

**CONFORMED AGENDA  
REGULAR MEETING  
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
6425 MAIN STREET, GEORGETOWN, CA,  
TUESDAY, March 10, 2015  
6:00 P.M.**

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

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It is the purpose of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District to:

- Provide reliable water supplies
  - Ensure high quality drinking water
  - Promote stewardship to protect community resources, public health and quality of life
  - Provide excellent and responsive customer services through dedicated and valued staff
  - Insure fiscal responsibility and accountability are observed by balancing immediate and long term needs
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**1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** *Call meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Directors Present: Krizl, Hoelscher, Capraun, Hanschild, Uso. Staff Present: General Manager Wendell Wall, Operations Manager Darrell Creeks, Erik Jacoby. General Counsel Tom Hallinan with Churchwell-White*

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**A.** *Board Action Motion to Amend and adopt the Agenda so item 9 can be placed after item 4, approval of minute by Director Capraun,, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Uso. Public Comment: None. Vote: Motion Carries 5 Ayes (Krizl, Hoelscher, Capraun, Hanschild, Uso)*

**3. PUBLIC FORUM** – Any member of the public may address the Board on any matter within the jurisdictional authority of the District. Public members desiring to provide comments must be recognized by the Board President, and speak from the podium. Comments must be directed only to the Board. The public should address the Board members during the public meetings as President, Vice President, or Director followed by the Board members individual last name. The Board will hear communications on matters not on the agenda, but no action will be taken.

No disruptive conduct shall be permitted at any Board meeting. Persistence in disruptive conduct shall be grounds for summary termination, by the President, of that person's privilege of address.  
*None tonight*

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A.** Regular Meeting of February 10, 2015

**B.** Special Meeting of February 26, 2015

**C.** Board Action to approve and file minutes. *Motion to receive and file the minutes for February 10, 2015, by Director Uso, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Hanschild, Public Comment: None, Vote: Motion Carries 4 Ayes (Hoelscher, Capraun, Hanschild, Uso) 1 Abstention (Krizl). Motion to receive and file the minutes for February 26, 2015 by Director Uso, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Hanschild, Public Comment: None, Vote: Motion Carries 5 Ayes (Krizl, Hoelscher, Capraun, Hanschild, Uso).*

## 5. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- A. Accounts Payable for March 2015
- B. Expense Summary for January 2015
- C. Cash and Investment Reports for January 2015
- D. Board Action to accept and adopt financial reports *GM Wendell Wall has no comments. Director Hoelscher wants to know about the \$16,000 check that was drawn on the El Dorado Savings account: particularly, who provided the second signature. GM Wendell Wall believes that President Krizl may have signed the check that was from LAIF. Director Hoelscher is concerned that the check for \$16,000 is over the \$10,000 limit that, to go beyond, requires Board Approval. He does not recall providing approval. GM Wendell Wall explains that it was "basically LAIF" and it was basically transferring money which is what it basically was. And he can go back further and look at the past interim GM. Director Capraun clarifies that the check in question was drawn on the El Dorado Savings account. GM Wendell Wall concurs that the check was drawn on the El Dorado Savings account. GM Wendell Wall explains that the \$16,000 was to get a secured Credit Card from Wells Fargo. When he went to Wells Fargo to set up the account, he was turned away because government agencies do not qualify for that type of account. The check was subsequently voided and the funds remain in El Dorado Savings. Director Hoelscher is concerned that the check was written before Board approval had been sought. He feels that oversight of assets is one of the responsibilities of the Board. He also has questions about signers on the LAIF account: When all names were listed as signers on the LAIF account on the 13<sup>th</sup> of January, why, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> of January, were all signers except GM Wendell Wall and Director Krizl removed? GM Wendell Wall says that that did not happen and he addresses the yellow out and the fact that he does not use yellow out for anything. He explains that Stephanie in the office failed to have Director Otermat and Director McLane removed off the original one and, that's where the problem basically came in. They were not removed off of there and another one was basically submitted with them removed off there and the new Board members basically on there. But if you look at LAIF, and I also shared with Director Otermat.. not Director Otermat but Director Capraun that there clearly is an ordinance that speaks of LAIF; 94-02 clearly says that the President and the GM can basically sign off on transfers from LAIF. There is a discussion about 94-02 and whether it is a State ordinance or a Board ordinance. There is additional discussion of the LAIF document dated January 22 which superseded all previous documents. GM Wendell Wall indicates that he will get the Board the original document. Director Capraun is concerned that, with the exception of the El Dorado Savings account, Board notification of financial activity that occurs on other District accounts takes place months after the transactions occur. She is also concerned that the accountant, Vaughn Johnson, is not communicating effectively with the Board. The accountant has transferred money to fund depleted accounts (retiree healthcare). These transfers are taking place without justification of how much and why. This lack of communication, both material and timely, creates a situation where the Board cannot exercise effective and adequate oversight. She feels that the Board needs to take charge and be responsible for the money. It is the Board's responsibility to watch the money, and, if the Board is not being provided with information, what good are we? Director Capraun asks Director Krizl about the particulars of the January 22<sup>nd</sup> document and its approval by him. Director Krizl could not recall if he was aware that he was removing the other Directors as signers on the LAIF account. GM Wendell Wall says, "me either". When Director Krizl asked Director Capraun when the document was signed, Director Capraun replied, "the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January". Director Uso interjects that, what needs to happen is we need to get another form with all of us signing and to fix this... sure it was some kind of oversight and "it is wonderful that you were able to find it". Also, the GM can transfer funds which is what happened with that \$16,000. He would have come back to the Board, which he did, to talk to us about that*

