

The minutes presented herewith are not a verbatim transcription of the regular board meeting held on designated date. The intent is to provide a synopsis of key points of discussion and to chronicle decisions and actions taken by a quorum of the Board of Directors (ref: Roberts Rules of Order, Section 48). For more information of background, please refer to the applicable Board Packet.

MEETING MINUTES
SOUTHERN COACHELLA VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, October 8, 2020

President Broughton called a special meeting of the SCVCSD Board of Directors to order via zoom meeting and at the Mecca Library Building in Mecca, CA at 8:02 p.m.

PRESENT

Becky Broughton, President
Ann Wells, Vice President
Eugene Kitagawa, Director
Frank Figueroa, Director
Maria Machuca, Director
Ben Crowson, Crowson Management Services
Steve Quintanilla, Attorney

ROLL CALL

Becky Broughton, Ann Wells, Eugene Kitagawa,
Frank Figueroa, and Maria Machuca

ABSENT

N/A

MOTION TO EXCUSE

N/A

PUBLIC COMMENT****

Anderson comments agenda item not been followed appropriately, and is concerned about grand jury response.

CLOSED SESSION

At 8:08 Broughton called the meeting into recess for closed session. Quintanilla said that under Brown Act we have to announce publicly the reason(s) for going into closed session. In this case the Board will confer with legal counsel about significant exposure to litigation pursuant government code section 54956.9(d), one potential case. The board will meet in closed session to discuss the districts' response to the grand jury report that raises issues related to the legality of certain transactions that general legal counsel opines exposes the District to potential litigation.

Broughton announced the meeting back to order at 9:19 p.m. She asked general counsel to report on behalf of the Board. Quintanilla said the board met to discuss the proposed response to the grand jury that raises issues related to the legality of certain transactions, that he believes exposes the District to potential litigation. The board considered the draft (3 to 2 vote) with some edits. The vote was yes from Broughton Wells and Kitagawa, and no from Board member Machuca and Figueroa. The response will be posted on the website and available to the public upon request.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion the adjourn (Machuca). Meeting closed at 9:23 p.m. Next scheduled Board meeting is November 19, 2020 at the SCVCSD Office in Mecca.

Recorded By:

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