Action Summary Minutes

San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District

GOVERNING BOARD

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

Thursday, June 15, 2017 9:00 a.m.

Meeting held via teleconferencing with the Central Region Office (Fresno), the Northern Region Office (Modesto) and the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield).

This meeting was webcast.

- 1. <u>CALL MEETING TO ORDER</u> The Chair, Councilmember Baines, called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL was taken and a quorum was present.

Present:

David Ayers, Mayor
Oliver L. Baines III, Councilmember, Chair
David Couch, Supervisor**
Bob Elliott, Supervisor*
Buddy Mendes, Supervisor, Vice Chair
Lloyd Pareira, Supervisor*
Monte Reyes, Councilmember
Dr. Alexander Sherriffs
Chris Vierra, Mayor*
Tom Wheeler, Supervisor
J. Steven Worthley, Supervisor

City of Hanford
City of Fresno
Kern County
San Joaquin County
Fresno County
Merced County
City of Porterville
Appointed by Governor
City of Ceres
Madera County
Tulare County

Absent:

John Capitman, Ph.D. Christina Fugazi, Councilmember Kristin Olsen, Supervisor Craig Pedersen, Supervisor Appointed by Governor City of Stockton Stanislaus County Kings County

^{*} Attended meeting in Northern Region Office

^{**}Attended meeting in the Southern Region Office

- 3. <u>APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR Item Numbers (16 26)</u>: 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.
 - 16. <u>APPROVE ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN</u>
 <u>VALLEY UNIFIED AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT</u>
 <u>GOVERNING BOARD MEETING OF THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2017</u>
 - 17. <u>APPROVE ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL</u> <u>PUBLIC HEARING: REVIEW OF 2017-18 RECOMMENDED BUDGET</u> <u>OF THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2017</u>
 - 18. <u>APPROVE ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN</u>
 <u>VALLEY UNIFIED AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT</u>
 <u>GOVERNING BOARD MEETING OF THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2017</u>
 - 19. <u>RECEIVE AND FILE LIST OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS FOR 2017</u>
 - 20. <u>RECEIVE AND FILE OPERATIONS STATISTICS SUMMARIES FOR APRIL AND MAY 2017</u>
 - 21. <u>RECEIVE AND FILE BUDGET STATUS REPORTS AS OF MAY 31, 2017</u>
 - 22. <u>NO-COST CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH BGV INTERNATIONAL</u>
 <u>TO EXTEND TIMEFRAME FOR COMPLETION OF BAKERSFIELD</u>
 NEAR-ROAD AIR MONITORING SHELTER
 - 23. <u>APPOINT CENTRAL REGION HEARING BOARD ATTORNEY</u> <u>PRIMARY MEMBER</u>
 - 24. AMEND DISTRICT CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE
 - 25. <u>APPROVE RESOLUTION ADJUSTING BUDGET FOR THE STATE</u> PASS-THROUGH AIR TOXIC FEES

Public Comment: None

Moved: Mendes Seconded: Wheeler

Ayes: Ayers, Couch, Elliott, Mendes, Pareira,

Reyes, Sherriffs, Vierra, Wheeler, Worthley, Baines

Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Consent Calendar item numbers 16 - 26

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

5. ADOPT THE DISTRICT'S 2017-18 RECOMMENDED BUDGET – Seyed Sadredin, Executive Director/APCO, expressed his gratitude to the Board's Ad Hoc Budget Subcommittee for their guidance with the preparation of the 2017-18 Recommended Budget. He said at the meeting held on May 25, 2017, the Board received a detailed presentation on the Recommended Budget and received generally positive comments from the Board and public. By law, he said the Board could not take action until today's meeting and based on positive feedback received at that meeting from Board members and the public, staff recommended adoption of the Recommended Budget today.

Supervisor Wheeler thanked staff for the great presentation at last month's meeting saying it was very detailed and balanced, and made a motion to adopt the District's 2017-18 Recommended Budget. Supervisor Mendes seconded the motion.