credit card thing and the \$16,000. Then, (to Director Hoelscher) the \$10,000 limit is for spending money, not for transferring money, that's a different issue all together, so it does not apply to this. But this, I don't like, I honestly don't like to see that, personally. This needs to be resolved immediately. GM Wendell Wall says that he would not have purposely removed anyone off of an account though he feels that it could have been an oversight on his part and he wants to find the other document. Director Uso explains to GM Wendell Wall that, the document removes all the Directors as signers on the account and that needs to be resolved immediately. Finance committee member Ray Kringel asks if 2 signatures are required on a check and Directors respond "yes". Additionally, he asks if anyone on the Board can sign? GM Wendell Wall and a number of Directors respond with an affirmation. Director Hoelscher wants to know about the details of the Chase Credit Card account. GM Wendell Wall explains that we are still using the Chase Card that Former Interim GM George Sanders made available but we are close to acquiring one from Wells Fargo. Former Interim GM George Sanders indicates that the Chase Credit Card is in his name and he has complete confidence in the staff to make charges on his account. Additionally, he is aware of how staff conducts business and he has no issue with it. Director Capraun discusses paying credit card bills by check and that sending payments as checks are issued would eliminate late fees.

Motion to receive and file financial reports by Director Uso 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Hoelscher.

Public Comment: None. Vote: Motion Carries 5 Ayes (Krizl, Hoelscher, Capraun, Hanschild, Uso).

6. **PRESIDENTS REPORT** Director Krizl has concerns that discussions from closed session are being shared publically outside of closed session. A closed session agenda item on Retiree Benefits (reading the closed session agenda item) was discussed in closed session during the February 26, 2015 meeting. Since that meeting, the Board has received an email from past Board Member Bonnie McClane with talking points from the closed session item. A day later, the same content was in an email from Kathy Otermat that came to the GM, to Director Capraun, to Director Krizl and to our legal counsel. Director Krizl feels that it is bad that closed session content is being shared outside of closed session. He feels that It's particularly bothersome that a past director is sending correspondence directly to our District's legal counsel. We pay good money for legal review and it is inappropriate that a past Board member would be costing the District legal costs to review their personal emails. Legal Counsel Tom Hallinan concurs with Director Krizl about closed sessions and states that it is illegal to share closed session items outside of closed session. Director Capraun produces a document that was sent to them and she feels that Director Krizl said something to her in closed session that was not true. She got verification from past Board members concerning a past closed session that had occurred while Bonnie McLane and Kathy Otermat were Board members to verify that. Director Capraun and Director Krizl have a discussion about a difference of opinion that occurred in closed session and that it cannot be discussed here in open session. Director Krizl reiterates that District funds should not be used to compensate the District's legal counsel to review documents provided by members of the public.
7. **BOARD REPORTS** Director Capraun indicates that she will be attending a meeting of a water agency tomorrow and SMUD will be giving a cloud seeding presentation. Director Hoelscher wants to know where cloud seeding is occurring. Director Capraun explains that the seeding is occurring in the Tahoe Basin area. Bill Johnson of Greenwood knows that seeding results in more precipitation and more water and could be a good idea for the District. Director Capraun reads the email referenced in the President's Report (Item 6): "Hi, Kathy and Bonnie. Could you confirm for the present Board that I had permission from the Board to contact the attorney to review our health care ordinance?" That's all I said. That was it. Director Uso reports that he and GM Wendell Wall are almost ready to submit a final MOU for the unions. It can move forward when our legal counsel gets back to us with reference to the wording for the union 1

