

"Final EA Board Meeting Minutes approved by the BAAQMD EA Board on November 15,2021"

EA Board of Directors' Meeting Wednesday, November 3rd, 12 pm- 1pm Microsoft Teams

- 1. Meeting called to Order (6 board members constitute a quorum).
 - a. Roll Call
 - i. Andy Berg (member)
 - ii. Chris Coelho (Corresponding Secretary)
 - iii. Grace Leung (Steward)
 - iv. Haley Downing (member)
 - v. Jack Connor (Vice President)
 - vi. Jimmy Cheng (Steward)
 - vii. Joseph Muehleck (Steward)
 - viii. Jay Patel (member)
 - ix. Julius Li (Steward)
 - x. Ralph Borrmann (member)
 - xi. Raymond Salalila (Steward)
 - xii. Richard Lam (member)
 - xiii. Absent Board Members:
 - 1. Andrea Academia (Treasurer)
 - 2. Monte DiPalma (Steward)
 - 3. Recording Secretary Vacant

2. Finance Update

- a. Treasurer absent
- b. No large expenses recently
- c. 80k settlement for grievance going to EA
- d. There will have to be an audit of the previous board's finances
 - i. This will be performed by the finance committee

3. Meet and Confer Update

- a. Workload impacts were discussed at last Meet and Confer
 - i. How do we measure workload impacts?
 - 1. Overtime is not a good metric.
 - ii. Management audit is affecting the Meet and Confer regarding workload impacts
- b. Admin Code changes are also being deliberated in Meet and Confer

- i. Benefit changes would require EA consent
- ii. Working condition impacts would also require EA consent
- c. Chris Coelho suggested that a Bylaws update should coincide with an Admin Code update
- d. We need to establish a Meet and Confer Committee
 - i. So far we have a couple volunteers
 - ii. We try to have a well-rounded meet and confer committee that represents employees from different divisions and job classes, both primaries and alternates.

4. Committee Volunteers

- a. Finance Committee
 - i. Audits previous board
- b. Meet and Confer Committee
 - i. Interim bargaining
- c. Bylaws Committee
 - i. Reviews and updates bylaws
- d. Social Committee
 - i. Plans social events
- e. Negotiating Committee
 - i. Contract negotiations
 - ii. Won't happen for a year
- f. Grievance Committee
 - i. Handles grievances
 - ii. Grievance SOP will be promulgated soon
 - iii. Eventually the attorney will probably chair the grievance committee

5. AQS Reclass

- a. Minimum qualifications updates have been agreed upon
- b. Job duties are close to being agreed upon
- c. There is a conflict regarding the possibility of sending current AQS's into the field to perform inspection duties
- d. We tried to insert a minimum requirement for training to make an AQS qualified for inspection work, in order to limit the pool of eligible AQS's
- e. Management hasn't defined the "critically low" threshold that would prompt them to assign these current AQS's inspection duties
- f. The District pushed back the negotiation meetings for two months, so we are asking for a three month extension (which accounts for the holidays)

6. Grievance Update

- a. Grievance filed in 2016 regarding District violating 16.02 (The Air District exceed the cap of hours for an LTE)
 - i. We won the arbitration but the arbitrator died before deciding on the damages owed by the District
 - ii. The Air District has settled with the EA
 - 1. The employee will receive a one-time check of about \$11,000
 - 2. The EA will receive about \$79,000

- b. We may be filing a grievance regarding a CEQA contract, where the work could be performed by AIM
 - i. First we are going to try to have the contract reworded so bargaining unit work is allocated as it should be

7. Other Business

- a. We recently switched 457 vendors. Ralph Borrmann wants the EA to push for the current 457 program to allow us more flexibility.
 - i. We are not allowed to invest in individual stocks
 - 1. Kenny sent a letter to the Air District requesting this to change. We have not received a response.
 - 2. Under state and federal law we should be allowed this
 - ii. We should be allowed to invest our money how we want to
 - 1. 10% of District Employees want more choice
 - iii. Would the EA consider hiring a lawyer to investigate this further and advocate on our behalf
 - iv. Kenny says we should bring this to the meet and confer table, and we should also ask our attorney for guidance on this, or a reference to an attorney who specializes
- 8. Adjournment

Approval:

Kennieth McKellar, President

Richard Lam, Recording Secretary