Public Comment - None

Moved: Wheeler Seconded: Mendes

Ayes: Ayers, Couch, Elliott, Mendes, Pareira, Reyes,

Sherriffs, Vierra, Wheeler, Worthley, Baines

Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to adopt the District's 2017-18 Recommended Budget

- 6. REPORT ON DISTRICT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES Manuel Cunha, Chair of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC), reported on their meetings held on May 2, 2017 and June 6, 2017, including the following key items:
 - CAC members took unanimous action on an emergency agenda item to send a formal request to the Governor and State Legislature to consider including \$100 million in funding for the 2017-18 fiscal year budget and on-going annual appropriation thereafter to continue the clean-up of heavy-duty truck emissions in areas of the state that are classified as Extreme non-attainment for ozone or Serious non-attainment for PM2.5
 - CAC members expressed unanimous support for the District's applications under the Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program

7. ACCEPT \$217,799 IN REVENUE FOR THE CARL MOYER MEMORIAL AIR QUALITY STANDARDS ATTAINMENT PROGRAM FROM THE GREAT BASIN AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT - Mr. Sadredin said because of the guidance, direction and resources provided by the Governing Board, the grant programs administered by the District have a reputation for great effectiveness in reducing air pollution expeditiously and cost effectively. He said this has also been observed by many oversight agencies and outside groups. He under the Governing Board's leadership, the District has provided assistance to other air districts in California both in terms of running their grant programs for them as well as helping them with some of the more technical issues such as permitting or training for their staff. These relationships along with the great reputation of the District's grant program has lead several neighboring air districts to approach the District to either assist with the administration of their Carl Moyer Program funds or accept their unused funds as an alternative to sending those funds back to the state. The most consistent partnership the District has had is with the Great Basin Air Pollution Control District. Since 2008, the District has partnered with the Great Basin Air Pollution Control District on an annual basis to accept their yearly allotment of Carl Moyer funds. Consistent with prior years, Mr. Sadredin asked the Board to accept Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program funds in the amount of \$217,799 from the Great Basin APCD.

Public Comment - None

Moved: Worthley Seconded: Sherriffs

Ayes: Ayers, Couch, Elliott, Mendes, Pareira, Reyes,

Sherriffs, Vierra, Wheeler, Worthley, Baines

Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to accept \$217,799 in revenue for the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program from the Great Basin Air Pollution Control District

8. APPROVE VOLUNTARY EMISSION REDUCTION AGREEMENT WITH MG3
PARTNERS LLC TO FUND MITIGATION OF AIR QUALITY IMPACTS FROM
TRACT 6759 OF THE PROPOSED ASHE ROAD AND TAFT HIGHWAY
RESIDENTAL PROJECT IN BAKERSFIELD – Dave Warner, Deputy APCO,
presented this item which asked the Board to approve and authorize the Chair to
sign a Voluntary Emission Reduction Agreement with MG3 Partners LLC to
receive funds in the amount of \$1,425,105 to mitigate air quality impacts from
Tract 6759 of the proposed Ashe Road and Taft Highway Residential Project in
Bakersfield.

Public Comment - None

Dr. Sherriffs asked how many years the NOx emissions would be mitigated. Mr. Warner responded that the District mitigates those emissions for ten years.

Moved: Wheeler Seconded: Mendes

Ayes: Ayers, Couch, Elliott, Mendes, Pareira, Reyes,

Sherriffs, Vierra, Wheeler, Worthley, Baines

Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Voluntary Emission Reduction Agreement with MG3 Partners, LLC

9. ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE \$925,521 IN STATE CARL MOYER PROGRAM STATE RESERVE PROJECT FUNDING AND REALLOCATE \$271,187 IN MOYER MULTI-DISTRICT PROGRAM FUNDING TO REPLACE AGING VALLEY SCHOOL BUSES – Mr. Sadredin explained that he was bringing this item before the Board in response to requests made at a recent Board meeting by several Valley school districts for additional funding to replace and retrofit aging Valley school buses to comply with state and local rules. He said District staff agreed with and had sympathy for their concerns, but in terms of shifting existing dollars, the District did not believe that was the most efficient and cost effective solution. Instead, the District in partnership with schools, pursued new funding sources.