MOU. Director Krizl thanks Dennis Goodenow for his thoughtful letters to the editor about the District's operations and about micro management. With respect to the labor negotiations, Director Uso wants to thank staff for their mindfulness and cooperation and he feels that it speaks highly to the character of the staff.

8. **GENERAL MANAGER REPORT** GM Wendell Wall introduces OM Darrell Creeks. OM Darrell Creeks discusses water production at the treatment plants and compares it to prior periods. The waste disposal system is addressed. As of 3/4/2015 the Stumpy Meadows Reservoir level is 12,117 Acre Feet (61% full). He also indicates that the inflow and outflow are almost equal. If we don't start getting some rain, the reservoir level will begin to drop. Director Krizl asks for clarification on the 4cfs required outflow. Former Interim GM George Sanders discusses flow in and out of the lake indicating that 2cfs are required for the fish release downstream. He also discusses the release of water with respect to the production of power. GM Wendell Wall reads from the General Manager's Report, first, on the Sandtrap Hydroelectric funding; then, on Drought Funding. Next on the Drought Meeting; and finally, on Proposition 218. After the reading, he elaborated on the Proposition 218 reading to indicate that the finance committee met yesterday and progress was made with respect to moving forward with a surcharge and commodity rate based on usage of water. He wants to schedule a special meeting next week to continue to move the Proposition 218 process forward. Director Krizl asks if the GM wants to set the meeting up now or wait until more detail is obtained. GM Wendell Wall concurs that maybe it would be best to wait and send an email in the next couple of days to set up a meeting for next week. Director Uso feels that the sooner the Proposition 218 process can move forward, the better. Director Uso is losing patience with the progress of plant building and is concerned about interest rates going up. Director Capraun indicates that the plant construction needs to go out to bid. Once that happens, the proposition 218 process can happen simultaneously. GM Wendell Wall discusses tank inspections conducted by the Utility Service Group. We are still waiting for the formal final report but they did come to the District and provided a Power Point presentation attended by OM Darrell Creeks and himself. According to the presentation, there are 4 tanks in dire need of recoating, while the other 7 tanks are in pretty good shape. Two of the tanks in need of repair are 200,000 gallon tanks and are located at the Walton treatment plant. The last tank recoating cost the District roughly \$150,000 per tank. The tanks in need of recoating are smaller tanks than the ones we had recoated previously; so it probably would not cost as much. The tanks at Spanish Dry Diggins and at Kelsey are in pretty bad shape as well. Though he is not asking for funding at this time, he wanted the Board to know about the condition and, if funding is available, he would target the 4 tanks that are in need of repair. Director Uso asks for a cost estimate for the tank repairs. Director Hoelscher wants to know if we will be obtaining 3 bids. GM Wendell Wall feels that the ideal time to proceed with the recoating would be in the fall or winter since the tanks will need to be emptied before work can begin. GM Wendell Wall reads the part of the GM report titled, "Financials for the First Six months of Fiscal Year 2014-15." Director Capraun questions where we are with respect to the letter that is required to request our SMUD funding. "Have you sent that letter out yet?" Former Interim GM George Sanders responds that the letter has not been sent to the county and the county has the money. Director Capraun indicates that we need to send the letter out to the county to retrieve our money from SMUD. Former Interim GM George Sanders verifies with Director Capraun that the letter would need to be sent to the chief administrative office. Again, Director Capraun suggests that the funds for retiree health care that the District receives from the retirees need to be accounted for in non-operating revenue or accounted for somewhere. She is concerned because those funds are not being accounted for here. She is particularly bothered by this issue because that account has been depleted and funds are being received from the retirees but are not being accounted for. Those funds need to be included in the financials. During Finance Committee meetings, she has asked the CPA Vaughn Johnson to do this. Former Interim GM George Sanders responds that he remembers that conversation, and he does remember that she brought it up. We will have to work with the

