

POLICY COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
Thursday, August 4, 2022 - 3:00 PM
MINUTES

1. OPENING

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Farmer called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.

B. ESTABLISH QUORUM

A quorum was established.

Committee members present – Harry Farmer, Gordon Heinrichs, Claudia Harmon, Ted Key, and Debra Scott. Committee Member Townsend was excused from the meeting.

District staff present - General Manager John Weigold

C. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Farmer reported that, at the upcoming CCSD Board meeting, he and Board President Howell will present information on the amount that has been spent on the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) so far.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Crosby and Laura Schwartz stated that the Climate Change Policy has a great effect on Cambria and underscored its importance to the District. They suggested that the issue of absorption of carbon dioxide should be included in the policy, the importance of protecting Cambria's trees.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consideration to Approve the May 26, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

Committee member Key moved to approve the minutes.

Committee member Scott seconded the motion.

Motion passed – Ayes – 4 Nays – 0 Abstain – 0

3. REGULAR BUSINESS

- A.** Review and Discuss the July 14, 2022 CCSD Board Action Directing the Policy Committee to do a Needs Assessment Regarding Establishing a District Code of Ethics

Member Key voiced his support of the action by the Board. Member Heinrichs stated that many other entities have a Code of Ethics Policy. Member Harmon stated that most CCSDs have an ethics policy. Chair Farmer stated that one of the reasons that some of the Board members didn't support having an ethics policy was that they stated that ethics was included in the revised Strategic Plan. The draft revised Strategic Plan is posted on the CCSD website. General Manager Weigold stated that this plan had not been approved by the Board yet. Member Harmon and Member Scott will collaborate on formulating a draft Needs Assessment to forward to the Board after the Policy Committee reviews.

- B.** Review and Discuss the July 14, 2022 CCSD Board Action to Accept the Needs Assessment for a District Climate Change/Climate Crisis Policy and Direct R & I Committee to Define the Needs and Parameters for Such Policy

The Board accepted the Needs Assessment that was forwarded from the Policy Committee. The next step is for the R & I Committee to define the parameters for a policy. Committee Members discussed that the Financial Committee will also be giving parameters for this policy. Member Key stated that he would be attending those committee meetings to watch the process and lend any information that they may need.

Public Comment:
Laura Swartz

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Member Heinrichs suggested that the committee add CSDA Policy 1050 Role of the General Manager to its next agenda. He also suggested that the committee should discuss the evacuation policy in case of fire.

Member Harmon suggested that the committee review the issues that have previously been discussed by the committee and have not been resolved to date.

5. ADJOURN

Chair Farmer adjourned the meeting at 4:36 pm.