

## MINUTES

### MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

### SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY

April 14, 2010, 2:00 p.m.



#### **GENERAL AND CEREMONIAL ITEMS:**

1. **CALL TO ORDER WAS MADE BY THE CHAIRMAN OEHLKE, AT 2:01 PM**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED**
3. **THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY, MR. ROBERTO G. RODRÍGUEZ, CALLED THE ROLL AND REPORTED THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**
  - Terry E. Baiamonte
  - Sally Buchanan
  - A.D. Kollodziej, Jr.
  - Hector R. Morales
  - Roberto G. Rodríguez
  - Gaylon J. Oehlke
4. **CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE SECRETARY, MR. RODRÍGUEZ**
5. **INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

Ms. Sanchez reported that there were none.
6. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Ms. Sanchez announced that there were no citizens signed up to speak.
7. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 10, 2010**

Staff recommended a motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on February 10, 2010, as presented.

Motion made by Sally Buchanan  
Seconded by A.D. Kollodziej, Jr.  
Motion passed unanimously

**8. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING ARTICLE XVIII OF THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY BYLAWS RELATING TO DIRECTOR CONFERENCES, EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS, AND FEES**

Ms. Buchanan recommended a motion that the Executive Committee support presentation of the proposed Amendment to Bylaws Article XVIII to the Board of Directors for approval, noting the Committee's preference for the Chair, rather than the Executive Committee, to have the authority to grant exceptions to the new policy.

Seconded by Terry E. Baiamonte

Motion passed with Mr. Rodríguez voting not in favor.

**9. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING AGENDA DISTRIBUTION, 2010 UPDATES TO THE BOARD HANDBOOK, AND OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICES**

The Committee provided staff guidance on 2010 Board Handbook updates. There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 10.

**10. BRIEFING REGARDING PROCESS TO FORMALIZE PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES USED BY THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN THE CONDUCT OF MEETINGS**

Ms. Buchanan motioned that Legal Counsel for the River Authority, David Ross, encompass how SARA's meetings are conducted, into a written document for future review and input by the Committee and Board.

Seconded by Roberto G. Rodríguez

Motion passed unanimously

**11. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING WATER RIGHTS WITHIN THE GUADALUPE-SAN ANTONIO RIVER BASIN**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 12.

**12. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071 FOR CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY FOR A BRIEFING ON PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION UNDER THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT REGARDING AN ALLEGED TAKE OF WHOOPING CRANES**

After appropriate disclosure in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the Open Meetings Act, Section 551.071, Mr. Oehlke then recessed to meet in Executive Session at 3:47 p.m. for deliberation concerning consultation with attorney for a briefing on pending or contemplated litigation under the Endangered Species Act regarding an alleged take of Whooping Cranes. The Executive Session having concluded, the Executive Committee Meeting resumed into Open Session at 4:10 p.m.

**13. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION ON PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION UNDER THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT REGARDING AN ALLEGED TAKE OF WHOOPING CRANES**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 14.

**14. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:**

- **UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR,**
- **FUTURE BOARD AND/OR COMMITTEE MEETINGS, AND**
- **MEETINGS INVOLVING THE ATTENDANCE OF ONE OR MORE BOARD MEMBERS**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 15.

**15. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION**

Mr. Oehlke announced that Mr. Raabe will place additional presentations on environmental matters of impact to the basin, such as the Instream Flow Program and/or Environmental Flows, on future Committee agendas.

**16. NEXT MEETING DATE**

After Committee discussion and due to the upcoming budget meetings, it was decided that the next Executive Committee meeting will be Wednesday, August 11, 2010, at 2:00 p.m.

**17. ADJOURN**

There being nothing further to report, Mr. Oehlke called for a motion to adjourn the Executive meeting and therefore, the meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

**PREPARED AND RECOMMENDED FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL BY THE MANAGER.**

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**SUZANNE B. SCOTT, General Manager**

**APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON AUGUST 11, 2010.**

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**GAYLON J. OEHLKE, Board Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**ROBERTO G. RODRÍGUEZ, Board Secretary**