CPA Vaughn Johnson to get that identified in these reports because I don't see anything before me that I can use to discuss diligently with you; but, I do remember that request on your part. Director Capraun and GM Wendell Wall thank Former Interim GM George Sanders. GM Wendell Wall explains that the post card bills are going away for the April billing cycle and there will be a return envelope included with the invoice. Additionally, he explains that the bills will be "self stuffed". It will go through the Biz Hub (currently a Konica Minolta Bizhub C284e Multifunction printer) and all the processes will be done for us. Director Capraun wants to know about cost. GM Wendell Wall explains that the cost is minimal. And it's more staff friendly, modernizing equipment, expediting the process. We have an old printer that is (makes printing noise) that works off of XP that can't work off of Windows 8 or Windows 7 or Windows 8.1 unless you can go and kind of dig up the driver from somewhere. But, its modernizing the office, that's what the real aim is. Bill Johnson of Greenwood wants to know how many people pay their bills electronically? He thinks that the new billing return envelope may be a waste of money. OM Darrell Creeks guesses that about 2% of customers would use the envelope "hardly anybody uses it". Given the use rate, Bill Johnson feels that the pre-printed return envelope is a waste of money and wants the information on payment methods. Director Uso assures Mr. Johnson that "we will certainly find that out for you" and goes on to explain that many people he has spoken with like the idea of the new billing system. He feels that payments will come back sooner because of the pre-printed return envelopes. Bill Johnson reiterates that he would like the figures on how many people send payments back through the post office vs. electronically vs. in person. GM Wendell Wall responds that he will get him that information. GM Wendell references the Special Thanks to Staff portion of GM report and highlights the letter the District received. Director Uso states that the letter was from Elizabeth Sorenson and he additionally had someone verbally come to him and wanted him to come and thank staff for sending this young man out. He was very helpful to her, one of his neighbors. Director Capraun indicates that staff probably has numerous letters in the files, though. OM Darrell Creeks responds "some in there". From the written GM report, GM Wendell Wall discusses the troublesome item of "After-Hours" Activation of Service and reads the item. He interjects that in his 25 years of experience in the water industry, it is unheard of to have staff collect funds in this way. Also, there are many difficulties created for staff from this situation and some particulars are discussed. He discusses a recent experience an employee had. Director Uso asks GM Wendell Wall to bring forth a policy. Director Hoelscher feels that this is a safety issue and should not be occurring. OM Darrell Creeks discusses experiences of staff. GM Wendell Wall is concerned that there is only one Sheriff up here to come find you. He has concerns. Director Capraun discusses why accepting cash in this way is problematic and she understands. Director Krizl asks for a description of how staff would like this laid out. Director Uso also wants a policy that the Board can review. Finance committee member Ray Kringel explains that other water service providers have a 48 hour policy and we better have a plan. GM Wendell Wall explains that people are really late in paying when they get turned off.

## **9. PRESENTATION BY MC ENGINEERING – METER EFFICIENCY**

- A. Discussion – Review of materials provided in presentation. After the presentation by Mark Carey of MC Engineering; Director Capraun relays that Kyle had explained to her that replacement of meters is important. Former Interim GM George Sanders has a question about the "1 point million dollar capital outlay." 1.5 million: "What would that provide? Would that be a completely new meter replacement together with the leak detection, the reading, all that type of stuff? What type of hardware would the District see?" Mark Carey, the presenter states that, at the minimum, it would provide a new radio on each meter at approximately \$135 per unit. Then, cost would depend on whether installation took place with staff, or with a contractor. The price could go up or down depending on how you do that. Then, there is reading hardware; the drive-by hardware. Then, you have billing software. And then, some meters that need to be replaced. He feels that we should pursue bids so, when grants become available, we

are ready to move forward with the grant applications. Director Uso asks about the cost to replace all our meters if we were a regulated utility as he would prefer to see accurate meter readings. He further asks GM Wendell Wall about the CABY grant. Director Capraun interjects and discusses other grants that are available. Director Uso wants to stop misreading the water we are selling. Mark Carey feels that meter reading is pre-historic and, with technology upgrades, the environment for staff and the customer can be improved and provide better stewardship. Why not do it? It's the right thing and the time is right. You know, I guess. Director Uso feels that we need to set priorities for ourselves and we don't have endless assets. 50% of our customers fall below the minimum usage threshold as established in our rate structure. The fact is that there may not be revenue there if we change out. The low use customers may still be low use customers and we would have the additional capital expense. We should probably consider that a cost benefit analysis may be in order. OM Darrell Creeks describes some meter reading problem cases. Mark A. Carey, asks how staff time could be reallocated away from meter reading with the use of this technology (hundreds of hours per month). Director Uso points out that, if staff is reallocated, then we do not experience any actual savings. Mark Carey said, "you can pay now or pay later". Finance committee member Ray Kringel discusses grants and how the grants could help the equation.