He said staff remains committed to find new funding sources that are targeting these types of projects and that will have a positive impact on the health of Valley school children. Towards that end, he recommended that the Board accept \$925,521 from the ARB 2017 Carl Moyer Program State Reserve Project Solicitation to replace eligible school buses in the San Joaquin Valley and reallocate \$271,187 in Carl Moyer Truck Improvement Modernization Benefitting Emission Reductions (TIMBER) Program funding originally targeting logging trucks to replace additional eligible school buses in the Valley.

Supervisor Worthley asked if the school districts would be required to provide matching funds. Mr. Sadredin responded this program as set by ARB identifies how much funding will be provided to each district and the dollar amount they will be required to match. Supervisor Worthley commented this is a really great program and he appreciated efforts by staff to find additional funding to meet the needs of the school districts. Councilmember Reyes commended staff for their responsiveness to this important issue.

Public Comment – The following persons commented on this item:

Kevin Hamilton, Central California Asthma Collaborative

Moved: Worthley Seconded: Sherriffs

Ayes: Ayers, Couch, Elliott, Mendes, Pareira, Reyes,

Sherriffs, Vierra, Wheeler, Worthley, Baines

Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to accept and appropriate \$925,521 in state Carl Moyer Program state reserve project funding and reallocate \$271,187 in Moyer Multi-District Program funding to replace aging Valley school buses

10. APPROVE CONTRACT WITH GOMEZ RESEARCH TO CONDUCT A

BILINGUAL SCIENTIFIC SURVEY REGARDING RESIDENTIAL WOOD

BURNING IN THE VALLEY – Mr. Sadredin introduced Jessica Olsen, Air Quality
Analysis and Research Supervisor, who presented this item which asked the
Board to approve and authorize the Chair to sign a contract with Gomez
Research in the amount of \$65,767 to conduct a bilingual scientific survey
regarding residential wood burning in the Valley.

Dr. Sherriffs commended Ms. Olsen on her presentation. He suggested conducting the survey by mail might be more effective than a telephone survey. Sophia Gomez, Principal at Gomez Research, responded that a telephone survey is considered the gold standard for public opinion research and said the response rates for mail surveys are lower. She added that the problem with emailed surveys is that it is hard to get a random sample. Dr. Sherriffs asked if the survey was large enough to get really meaningful data and asked about the variation of results. Ms. Gomez said the margin of error varies depending upon the question and the number of people who fit into that category. She added the sample sizes are significant and the District would be able to draw reliable conclusions overall from the survey. Dr. Sherriffs observed that the demographics would be very different amongst residents in the valley, rural areas and the foothills. Ms. Olsen responded that the hope is that random dialing for the first 1,000 surveys should provide a good mix of responses from residents across each area. She said the subsequent 600 surveys would be conducted in the targeted areas of Fresno and Bakersfield.

Supervisor Wheeler suggested additional verbiage for the questions regarding wood burning habits and suggested adding Madera County to the sampling area. He said it is very important that the language of the survey questions be carefully considered. Mr. Sadredin responded that one of the potential strategies that staff is investigating in regards to attaining the PM2.5 standard is the targeting of regulatory measures and incentive funding such as the further restriction of wood burning in areas surrounding the air monitoring locations reporting the highest concentrations. He said at the September Governing Board Study Session, staff will ask the Board to take a closer look at a strategic, targeted approach under which enhanced regulatory and incentive-based strategies would be deployed in the geographic areas in the Valley that are driving non-attainment. Supervisor

Wheeler commented that the areas with the worst air pollution are the most important.

