



VENTURA COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
Standing Committee Regular Meeting
March 14, 2023
Meeting Summary

1. Chair John Zaragoza convened the meeting at approximately 2:31 p.m. Vice Chair Vianey Lopez, Dr. Martha McQueen-Legohn, and Jeff Gorell, were present. Also present were Jaclyn Smith, Assistant County Counsel; Ali R. Ghasemi, APCO, Keith Macias, Nancy Mendoza, and Resa Albert of APCD staff.
2. There were no public comments.
3. The approval of September 13, 2022, Meeting Summary was moved by Vice Chair Lopez, seconded by Dr. Legohn, approved unanimously by the committee, received and filed.
4. In considering the reappointment of APCD Hearing Board Members, APCO Ali Ghasemi mentioned that two of the members have term expired, one member of the public and a professional engineer. He briefly discussed that the five-member hearing board is composed of two public members, one attorney, one professional engineer and one medical professional. Supervisor Gorell raised questions regarding the process. Ali responded that there were recruitment and nominations in the past and those appointed by APCB were serving as Committee members for longest time such as Mike Stubblefield and Engineer Paulson. Meanwhile, Chair Zaragoza wanted to confirm the two members' position which term expired, Ali acknowledged one public member and a professional engineer. The motion to reappoint Mike Stubblefield as public member and Kathleen Paulson as professional engineer was moved by Committee member Dr. Legohn, seconded by supervisor Jeff Gorell and was unanimously approved.
5. In considering recommendations to APCB about the reappointment or replacement of Advisory Committee Members, whose terms expired, APCO Ali explained that each Supervisor nominates two members and each city in Ventura County nominates one member. So, the total number of members is twenty. The terms of some of the members had expired. Vice Chair and Dr. Legohn asked if those members whose terms expired are still interested in continuing to serve as members of the Committee. Ali replied in affirmative and cited the said members expressed their interests by contacting their respective city council and supervisors who nominated them previously. He revealed one of the interested members who approached the City council of Ojai was Steven Colome. Eventually, he was informed by the City Clerk that they were working to re-nominate the latter. Given that, the motion to consider recommendations for

reappointment of the members of the Advisory Committee whose terms expired was moved by Vice Chair Lopez, seconded by Supervisor Jeff Gorell and was unanimously approved.

6. Closed Session: Standing Committee met in closed session to consider the Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code Section 54957) – Air Pollution Control Officer. Following the completion of the closed session, Chair Zaragoza stated that the continuation of the evaluation will be deferred to the next standing Committee meeting.
7. The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for April 11, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. or immediately following the regular meeting of the Air Pollution Control Board.
8. Chair Zaragoza adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:35 p.m.