**B. Possible Board Action – Directives to Staff No board action**

**10. BUDGET REVISION, 2014-2015 BUDGET**

- A. Discussion –** The Temporary Labor Account (\$22,000 budgeted), and the Recruitment Account (\$2,000 budgeted) are currently in deficit while the Retiree Health Premiums Account (\$115,000 budgeted) is approaching deficit. Staff is requesting that \$33,000 be added to the Temporary Labor Account, \$15,000 be added to the Recruitment Account, and \$20,000 be added to the Retiree Health Premiums Account. GM Wendell Wall reads memo. Director Capraun explains that the account for the retiree benefits is just fine. The retirees send payments to the District to pay part of their health care premiums. If the payments the retirees send to the District to contribute to their health care premiums were accounted for, there would be no issue. The district pays out to cover the total cost of premiums and the District receives payments from the retirees to contribute towards those premiums. The net yearly cost to the District is \$65,000 when all the retiree contributions and premium payments are reconciled and accounted for. Currently, the payments from the retirees are not being accounted for and this failure is creating the illusion of a problem in the balance of the retiree health benefit account. Former Interim GM George Sanders addresses Director Capraun's concerns by stating that, "we have gone over this many times and, as I sit here, you are telling me we're not going to spend \$115,000 that was prepared on this budget". "Why didn't we discuss it before? I mean, you're coming up with vast amounts of information which I have no access to." Director Capraun explains that the yearly budgeted amount goes into fund 10 and we pay out of that fund to make the retirees' premium payments, and they also reimburse us. It is transferred over to fund 12 and the actual net cost to the district is \$65,000. The other money is transferred among the funds. Director Capraun suggests that this should not even be in the budget for operations. It should be its own account because it has been nothing but a problem. Former Interim GM George Sanders questions why the fund is designed the way it is if it is a problem. Director Capraun replies that, the retiree health care reserve account (fund 12) kept being depleted and we could not figure out where the monies were going. It went up, it went down, by as much as \$268,000 and we could not figure out where the money was, that is what we were trying to figure out. And after we went through it, wasn't being transferred properly by the CPA, Vaughn Johnson. It was a mess. On this next budget, fund 12 should be removed from operations and should



