

## Action Summary Minutes

San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District

### **GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

Central Region Office, Governing Board Room  
1990 E. Gettysburg Avenue, Fresno, CA

**Thursday, May 19, 2022**

***Given the international COVID-19 pandemic, and consistent with public health recommendations and Assembly Bill 361, this meeting was held via Zoom Webinar and video teleconferencing with the Central Region Office (Fresno). This meeting was also webcast.***

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER – The Vice Chair, Vito Chiesa, called the meeting to order at 11:16 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL – was taken and a quorum was present.

*Present:*

Drew M. Bessinger, Councilmember	City of Clovis
Vito Chiesa, Supervisor, <b>Vice Chair</b>	Stanislaus County
David Couch, Supervisor	Kern County
Buddy Mendes, Supervisor	Fresno County
Tania Pacheco-Werner, Ph.D.	Appointed by Governor
Lloyd Pareira, Supervisor	Merced County
Alvaro Preciado, Mayor	City of Avenal
Robert Rickman, Supervisor*	San Joaquin County
Alexander Sherriffs, M.D.	Appointed by Governor
Amy Shuklian, Supervisor	Tulare County
Tom Wheeler, Supervisor	Madera County

*Absent:*

Christina Fugazi, Vice Mayor	City of Stockton
Deborah Lewis, Councilmember	City of Los Banos
Monte Reyes, Councilmember, <b>Chair</b>	City of Porterville

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR – Item Numbers (10 - 14): *These matters are routine in nature and are usually approved by a single vote. Prior to any action by the board, the public was given the opportunity to comment on any consent item.*

10. ASSEMBLY BILL 361 AND DISTRICT REMOTE TELECONFERENCE UPDATE
11. APPROVE ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY UNIFIED AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEETING OF THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2022
12. RECEIVE AND FILE LIST OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS FOR 2022
13. RECEIVE AND FILE OPERATIONS STATISTICS SUMMARY FOR APRIL 2022
14. RECEIVE AND FILE BUDGET STATUS REPORTS AS OF APRIL 30, 2022

Public Comment: None

Moved: Pedersen

Seconded: Mendes

Ayes: Bessinger, Chiesa, Couch, Mendes, Pacheco-Werner, Pareira, Pedersen, Preciado, Rickman, Sherriffs, Shuklian, Wheeler

Nays: None

***Motion unanimously carried to approve Consent Calendar (Items 10-14)***

4. PUBLIC COMMENT – *The following persons provided public comments at this meeting:*
  - Connie Young, Citizens Climate Lobby (CCL)
5. REPORT ON DISTRICT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES – Manuel Cunha, Citizens Advisory Chair, reported on highlights from the CAC meeting held on May 3, 2022.
6. DISCUSS ADVOCACY FOR REDUCING MOBILE SOURCE EMISSIONS AND LEVERAGING NEW OPPORTUNITIES – Jon Klassen, Director of Air Quality Science, John Stagnaro, Director of Compliance, and Tom Jordan, Senior Policy Advisor, presented this item to discuss and consider direction on potential actions in support of advocacy for accelerated emissions reductions from federal mobile sources as needed to meet health-based federal ambient air quality standards.

Dr. Pacheco-Werner commented that as the District looks to leverage new opportunities that public engagement is a critical piece. She asked how the District will keep the public updated on all of the efforts as they are moving forward.

Mr. Sheikh responded that the purpose of the item is to have great discussion and information for the public to continue galvanizing the level of support. The District is actively communicating with cities and counties, other stakeholders about how more projects can be ready as funding opportunities are now emerging under some of the federal programs. The District is continuing looking for more opportunities in the media to get the message out and having the valley a region, a coalition.

Dr. Sherriffs said that it's great to see the partnerships and collaboration that is ongoing. One concern that he has is in regards to California's waiver. He asked if the District will play a role in supporting the waiver. Mr. Sheikh responded that the District has always pushed for mobile source reductions across many sectors and the ability for California to be able to adopt mobile source regulations. He highlighted that the District's primary position has consistently been focused on the need for national standards and mobile source reductions at the national level as this leads to faster acceptance of technology and a leveling of the playing field across the nation.

Public Comment: *The following persons commented on this item:*

- Connie Young, Citizens Climate Lobby

*Supervisor Couch left briefly at 12:05 p.m.*

7. VERBAL REPORT ON CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD ACTIVITIES – Dr. Pacheco-Werner reported on highlights of the CARB meetings on April 28, 2022, and a list of upcoming matters before CARB
8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/APCO COMMENTS – Mr. Sheikh announced the recent launch of the Clean Air Center grant program and encouraged entities to apply. In celebration of Asian American Pacific Islander Awareness month, Mr. Sheikh thanked all Asian American Pacific Islander community members for all their contributions to our communities.
9. GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS – Supervisor Pedersen thanked staff for all the hard work and efforts in processing tractor replacement grant projects. Dr. Sherriffs announced that he will not be to attend the June Board meeting and would like to make suggestion to have climate disruption be a topic for the Study Session. Mr. Preciado thanked District staff and the Board for all their hard work in working together to reduce emissions in the Central Valley.

## **ADJOURN**

*Vice Chair, Chiesa adjourned the meeting at 12:13 p.m.*

*The next scheduled meeting of the Governing Board is: Thursday, June 16, 2022. The meeting starts at 9:00 a.m., in the Central Region Office, Governing Board Room, 1990 E. Gettysburg Avenue, Fresno. The meeting will be held via Zoom audio and video teleconference (VTC).*