Supervisor Worthley said he was very concerned about any question that would ask if the public would support a total ban on wood burning devices. He said his concern is that a survey does not only gather information, but also communicates the same. He said that message would be a lightning rod to residents who may assume that the District is considering a total ban. He suggested it might be a good option to only subsidize wood burning devices that convert to a natural gas appliance in urban areas where there is access to natural gas. He maintained the District's survey should stay away from mentioning a total ban on wood burning devices, saying the Board has always made it a priority to protect the local economy as well as the rights of Valley residents. He added it is not a good idea for the government to set rules that people will disobey. He said he felt very strongly about avoiding that type of question, which sends a mixed message as the District has encouraged residents to invest in clean burning devices.

Supervisor Pareira said he was supportive of gathering the information and asked if the 1,600 samples planned would include enough residents who are currently burning wood to gather accurate data. He suggested residents might be asked if they knew of a friend or relative who used a wood burning device, and then those residents could be added to the data. Ms. Olsen said the District's last survey sampled 1,000 people and there were hundreds of people who used wood burning devices. She said there was not a large enough sample to get a good idea of actual wood burning behaviors, which is why staff added a second group of 600 residents who reside in zip codes with a higher likelihood of wood burning device users. Mr. Sadredin suggested that the additional 600 surveys could be used to sample those who have wood burning behaviors. Ms. Gomez responded that adding additional filters for the survey could result in increased costs to the District. She said a sample of 100 surveys has a margin of error of plus or minus 10. She noted that some of the targeted zip codes are believed to have a wood burning ratio of 80 to 90 percent.

Mr. Sadredin said staff hoped that the survey would find that based on the District's public education and regulatory efforts, many Valley residents have decided to eliminate wood burning habits altogether. He said a lower proportion of wood burning respondents may not necessarily mean the sample is deficient but that the public's behavior has changed. He said it is important to have a general sampling area across the board that gives the flavor of what is going on.

Mayor Vierra voiced agreement with Supervisor Worthley's comments. He said he truly believes that participants might not answer subsequent questions honestly if the first question they were asked was if they would support a ban on wood burning. He also said he suspected the surveyors will receive different answers based on generational sampling and said determining the demographics of the sample group would be valuable. He said it is important to keep the end goal of the survey in mind and said based on results of the survey the District could either do nothing, or do something more restrictive. He said it would be a

good idea to preface the survey as data collection and not something that would automatically put participants on the defensive.

Mr. Sadredin responded there are two primary objectives for the survey, besides the inventory of activities and number of units. First, to assess what else can be done to make sure the District has exhausted all avenues to reach residents who still burn and want to replace their devices with cleaner burning units, and second to assess if there are any effective means of making the District's already tough wood burning rule even tougher. The purpose of that question is to assess what type of rule can be put in place to help change wood burning behavior. He said there could be a recommendation that gives those who have already invested in clean burning devices more opportunities to burn. He added that the Board has never developed rules simply based on what stakeholders like and don't like. He said the survey was designed to be probative enough to give meaningful answers and given that the District's wood burning rule is the toughest in the nation, it is possible that there are no further opportunities to add further restrictions. He said staff would like to get a complete picture of the public's sentiments from this survey, in terms of what rule would be enforceable and taking into account public response.

Councilmember Reyes voiced appreciation for the clarification and also for Supervisor Worthley's comments. He said there are a lot of residents who burn wood in his jurisdiction and said he looked forward to hearing the survey results. Supervisor Elliott voiced support for Supervisor Worthley's comments. He said the type of answer will be skewed somewhat based on whether the participant burns wood or not. He said a total ban on wood burning would go against the grain of individual rights. He said if that type of question were to be asked in the survey, it should be tailored along the lines of what additional degrees of controls would be acceptable to decrease the adverse health effects of wood burning. He said he would be reluctant to support anything that said the District may enact a total ban on wood burning. Supervisor Mendes said he agrees with Supervisor Worthley's comments, noting the purpose of the survey is mainly to gather information and to decide if it is useful or worthless.

