

Tri-Valley San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority (TVSJVRRRA)
Minutes of Board meeting on January 11, 2023 via Zoom Teleconference

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting of the board of directors was called to order by Chair Melissa Hernandez at 2:00 p.m.

a. Oaths of Office

Director Haubert, Supervisor for Alameda County, swore in three new members of the board; Mateo Bedolla, City of Tracy; Director John Marchand, City of Livermore, and Director Jose Nuño, City of Manteca.

2. **Roll Call of Members**

Members Present

Chair Melissa Hernandez, City of Dublin
Vice Chair Dan Wright, City of Stockton
Director Paul Akinjo, City of Lathrop
Director Mateo Bedolla, City of Tracy
Director David Haubert, Alameda County
Director David Hudson, San Ramon
Director Brittni Kiick (Livermore), LAVTA
Director Bernice King Tingle, Mountain House
Director John Marchand, City of Livermore
Director John McPartland (District 5), BART
Director Jose Nuño, City of Manteca
Director Robert Rickman, San Joaquin County
Director Karen Stepper, Town of Danville
Director Leo Zuber (Ripon), ACE

3. **Public Comments**

There was no public comment.

4. **Consent Calendar – ACTION**

Motion to approve all items on Consent Calendar as follows:

- a. Minutes of December 14, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting.
- b. Treasurer's Report for November 2022.
- c. Resolution R02-2023 Declaring that Agency meetings will continue to be held via teleconference.

Motion: Stepper/King-Tingle

Aye: Akinjo, Bedolla, Haubert, Hernandez, Hudson, Kiick, King-Tingle, Marchand, McPartland, Nuño, Rickman, Stepper, Wright, Zuber

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Passed

5. **Election of Board Chair and Vice Chair – ACTION**

Pursuant to the Authority's bylaws, the Authority's Chair and Vice Chair are elected biennially to serve two-year terms. The chairperson rotates between representatives from entities from cities or county located in Alameda County and from cities or county located in San Joaquin County. A representative from San Joaquin County was elected as chair for the last term, therefore, the new

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Chair shall be a director from Alameda County and the Vice Chair from San Joaquin County. Directors discussed this item, and the following motions were made.

a. Election of Chair

A motion was made Director King-Tingle and seconded by Director Marchand to elect Director Hernandez, director representing the City of Dublin in Alameda County, to the position of Chair of the Board of Directors.

Aye: Akinjo, Bedolla, Haubert, Hudson, Kiick, King-Tingle, Marchand, McPartland, Nuño, Rickman, Stepper, Wright, Zuber

Nay: None

Abstain: Hernandez

Absent: None

Motion Passed

b. Election of Vice Chair

A motion was made by Director Hudson to elect Director Akinjo, director representing the City of Lathrop in San Joaquin County to serve as Vice Chair. Akinjo declined and the motion was withdrawn by Hudson. A motion was made by Chair Hernandez to elect Dan Wright, director representing the City of Stockton in San Joaquin County, to the position of Vice Chair of the Board of Directors. This motion was seconded by A second motion was made by Director Zuber.

Aye: Akinjo, Bedolla, Haubert, Hernandez, Hudson, Kiick, King-Tingle, Marchand, McPartland, Nuño, Rickman, Stepper, Zuber

Nay: None

Abstain: Wright

Absent: None

Motion Passed

6. Delegate Authority to the Executive Director/CEO to for Filing of Applications with the State of California and Execution of Certifications, Assurances and Grant Agreements Required to Receive State Financial Assistance – ACTION

Deputy Director, Wil Ridder summarized the staff report and recommended that the board approve resolution R01-2023 authorizing the Executive Director/CEO, or designee, to file applications with the State of California, execute certifications, assurances, grant agreements and to take any other such actions as may be necessary to secure state financial assistance and manage state assistance or cooperative agreements on behalf of the agency. Ridder stated that this action would allow the Authority enter into a Funds Transfer Agreement with the California Department of Transportation for \$5 million in State Budget earmark funds approved during the FY 2023 State Budget as well as manage these funds going forward. There was no public comment. Directors discussed this item, and a motion was made to approve the resolution.

Motion: Marchand/Zuber

Aye: Akinjo, Bedolla, Haubert, Hernandez, Hudson, Kiick, King-Tingle, Marchand, McPartland, Nuño, Rickman, Stepper, Wright, Zuber

Nay: None

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Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed

7. **Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) Cycle 6 Grant Application – ACTION**
Ridder outlined the details of the Transit Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) Cycle 6 funding request and requested board approval for the submission of a TIRCP Cycle 6 grant application for \$40 million in Major Projects Project Development Reserve funding and authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute all agreements with regional and State partners. There was no public comment.

Motion: Hudson/Wright
Aye: Akinjo, Bedolla, Haubert, Hernandez, Hudson, Kiick, King-Tingle, Marchand, McPartland, Nuño, Rickman, Stepper, Wright, Zuber
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed

8. **Executive Director’s Report - INFORMATION**
Executive Director/CEO, Kevin Sheridan, addressed the latest state budget figures as it relates to transportation. He acknowledged certain funding cuts but noted that these cuts were mitigated by other funding sources and allocations and said he looks forward to the budget revisions in May. Sheridan advised that February will likely be the last virtual meeting. Legal counsel Michael Conneran added that a staff report will be presented at the next board meeting addressing the plan for meetings moving forward. Directors discussed this item.

9. **Directors’ Discussion**
Director Hudson shared details of an upcoming mayors’ conference to be held on May 11, 2023. He asked that staff and board chair be available to present a project update as well as information on the hydrogen plant. Chair Hernandez informed the board that she, along with other Tri-Valley mayors will be heading to Washington DC next week and will speak on behalf of Valley Link. Director King-Tingle congratulated Hernandez on her election as chair of the board and expressed her desire to have the chair and executive director continue their quarterly report to the Mountain House Community Services District.

10. **Upcoming Meeting Details**
a. Regular meeting – February 8, 2023 via teleconference

11. **Adjourn**
Meeting adjourned without objection at 2:31 p.m.