stand on its own. GM Wendell Wall asks, "but what about currently?" Director Capraun replies that a transfer is not necessary as the account should be just fine. Director Uso apologizes, but "I am getting a headache. I don't understand anything that's been said here and I'm not stupid, so please, somebody put this in terms that a financial person can understand, cause this is all gobbly gook to me". Finance committee member Ray Kringel explains that funds are abated back to the District and those dollars are going into one account and the expenditures for their premiums are coming from a different account and that expenditure account is in trouble. If the abatement had gone back to the individual expenditure account, the net financial outflows from the expenditure account would have been decreased. Director Uso asks, "what account did the money, the abatement money, go into"? Director Capraun replies, "we don't know." Director Uso asks, "What do you mean, you don't know?" Director Capraun replies that, "it is not on here. That's what I said before. Its not there". Director Uso says, "But Maria, you've been the Treasurer for 2 years. How can you not know?" Director Capraun replies, "Every time I ask, I don't get an answer." "I can ask the question. Someone else has to follow through". Director Uso asks, "How difficult is it to find out where those checks are going?" Finance committee member, Ray Kringel states that, there is one big account, and then there is accounting. He and Maria agree that the records are where the discrepancy is. He offers a solution that the account be augmented now and the accounting issues be corrected later knowing full well that the money is coming into the District and it is going someplace. Director Uso thanks Ray. Director Capraun asks to know what account the moneys are coming out of. Former Interim GM George Sanders responds that the funds will be coming out of the general fund. Director Capraun clarifies that, as funds come into the District, the money is attached to something. Director Uso asks if there is more money in the general fund than is in the operating expenses? Former Interim GM George Sanders responds that the general fund currently has about \$1.6 million in it. Director Uso states that it is coming out of the general fund. GM Wendell Wall and Director Uso have a consensus that you cannot get any money out of these accounts to do anything. Money can't be taken from the operating fund so money must be taken from the general fund. Director Uso then asks Director Capraun if her question was answered? Director Capraun replies that her question was not answered as the general fund is the operating fund. "All our money is in there." Director Uso says, "No it isn't, no it is not, it is absolutely not." Director Capraun explains that, as money comes in, it is attached to something. Director Uso explains that the District has unrestricted reserves so that when our operating budget is stretched like a rubber band because it was not sufficient, funds can be moved to make up the shortfall. And when the next budget is created, the true cost of operating the entity will be budgeted. And our fees, after we do this new 218, will reflect sufficient funds to do that and still be able to put money back into our reserves. He then tells Director Capraun, "That's what needs to happen. You can't squeeze blood out of a turnip." Director Capraun addresses Director Uso and replies that we don't see things the same way. Director Capraun explains that, when a water bill is paid, the money goes into water revenue. And from there, it is allocated to fund the operating budget. Everything in the operating budget is made up of specific deposits that derive from multiple sources. All the money that comes in has a designated point. Director Uso assures Director Capraun that, in next year's budget, he will make sure that moneys that come in for retirees will be allocated to a specific line item. Director Capraun states that, with respect to retiree funds, "it does go into a specific line item. It just never shows up on our report." Dennis Goodenow explains his desire that this situation will be improved next year so line items in the budget will match the accounting system used to track those dollars and he feels that, for now, we accept that we have these issues and we will solve them the way the General Manager wants to solve it and let's do a better job next year.

- B. Possible Board Action – Approval of Budget Motion to approve budget revision by Director Uso, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Hanschild, Public Comment: None. Vote: Motion Carries 4 Ayes (Krizl, Hoelscher, Hanschild, Uso) 1 No (Capraun).

#### 11. ACWA / JPIA CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR MAY 4, 2015 IN SACRAMENTO

- A. Discussion - The JPIA part of the conference explains the District's insurance while the ACWA portion of the conference addresses water issues. GM Wendell Wall reads Memo. Director Uso and Director Hoelscher want to go.. GM Wendell Wall says \$2,000 is allocated for conferences. Director Uso wants more guidance about meals, etcetera. Director Capraun is asking to be reimbursed for mileage and parking. She is going to the JPIA portion and skipping the rest. For the ACWA portion of the conference, the cost is \$695 per Board Member with meals and \$535 per Board Member without meals. Director Uso feels that the conference would be great. Director Capraun explains how reimbursement is requested. She also discusses some of what is covered during the conference and the content that is addressed during each day of the conference. Director Krizl directs Board members to contact GM Wendell Wall if they want to attend. Director Uso wants the package and is not going to drive back and forth to Sacramento each day so he will be obtaining lodging. If the District will reimburse him for his lodging, that is fine. If not, that is fine also.
- B. Possible Board Action – Approve conference attendance for Board Members No Board Action

#### 12. RESOLUTION 2015-03, IMPLEMENTATION OF ACWA/JPIA C2E PROGRAM

- A. Discussion – The ACWA/JPIA has invited the District to support and adopt a program (C2E) that is designed to improve health and safety as well as reduce losses from claims GM Wendell Wall reads Memo and discusses in-house safety items. One item he wants to implement is a suggestion box. Additionally, he wants to reestablish the IIPP program and reduce liability for the District.  
Possible Board Action – Adopt Resolution 2015-03 Director Capraun motions to accept the resolution, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Uso. Public Comment: Jack Falkenstein comments about cost reduction through safety. Vote: Motion Carries 5 Ayes (Krizl, Hoelscher, Capraun, Hanschild, Uso).