Dr. Sherriffs suggested increasing the dollar amount allocated to make the survey more comprehensive. Mr. Sadredin suggested the Board could give the APCO the authority to increase the dollar amount allocated if the case could be made that doing so would improve the margin of error and include more tailored questions to increase the sample size of the survey. He reminded Board members that time is of the essence in conducting the survey given the statutory deadlines the District faces with respect to national PM2.5 standards. Dr. Sherriffs added that he did not wish to delay the survey by any means. Supervisor Worthley responded that he would support giving the APCO additional discretion for the allocated dollar amount, and said that concentrated efforts to contact in areas where wood burning occurs regularly should get a very good response. Mr. Sadredin said the District may need to increase the sample size for some of the questions involving specific information that is pertinent to a smaller portion of the sample group.

Supervisor Couch asked if the Board would be able to review the questions before the survey was conducted. Mr. Sadredin responded it would be difficult as the next Board meeting is August 17, 2017. Supervisor Wheeler asked if the questions could be emailed to the Board. Chairman Baines voiced support for that suggestion. Citing a potential Brown Act issue, Mr. Sadredin suggested appointing an ad hoc committee and giving them the authority to act on the Board's behalf with regard to approving survey questions. Supervisor Couch asked if there would be any question in the survey with regard to increasing the length of the Check Before You Burn season. Mr. Sadredin responded no, but staff is currently assessing the possibility of increasing the length of the season. Supervisor Couch and Supervisor Wheeler volunteered to serve on the ad hoc committee.

Chairman Baines commented that he believes a smaller sample size concentrated in the Fresno and Bakersfield areas would work. Additionally, he suggested conducting the survey in Punjabi and Hmong languages in addition to Spanish. Ms. Gomez responded that adding additional languages would increase the cost. Chairman Baines agreed and said the District is trying to get reliable information from as much of the local population as they can. He asked how much time would be spent educating survey participants on the air quality challenges faced by the District. Ms. Gomez responded that there is generally not an education component built into the survey, as they want a sample that is representative of the general population and what information they believe to be true or already know.

Chairman Baines said he does not agree that the survey should not ask certain questions. He said the Board has publicly discussed and considered a ban on wood burning due to the serious threat that this air basin is under with its air quality standards. He said we should not be afraid to ask the question as the public needs to know what the Board is talking about. He said it could serve as a catalyst to help the public become aware of the sense of gravity of the situation in the Valley and the subsequent considerations. He said the information may spread like wildfire and it could be a good thing as the public will understand when more air quality regulations come about. He said this information is necessary for the Board to make wise choices and they need to know exactly what the public thinks. He said over the years, this Board has had to ask difficult questions and take tough actions. He also said he felt that up to a 1% change in the margin of error could be significant and he would support increasing the dollar amount.

Mr. Sadredin clarified his understanding that some Board members may be concerned about beginning the survey with a question on a possible total ban on wood but suggested including the question, along with supplemental questions on residents' wood burning habits would be helpful to the Board. As one of the many factors and tradeoffs that the Board would need to consider when adopting the District's attainment plan, including other options that may require businesses to spend hundreds of millions of dollars more to achieve reductions. Chairman

Baines said he personally did not need to review the questions, as he is not 100% confident in his ability to decide the best questions to ask in the survey. He also voiced support for forming an ad hoc committee to review the survey questions and said educating the public on the question, during the question is the right approach.

Chairman Baines asked for volunteers for the ad hoc committee. Supervisor Couch, Supervisor Wheeler, Supervisor Mendes and Supervisor Worthley volunteered to serve on the ad hoc committee. Mr. Sadredin said it is his understanding that the survey would include the question about support for a total ban on wood burning, and the ad hoc committee would craft additional questions to help get the best representation possible. Chairman Baines said he would like the committee to work with the firm and staff and offer input on behalf of the Board on how questions are framed, and then allow the firm to conduct the survey.

