

MCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Friday, January 21, 2022
12:15 P.M.

The Executive Committee Meeting was conducted pursuant to the requirements of [Assembly Bill No. 361](#) (September 16, 2021) which allows a public agency to use teleconferencing during a Governor-proclaimed state of emergency without meeting usual [Ralph M. Brown Act](#) teleconference requirements. Committee Members, staff and members of the public were able to participate in the Committee Meeting via teleconference.

Present: Denise Athas, City of Novato
Edi Birsan, City of Concord
Tom Butt, City of Richmond
Barbara Coler, Town of Fairfax
Cindy Darling, City of Walnut Creek
Kevin Haroff, City of Larkspur, Chair
Devin Murphy, City of Pinole
Gabriel Quinto, Alternate, City of El Cerrito
Shanelle Scales-Preston, City of Pittsburg
Brad Wagenknecht, County of Napa and All Five Napa Cities
Sally Wilkinson, City of Belvedere and the City of Mill Valley

Absent: Ford Greene Town of San Anselmo

Staff

& Others: Jessica Brooks, Assistant Board Clerk
Darlene Jackson, Board Clerk
Vicken Kasarjian, Chief Operating Officer
Shaheen Khan, Director of Human Resources, Diversity & Inclusion
Catalina Murphy, Legal Counsel II
Enyonam Senyo-Mensah, Administrative Services Associate
Dawn Weisz, Chief Executive Officer

1. Roll Call/Quorum

Chair Haroff called the Special Executive Committee meeting to order at 12:16 p.m. with quorum established by roll call.

2. Public Open Time (Discussion)

Chair Haroff opened the public comment period and there were comments from member of the public Rick Adler.

3. Resolution No. 2022-01 Authorizing Continued Remote Teleconference Meetings for the Board of Directors and Every Committee of the Board of

Directors Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)
(Discussion/Action)

Catalina Murphy, Legal Counsel II, presented this item and addressed questions from Committee members.

Chair Haroff opened the public comment period and there were no comments.

Action: It was M/S/C (Athas/Butt) to **adopt proposed Resolution No. 2022-01 Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings for the Board of Directors and Every Committee of the Board of Directors Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)**. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. (Absent: Director Greene).

CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Labor Negotiator
Agency Designated Representative: Executive Committee Chair
Unrepresented Employee: Chief Executive Officer
Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Chief Executive Officer

The Committee adjourned to Closed Session at 12:25 p.m.

4. The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:55 p.m.

1. Roll Call/Quorum

Quorum was established by roll call.

2. Board Announcements (Discussion)

There were comments made from Director Murphy.

3. Public Open Time (Discussion)

There were no comments.

4. Report from Chief Executive Officer (Discussion)

CEO, Dawn Weisz, reported the following:

- In February MCE will be hosting a Heritage History Month blog series and will be highlighting Black Americans. Please let us know if you would be interested in being featured in February or in a future heritage history month.
- Last week Governor Gavin Newsom announced a \$22 billion climate proposal that would be the largest climate investment in state history. Combined with funds from last year's state resilience budget, the governor has proposed a total of \$37 billion to be spent over a six-year period. These funds would support transitioning to

low-carbon transportation, decarbonizing the electric grid and buildings, mitigating wildfires, and much more.

- A two-day CFEE Conference on Infrastructure Spending, February 3–4, 2022 will be held in Napa. We will report out on what we learn.
- PANC will be featuring MCE's PeakFLEX market program on February 9th at the monthly virtual lunch meeting.
- Some of our Board members are receiving inquiries from IBEW locals in our region about our workforce, education and training program. This program trained 32 folks in 2021, many of whom have since moved into union apprenticeship programs. We will be meeting on this in the next week or two, if you'd like to participate, please reach out to me or Darlene to be added to the meeting.

5. Consent Calendar (Discussion/Action)

- C.1 Approval of 12.3.21 Meeting Minutes
- C.2 First Agreement with Syndesus Canada Inc.

Chair Haroff opened the public comment period and there were no

Action: It was M/S/C (Wagenknecht/Coler) **to approve Consent Calendar item C.1.** Motion carried by roll call vote. (Abstained: Athas. Absent: Directors Greene).

Action: It was M/S/C (Coler/Athas) **to approve Consent Calendar item C.2.** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. (Absent: Directors Greene, Murphy and Scales-Preston).

comments.

6. Resolution No. 2022-02 Establishing the Annual Compensation for the Chief Executive Officer (Discussion/Action)

Shaheen Khan, Director of Human Resources, Diversity & Inclusion, presented this item and addressed questions from Committee members.

Chair Haroff opened the public comment period and there were no comments.

Action: It was M/S/C (Coler/Darling) **to adopt the attached Resolution 2022-02 Establishing the Annual Compensation for the Chief Executive Officer.** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. (Absent: Directors Greene, Murphy, and Scales-Preston).

7. Selection of Ad Hoc Committee for CEO Compensation Structures (Discussion/Action)

Shaheen Khan, Director of Human Resources, Diversity & Inclusion, presented this item and addressed questions from Committee members.

Chair Haroff opened the public comment period and there were no comments.

Action: It was M/S/C (//Athas/Coler to **approve the selection of Board Members to 2022 Ad Hoc Committee for CEO Compensation Structures.** Directors: Coler, Darling, Quinto, Scales-Preston [previously expressed interest], Wagenknecht, and Wilkinson. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. (Absents: Director Greene, and Scales-Preston).

8. Committee & Staff Matters (Discussion)

There were none.

9. Adjournment

Chair Haroff adjourned the meeting at 1:43 p.m. to the next scheduled Executive Committee Meeting on February 4, 2022.

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Kevin Haroff, Chair

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Dawn Weisz, Secretary