# BEACON BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Friday, March 20, 2020

**TIME:** 9:00 AM

PLACE: TELECONFERENCE

Item	1 Call to Order, Roll Call and Introductions – Chair, Gregg Hart.				
110111	Directors Present:				
	*******				
	• Gregg Hart (County of Santa Barbara)				
	• Das Williams (County of Santa Barbara)				
Minutes/	John Zaragoza (County of Ventura)				
Actions:	Christy Weir (City of Ventura)				
	• Eric Friedman (City of Santa Barbara)				
	Fred Shaw (City of Carpinteria)				
	Kyle Richards (City of Goleta)				
	Carmen Ramirez (City of Oxnard)				
Item	Approval of Agenda and Filing of Certificate of Agenda Posting				
Item	Action: Approve and file.				
Minutes/	The Agenda was unanimously approved by the Board.				
Actions:	Moved by Ramirez/ Second by Zaragoza.				
	Consideration and Approval of Minutes of the BEACON Meetings				
Item	1C   held on January 24, 2020.				
	Action: Approve and file.				
Minutes/	The Board unanimously approved the minutes as posted.				
Actions:	Moved by Richards/Second by Shaw.				
Item	Public Comment and Other Matters not on the Agenda				
Ittili	Receive public comments.				
Minutes/	None.				
Actions:					
Item	5A Board Members Reports.				
rtem	Board members Reports and Updates.				
Minutes/	No von oute				
Actions:	No reports.				

Itom	5D	BEACON Organization – Executive Staff Transition 2020
		Recommended Actions:
Item	SD	Receive report from BEACON Board Chair and Executive Director on Calendar Year 2020
		Transition Activities.

### BEACON BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Friday, March 20, 2020

**TIME: 9:00 AM** 

PLACE: TELECONFERENCE

Mr. Brian Brennan reported that at the January 24, 2020 Board Meeting, the Board approved the formation of an Executive Staff Transition Subcommittee and Mr. Marc Beyeler as Deputy Executive Director. On March 6 the Subcommittee consisting of Directors Gama, Weir, Hart, Richards and Shaw, met to discuss the scope of work of the Executive Director, an Executive Director Compensation Study and a BEACON budget assessment.

The recommendations of the Subcommittee were as follows:

- Full time Executive Director compensation at \$134K was appropriate.
- Doubling the dues to cover the cost of a full-time Ex Director was appropriate.
- Three tiers of membership dues are appropriate based on size of jurisdiction.
- The Deputy Ex Director would begin role as Ex Director starting in January 2021.
- As an option, existing BEACON reserves could be used to cover the period of Jan 2021 through June 2021.
- Budget options of less than doubling should also be evaluated.

**Director Zaragoza** indicated that 100% approval of Board is required for a dues increase and therefore all jurisdictions must be on board with strategy. City of Port Hueneme may have concerns with a doubling of current dues.

Ex Director Brennan indicated he was not sure of appetite of PH Council.

**Director Shaw** indicated he would discuss with the Carpinteria City Manager and wants a presentation to City Council.

**Director Richards** indicated he would also discuss with the Goleta City Manager. He believed that the actual increase in fees in absolute terms was actually quite low. He requested a written report or presentation and evaluations of smaller dues increase of 50% and 75% increase.

### Minutes/ Actions:

**Director Friedman** indicated that the Ex Director as been pro-bono for a long time and now it is time to secure a funded position. He said he would discuss with his City Manager also and also requested a letter and or presentation.

**Director Ramirez** stated she echoed the thoughts of Mr. Friedman and that the City of Oxnard was currently very fiscally adverse.

**Director Zaragoza** indicated he would discuss with Port Hueneme and supported a phased approach to increases in dues.

**Director Williams** indicated that these are tough financial times but that the coastline and our beaches were one of the most (if not the most) critical asset the Central Coast has.

**Director Hart** mirrored Director William's sentiment that the biggest economic asset of our community is the coast.

There was consensus that a PowerPoint with audio overlay should be prepared for distribution to member agencies.

**Director Hart** asked what percentage of dues increase would be reasonable for each member agency?

Director Shaw: 75% Director Richards: 75% Director Friedman: 100%

Director Ramirez: 75% but start at 100%

Director Ramirez: 100% Director Williams: 100%

### **BOARD ACTIONS:**

The Board received and filed the report. Moved by Friedman/Second by Shaw.

# BEACON BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Friday, March 20, 2020

**TIME:** 9:00 AM

**PLACE: TELECONFERENCE** 

Item	5C	Amendments to BEACON Bylaws Recommended Action:  i. Review and recommend approval of the amended BEACON Bylaws. (requires a 2/3/majority vote of the Board of Directors
Minutes/ Actions:	Ex Director Brennan indicated that the recommendation is to amend the BEACON's Bylaws that were created in 1986. The proposed amendment reflects changes in the 1999 Joint Powers Agreement and BEACON's current practices. Specifically, the amendment includes an update to BEACON's name, two-year terms for BEACON Officers, flexibility in appointing committees, and a change to simplified parliamentary procedures.  BOARD ACTIONS: The Board approved unanimously the Recommended Action.  Moved by Ramirez/Second by Zaragoza.	

Item	5D	<ul> <li>Auditor-Controller's Actions and Financial Reports:</li> <li>i. Receive and file the Budget-to-Actual report for the year-to-date period ending February 29, 2020 (Exhibit I).</li> <li>ii. Receive and file proposed increase to Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Membership Dues (Exhibit II)</li> </ul>
Minutes/ Actions:	men two	iii. Receive and file Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget Scenarios (Exhibit III)  Carlos Maldonado of the ACO presented the three items: Budget to Actual report, a report on a nbership dues increase recommendation; and, a report of FY 2021 Budget Scenarios. items: the first reporting on the Budget to Actual for period ending December 31, 2019 and the ond reporting budget adjustments to accommodate the amendment to Mr. Bayeler's contract.
	bud be s	ARD ACTIONS: The Board agreed to consider the membership dues increase and the get again at the May and July Board meetings and requested that a letter and presentation ubmitted to the member agencies from Staff.

Item	6	Executive Director's Report and Communications
Minutes/ Actions:	•	The Executive Director indicated a letter and presentation would be prepared and submitted to the member agencies. He also indicated that planning for a science workshop was in the works but will be delayed for now.

Adjourn to next regular meeting May 15, 2020 at 9:00 AM by Teleconference or Video Conference.

Meeting Minutes by Gerald Comati, Program Manager, BEACON.