Supervisor Wheeler made a motion to approve the staff recommendation with the addition of appointing an ad hoc committee and allowing the APCO to adjust the dollars allocated for the survey if needed. District Counsel Annette Ballatore-Williamson asked if there were a threshold for the allocation. Supervisor Wheeler responded his motion would be to allocate additional funding for the survey if needed up to a total of \$100 thousand. Dr. Sherriffs asked for clarification of the authority of the ad hoc committee and stated his belief that it should have an advisory role to the firm and staff and not craft the questions. Chairman Baines said he hoped forming the committee would address Board members' concerns about the questions and members would offer input to the firm and staff on how questions are crafted. Supervisor Wheeler suggested the question relating to a ban on wood burning should be asked and the ad hoc committee could draft supplemental questions to make the information clear. Chairman Baines said if the initial concept of the survey changes in any way then it has to come back to the Board for consideration.

Supervisor Worthley said the majority of the Board members who spoke do not want to ask the question about a total ban on wood burning. He said not asking that question should be a part of Supervisor Wheeler's motion. Chairman Baines suggested the Board should vote on whether or not to ask the question on the total ban on wood burning. Supervisor Wheeler said he does not support leaving that question out, he just wanted to make sure the language was clear and the question would be asked towards the end of the survey. Ms. Ballatore-Williamson suggested that if Supervisor Worthley wanted to amend Supervisor Wheeler's motion to exclude or include the specific question then he could do so. Supervisor Worthley made a motion to amend Supervisor Wheeler's motion to include the omission of the question asking survey participants if they would support a total ban on wood burning.

Public Comment – The following persons commented on this item:

Kevin Hamilton, Central California Asthma Coalition (CCAC)

• Thomas Manz, Fresno Resident

Kevin Abernathy, Dairy Cares

Moved: Worthley Seconded: Vierra

Ayes: Ayers, Couch, Elliott, Mendes,

Reyes, Vierra, Worthley

Nays: Pareira, Sherriffs, Wheeler, Baines

Motion to approve staff recommendations, appoint an ad hoc committee to review the survey questions, give the APCO discretion to allocate up to \$32 thousand in additional funding for the survey, and omit the survey question asking if participants would support a total ban on wood burning did not pass by a vote of 7-4

Mr. Sadredin clarified that action by the Governing Board required an affirmative vote from eight members to pass. He also clarified that the purpose of the ad hoc committee would be to fine tune the questions with a particular focus on the question about a ban on wood burning and any accompanying questions. He said staff understands the Board members' concerns and would take them into account. Councilmember Baines said the concerns have been fully vetted out and the ad hoc committee will review and offer input but the survey will include that question. Supervisor Wheeler restated his motion to approve staff recommendations, appoint an ad hoc committee to review the survey questions including the guestion about a total ban on wood burning, and give the APCO discretion to allocate up to \$32 thousand in additional funding to increase sample size if beneficial for the survey. Supervisor Worthley suggested not including the specific question in the motion, but allow the ad hoc committee to review and provide input into the final questions. Councilmember Reves asked if it would compromise the integrity of that question to provide a range of answers. Ms. Gomez responded that the key to that question is that it is not too leading, and doesn't offend or alienate anyone. She said those structures are all options.

Moved: Wheeler Seconded: Baines

Ayes: Ayers, Couch, Elliott, Mendes, Pareira, Reyes,

Sherriffs, Vierra, Wheeler, Worthley, Baines

Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve staff recommendations, appoint an ad hoc committee to review the survey questions including the question about a total ban on wood burning, and give the APCO discretion to adjust the budget up to \$100 thousand in additional funding for the survey as needed

Mayor Vierra left at 11:09 a.m.

11. ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE \$3,000,000 IN CAP AND TRADE FUNDS FROM THE CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD TO FUND AN AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT TRADE-UP PROGRAM – Todd DeYoung, Program Manager, gave the presentation on this item which asked the Board to accept \$3,000,000 in Cap and Trade funds from the California Air Resources Board (ARB) to fund the District's Agricultural Equipment Trade-Up Program.