#### 13. MEETING TIME FOR THE GDPUD BOARD MEETINGS

- A. Discussion – Board to consider changing the time for regular meetings of the Board of Directors. GM Wendell Wall reads the Memo. Director Krizl discusses his experience with past meeting times. He wants to move the meeting time to 4pm. Director Uso is concerned about finding time around the meeting to dine. Director Capraun suggests that a 2pm meeting time might work.
- B. Possible Board Action Motion to move meeting time to 2pm Director Uso, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Hanschild. Public Comment: Claudia from Garden Valley would be disappointed if the meeting time were changed since she works and she could not attend afternoon meetings. Vote: Motion Carries, 5 Ayes (Krizl, Hoelscher, Capraun, Hanschild, Uso)

#### 14. GDPUD, 2015 CALENDAR OF PLANNED AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Discussion – Historically, the District has maintained a calendar of agenda items that can reasonably be expected to appear on the Agenda for Board Meetings. Director Krizl would like the calendar printed on the back page of the agenda. Director Uso wants, “subject to change” added to the calendar.
- B. Possible Board Action – Adopt the Calendar for the Remainder of 2015 Motion to adopt calendar with the new 2pm meeting time by Director Uso, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Hanschild.



*Public Comment: Vote: Motion Carries, 5 Ayes (Krizl, Hoelscher, Capraun, Hanschild, Uso).*

**15. AUBURN LAKE TRAILS WATER TREATMENT PLANT**

**A.** Discussion – Recap and extension of prior month report on progress towards plant replacement. *GM Wendell Wall lets Former Interim GM George Sanders bring us up to speed. He discusses the PG&E component and corrections as required by the fire chief. He discusses the CEQA document and discussed a meeting with GM Wendell Wall and OM Darrell Creeks; and Bridget wants a final blessing from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. He feels that we are right on the cusp of getting approval. He discusses the cost for construction management being between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000. He feels that this is an appropriate time to get this out to bid and the size of the project requires a 45 day notice. He discusses that, previously, the apparent low bidder on the plant was Auburn Constructors though the project was not awarded to them for whatever reason. He believes that it was related to lack of funding. He vouches for them as he has worked with them personally and a lot of stuff with El Dorado County and he considers them to be a real reputable firm. Not that the others... Syblon Reid is another real competitive firm on water and wastewater plants. He feels that we will get a good bid, similar to what we got last time, within the range of what Psomas has identified as the engineer's estimate. He feels that the Proposition 218 process should run parallel with the plant bidding process. Director Uso wants Former Interim GM George Sanders to provide a time estimate for getting all the items resolved with the various agencies. Former Interim GM George Sanders is estimating that between the next week to 15 days we can make significant progress and be there. He does not feel that we will have to wait much longer for approval. Former Interim GM George Sanders says that he will dedicate basically "free time to get this thing afloat." Director Uso discusses a previous discussion with Former Interim GM George Sanders with respect to his PERS related limitations. Can the District work with him if he establishes a company? Would it be possible for the District to hire Former Interim GM George Sanders' company to act as the construction manager for the ALT Plant project? Former Interim GM George Sanders suggests that everyone sit down as a group to determine what elements of construction management would be appropriate for him to participate in. He wants the Board and the Public to know what he feels that he could contribute to the project. He wants OM Darrell Creeks to be intimately involved and there will need to be a firm that will manage the paperwork. There are many submittals. Director Uso feels that the \$500,000 figure for construction management is ridiculous for a plant like this. He questions Former Interim GM George Sanders as to whether he is OK with his PERS. Former Interim GM George Sanders relayed that he has basically exhausted his time and he has a few hours; so, he can legally assist the District. However, in the next bit of time, he will be donating his time. He is willing to do that. This is important to the District. He wants to move forward. Director Uso presses Former Interim GM George Sanders about the PERS requirements. Dennis Goodenow, addressing the PERS situation, states that, "it is a no go." Finance committee member Ray Kringel discusses capitalization of labor that can help the operating budget.*

**B.** Possible Board Action No Board Action

**16. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS, REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONS TO FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION OR RESEARCH TO BE COMPLETED BY STAFF - Opportunity for Board members to discuss matters of interest to them and provide input for future meetings as well as report on their District related meeting attendance.**

*No Requests*

**17. CLOSED SESSION** *The Board moves to closed session.*

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – Existing Litigation - (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Name of Case: Leow v. GDPUD.
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION – Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of section 54956.9: (1 potential case)
- C. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS  
(Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6)  
District Representative: Wendell Wall and Director Lon Uso

**18. ADJOURN TO OPEN SESSION** - Announcement of action taken in closed session *At 8:55pm, the Board returns to open session and announced that direction was given to staff and no actions were taken.*

**19. NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT** - Next regular meeting April 14, 2015 at 2:00pm at the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District office.

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Signed Wendell B. Wall

Date 4-15-15

Wendell B. Wall, General Manager