

CAWELO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

BOARD MEETING

Conference Room at District Office

Thursday April 12, 2018

8:30 A.M.

MINUTES

DIRECTORS PRESENT:	Keith Watkins, Mark Smith, Eric Miller, John Gaugel
DIRECTORS ABSENT:	Brian Blackwell
STAFF PRESENT:	David Ansolabehere, Dave Hampton, Emilie Ortiz, LeeAnn Giles, Candice Valdez
LEGAL COUNSEL:	Robert Hartsock
OTHER ATTENDEES:	Tim Gobler, Scott Hamilton, Andy Schweikart, Ed Kuykendall

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Watkins at 8:30 a.m. in the Conference Room of the District office located at 17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield, CA.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

The floor was open for any public comments. No comments were made.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

The minutes of Board Meeting for March 08, 2018 were presented for approval. After review and discussion, *it was motioned by Director Miller, seconded by Director Gaugel and unanimously carried that the minutes from March 08, 2018 be approved as presented.*

D. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

- a) **Update on SGMA Activities** – Mr. Hampton provided a brief report on the latest Kern Groundwater Authority (KGA) meeting in regards to funding, budget and watermanagement related issues. Cawelo GSA’s estimated share of the KGA budget is approximately \$113k. The KGA will have two upcoming workshops on April 26, 2018 in Shafter and May 21, 2018 in Arvin. Mr. Hartsock provided a brief report on legal issues with the KGA. Landowner representative, Tim Gobler commented that DWR will be hosting upcoming workshops regarding sustainable management criteria and management actions.
- b) **Website Development** – Mr. Hampton reported that staff is continuing to work with Four Creeks in developing Cawelo Water District’s website, which will include sections for the Cawelo GSA, Cawelo Water District, and ILRP.
- c) **SGMA and GSP Workshop Update** – Mr. Hampton reported that a Cawelo GSA Special Board Meeting was held on Thursday, April 05, 2018 to provide background on SGMA and have open discussions on the development of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for sustainable groundwater management for landowners within the CGSA and other interested parties.

Mr. Hampton noted that future Cawelo GSA meetings will increasingly have more content to present and therefore the Board may need to consider changing meeting times

and or dates. The Board agreed, when additional time is necessary, the meetings would remain on the same regularly scheduled dates but start at an earlier time.

- E. ADJOURNMENT** – The Cawelo Groundwater Sustainability Agency meeting adjourned at 8:49 a.m.

Brian Blackwell, Board Secretary