Public Comment - None

Moved: Mendes Seconded: Wheeler

Ayes: Ayers, Elliott, Mendes, Reyes,

Sherriffs, Wheeler, Worthley, Baines

Nays: None Abstain: Pareira

Motion carried 8-0 with 1 abstention to accept and appropriate \$3,000,000 in Cap and Trade funds from the California Air Resources Board to fund an agricultural equipment trade-up program

12. ENHANCED GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR YOUTH AND SCHOOL
OUTREACH PROGRAMS AND NEW IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH—Jaime
Holt, Chief Communications Officer presented this item which asked the Board to
review and approve enhanced goals and objectives for the District's youth and
school outreach programs, and authorize a new implementation approach for the
enhanced youth and school outreach programs with the District performing the
core program functions while outsourcing certain tasks as needed.

Dr. Sherriffs commented about the difficulty in changing behaviors as he experiences the same in his medical practice. He suggested leveraging a variety of activities aimed at youth in the Valley, as air quality may not be a high priority for many school districts. He asked for input from Mr. Hamilton with Central California Asthma Collaborative (CCAC) on the challenges they experienced with this program. Stating that job has been both a joy and a curse at the same time, Mr. Hamilton thanked the Board and staff for the opportunity to do this work and said he looked forward to continuing to share program information with the District. Chairman Baines commented it is typically a good thing to bring programs in house when possible. He said he has a lot of confidence in District staff and believed they would do a great job with this program.

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

- Kevin Hamilton, CCAC
- Destiny Rodriguez, CCAC
- Angela Islas, CCAC

Moved: Wheeler Seconded: Worthley

Ayes: Ayers, Couch, Elliott, Mendes, Pareira,

Reyes, Sherriffs, Wheeler, Worthley, Baines

Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve enhanced goals and objectives for youth and school outreach programs and new implementation approach.

- 13. <u>VERBAL REPORT ON AIR RESOURCES BOARD ACTIVITIES</u> Dr. Sherriffs reported on highlights from the ARB Board meetings of April 27, 2017 and May 25, 2017, including:
 - On April 27th, the Board approved and adopted updates to the San Joaquin Valley PM10 Maintenance Plan; approved the Proposed 2017-18 Research Plan; and, approved changes to the Carl Moyer incentive grant program through the adoption of the 2017 Carl Moyer Program Guidelines
 - On May 25th, the Board received an update on the District's Moderate
 Area State Implementation Plan for the 2012 federal PM2.5 annual
 standard, which was tabled in October 2016 to allow for additional public
 process and the identification of additional measures to reduce mobile
 source and stationary emissions in the pre-2025 timeframe.
- 14. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/APCO COMMENTS Mr. Sadredin reminded Board members that there would be no Governing Board meeting during the month of July and their next meeting would be on August 17, 2017. In addition, he reminded members of the 2017 Governing Board Study Session to be held on September 20-21, 2017 at Bass Lake. He also said the District received a request from ARB to possibly hold their November and December Governing Board meetings at the District due to construction in their Board Room. He said there is no date conflict with the District's meeting in December, but their requested November date is in direct conflict with the District's tentatively scheduled meeting on November 16th. By consensus, the Board agreed to cancel their tentative meeting scheduled on November 16, 2017.
- 15. GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS Dr. Sherriffs thanked Supervisor Mendes for attending a recent event in Fowler to celebrate the free standing solar powered electric vehicle chargers that are now located in every rural city in Fresno County. He also reported the City of Porterville was awarded a \$9 million grant from ARB Cap and Trade funds to electrify their public transit system, including buses and jobs in terms of manufacturing and final assembly of the buses. He said he was looking forward to the day when the District can help fund electric school buses manufactured in the Valley. Councilmember Reyes said the City of Porterville is looking forward to the creation of more jobs for Valley residents with the new electric bus projects.

ADJOURN

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

NO GOVERNING BOARD MEETING IN JULY. The next scheduled meeting of the Governing Board is: <u>Thursday, August 17, 2017</u>. 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 video teleconference (VTC) with the Northern Region Office (Modesto) and the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) participating via VTC.