

# **MEETING MINUTES**

## **OWOW STEERING COMMITTEE**

**January 20, 2011**

### **PARTICIPANTS PRESENT**

Ron Sullivan, Convener	SAWPA
Garry Brown	Orange County Coastkeeper
Beth Krom	City of Irvine
Marion Ashley	County of Riverside
Ron Loveridge	City of Riverside
Josie Gonzales	County of San Bernardino
Pat Morris	City of San Bernardino
George Aguilar	San Bernardino Valley Water District

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Caryn Puma	City of Irvine, Council Member Beth Krom's Office
Mark Tetterer	Irvine Ranch Water District
Stuart McKibbin	Riverside County Flood Control District
John Richardson	County of San Bernardino
Celeste Cantú	SAWPA
Mark Norton	SAWPA
Jeff Beehler	SAWPA
Dawna Munson	SAWPA

The Steering Committee Meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m. by Convener Ron Sullivan at SAWPA, 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, CA 92503. There were no public comments received.

### **Governance Document Revisions**

Celeste Cantú said that part of what was adopted in the OWOW Governance Document was the method by which the Steering Committee members would be appointed in the future. Upon discussion at the November 2010 meeting, it was the consensus of the Committee that it is not appropriate to have the League of Cities recommend members representing the cities, but rather the Councils of Government for each of the three entities should decide, i.e. WRCOG for Riverside County, SANBAG for San Bernardino County, and OCCOG for Orange County. The revised Governance Document now reflects those changes.

Upon motion by Pat Morris, seconded by Marion Ashley, the motion unanimously carried:

#### **SC/11-01-01**

**MOVED**, approval of the Amended OWOW Governance Document with regard to Steering Committee membership.

Members representing the cities will be recommended by:

- Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) for Riverside County.
- San Bernardino Association of Governments (SANBAG) for San Bernardino County.
- Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG) for Orange County.

### **OWOW Steering Committee – Discussion Regarding Open Seats**

Celeste Cantú said that there are several Steering Committee seats opening up, as most of the Committee Members appointments expire in March 2011; she hopes that they will seek reappointments. Convener Sullivan added that it is hoped that everyone stays on the Committee; it would be good to keep the basic team together, particularly after all the efforts going through the first round of funds.

Ron Loveridge entered the meeting room at 3:18 p.m.

**Recent Presentations on OWOW**

Celeste Cantú informed the Committee that she and Larry McKenney currently are providing updated OWOW presentations to various entities as requested.

**Proposition 1E – Stormwater Projects**

Celeste Cantú said that it often has been noted that OWOW is not about Proposition 84 exclusively, and Proposition 1E clearly illustrates that. The State is requiring that the funds dispersed under Proposition 1E also go through a process such as OWOW. Jeff Beehler then provided a brief PowerPoint presentation on the Proposition 1E process and guidelines for stormwater projects. He reviewed the multiple benefits, the OWOW projects eligible to compete, and informed the Committee of the workshop SAWPA will hold February 3, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. to discuss the application process. He reviewed that Proposition 1E is a competitive process amongst all that apply for it throughout the State; the applications are due by April 15, 2011.

The last order of business for this item is to ask the Committee to amend the OWOW List for Proposition 1E eligible projects. Staff seeks authorization to reopen the process in the event that there are entities that have a solid project, but hadn't anticipated the requirements to be part of the OWOW Plan. Amending the list enables us to bring them into the fold. The list would be brought back before the Committee for review and approval.

Upon motion by Marion Ashley, seconded by Pat Morris, the motion unanimously carried:

**SC/11-01-02**

**MOVED**, approval to amend the OWOW List for Proposition 1E Eligible Projects, and to bring back the list before the Committee for review and approval.

**Proposition 84 Updates**

- A. **Proposition 84 as Part of OWOW**: The 13 projects were submitted on time and staff has done a “lessons learned” meeting on how the process can be streamlined for us, as well as the applicants. Staff also is working with the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) in developing a scope for planning activities focused on action rather than description. The BOR hopes to hold a “big check” ceremony.
- B. **DWR and OWOW Schedule Update**: The next step will be to ask the Pillar Committee to provide a “post mortem” on the project selections.
- C. **Bond Sales Projections**: Celeste Cantú just heard from the State that this may be done as late as next fiscal year. Some of the process will go on, but the signing of contracts may be delayed.

**Approval of Minutes from the Meeting of 11-18-10**

Upon motion by Pat Morris, seconded by Beth Krom, and George Aguilar abstaining, the motion unanimously carried:

**SC/11-01-03**

**MOVED**, approval of the Minutes from the meeting held 11-18-2010.

**Announcements/Adjournment**

Celeste Cantú reported that:

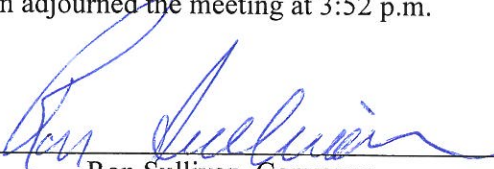
- The next meeting will be held March 17, 2011 at the Green River Golf Course in Corona.
- The OWOW Conference is moving forward and will be held at the Riverside Convention Center.

Celeste Cantú presented Beth Krom with a beautifully framed poem that Ms. Krom had written about OWOW in its formative years. The Committee thanked her for her inspiration.

George Aguilar commented that he has worked with many of the Committee members in the past, and he looks forward to working with everyone and helping to make the Committee the best it can be.

There being no further business, Convener Sullivan adjourned the meeting at 3:52 p.m.

**APPROVED:**  
March 17, 2011

  
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Ron Sullivan, Convener

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