Finance and Administration  
Siobhan Doherty, Director of Power Resources

Joseph Wiedman, Director of Regulatory and Legislative Affairs  
Dan Lieberman, Director of Marketing and Public Affairs  
Leslie Brown, Manager of Customer Care  
Kirsten Andrews-Schwind, Communications and Outreach Manager  
Eric Wiener, Renewable Energy Analyst  
TJ Carter, Marketing Associate  
Alejandra Posada, Outreach Fellow  
Charlsie Chang, Outreach Fellow  
Nirit Eriksson, Associate General Counsel  
Anne Bartoletti, Board Clerk/Executive Assistant to the CEO

**A quorum was established.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

James Tuleya, Carbon Free Silicon Valley  
Diane Bailey, Menlo Spark

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

Jeff Aalfs—Vice Chair—pulled item 11.

Motion Made / Seconded: May / Schneider

**Motion passed 16-0 (Absent: County of San Mateo-Pine, Brisbane, Daly City, East Palo Alto, San Carlos, South San Francisco.)**

**11. APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATION OF 2018 BOARD MEETING DATES**

Jeff Aalfs reported that the PCE staff have presented a recommendation of 2018 meeting dates for the Board of Directors. Anne Bartoletti—Board Clerk and Executive Assistant to the CEO—reported that the Executive Committee reviewed the recommended Board meeting dates on Monday, November 13, 2017 and had suggested one date change in September, to move the meeting to September 22, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 pm for the Board Retreat.

Motion Made / Seconded: DeGolia / Yost

**Motion passed 16-0 (Absent: County of San Mateo-Pine, Brisbane, Daly City, East Palo Alto, San Carlos, South San Francisco.)**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**1. CHAIR REPORT**

Jeff Aalfs—Vice Chair—reported that he attended two informative conferences, the Clean Energy Finance Forum and the Annual Bits & Watts Symposium at Stanford University.

## **2. CEO REPORT**

Jan Pepper—Chief Executive Officer—reported that positions have been posted for a Key Accounts Executive, Power Resources Manager, and a part-time Creative Content Designer, and the Senior Regulatory Analyst position will be re-posted. Jan reported that she attended the CalCCA (California Community Choice Association) Board meeting and Legislative Retreat, and that she, Dan Lieberman, and Siobhan Doherty spoke on three different panels at the Community Choice Energy Summit in Santa Clara. Jan announced that she, Joe Wiedman, and some PCE Board members will meet with Senator Jerry Hill on Friday to discuss the upcoming legislative session.

## **3. CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT**

Michael Closson—Chair of the Citizens Advisory Committee—reported that at the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting, Siobhan Doherty presented information on PCE's power procurement, and they reviewed local programs being conducted by other CCAs (Community Choice Aggregator). Ted Howard—Vice Chair of the Citizens Advisory Committee—reported on additional local program options, including energy storage, micro-grids, and DER (Distributed Energy Resources).

## **4. MARKETING AND OUTREACH REPORT**

Dan Lieberman—Director of Marketing and Public Affairs—reported that the marketing team has been busy doing outreach, meeting with key account customers, and preparing for future advertising campaigns. Dan also reported that PCE has applied for Green-e certification to start on January 1, 2018, and staff prepared an application to The Climate Registry.

## **5. REGULATORY AND LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Joe Wiedman—Director of Legislative and Regulatory Affairs—reported that from the end of October through November, PCE, as part of various coalitions, submitted seven pleadings at the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), and PCE staff attended five workshops or stakeholder meetings during this period. Joe also reported that the CalCCA Legislative Committee held a retreat to plan for the upcoming legislative session.

## **6. APPROVAL OF NEW RATES**

Leslie Brown—Manager of Customer Care—reported that PCE staff consulted with Pacific Energy Advisors (PEA) to project PG&E's rates that will be effective January 1, 2018. Based on the expected increase in the PCIA and the expected increase in PG&E's generation rates, most of PCE's rates should continue to be 5% below PG&E's generation rates starting in 2018. For those selected rates where it appears the 5% discount may be reduced, PCE staff is recommending that adjustments to those rates be made in December in order to maintain the 5% discount on all PCE rates effective January 1, 2018.

Motion Made / Seconded: Carlton / Harvey

**Motion passed 17-0 (Absent: County of San Mateo-Pine, Brisbane, Daly City, San Carlos, South San Francisco.)**

**7. APPROVE ENDORSEMENT OF CITIZEN’S CLIMATE LOBBY**

Gary White—Group Leader of the San Mateo chapter of the Citizen’s Climate Lobby (CCL)—presented information on CCL as a non-profit, non-partisan, grassroots advocacy organization focused on gaining national support for their “Carbon Fee and Dividend” proposal to address climate change. He explained that their proposal seeks to place a price on carbon, with fees collected returned to households as a monthly energy dividend. Jan Pepper reported that a proposed resolution in support of CCL’s proposal was included in the supplemental agenda packet, and that it mirrors the resolution adopted by the County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors.

Dave Pine reported that the County Board of Supervisors unanimously supported this proposal, and that a carbon tax in the United Kingdom was instrumental in reducing their GHG emissions and their carbon footprint. Gary White clarified that the resolution is asking for an endorsement of a carbon fee, not an endorsement of the CCL organization. Board members discussed the pros and cons of a carbon tax versus cap-and-trade.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mark Roest, SeaWave Battery, Inc.

Dave Pine suggested moving this item to the January meeting to give Board members time to review the CCL’s proposal.

Motion Made / Seconded: Pine / Carlton

**Motion passed 18-0 (Absent: Brisbane, Daly City, San Carlos, South San Francisco.)**

**8. INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN (IRP) UPDATE**

Siobhan Doherty—Director of Power Resources—reported that PCE’s Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) takes into consideration PCE’s strategic goals and policies, regulatory requirements, PCE’s daily load, diversity of resources and technology, and additionality, which means that a project or activity would not have happened without PCE. Board members discussed best practices and tactics to mitigate risks and price variations. Siobhan reported that the next step is to distribute a draft IRP to the Board the week before the next meeting, and adopt it in December.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

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**9. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Dave Pine reported that the production of meat is problematic for certain environmental and climate protection goals. He reported that Impossible Foods has a meat substitute that is impressive. Ian Bain—Mayor of Redwood City—reported that Impossible Foods is headquartered in Redwood City.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.