

**REGULAR MEETING of the Citizens Advisory Committee
of the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA)
Thursday, June 8, 2023
MINUTES**

In-Person, Video Conference, and Teleconference
6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL**Present:**

PCEA Lobby, 2075 Woodside Road, Redwood City, CA 94061

Diane Bailey, Belmont
Steven Booker, Half Moon Bay
Brandon Chan, South San Francisco
Michael Closson, Menlo Park
Kathleen Goforth, San Carlos *arrived at 6:37 p.m.*
Margaret Li, South San Francisco
Jason Mendelson, Redwood City, *Vice Chair*
Cheryl Schaff, Menlo Park, *Chair*
Desiree Thayer, Burlingame

*UC Merced, Sustainability Research and Engineering (SRE) 458, 5200 North Lake Rd.,
Merced, CA 95340*

Daniel Baerwaldt, Los Banos

Absent:

An in-person quorum was established.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Christine Boles, *Peninsula Clean Energy Board Member*, reported on a recent electrification workshop in Pacifica. Christine Boles announced that she is inviting tours of her all-electric home on June 17 at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m.

ACTION TO SET THE AGENDA AND APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**1. Approval of the Minutes for the May 11, 2023, Regular Meeting**

Motion Made / Seconded: Closson / Chan

Motion passed 10-0 (Absent: None)

REGULAR AGENDA

2. Chair Report (Discussion)

Cheryl Schaff, *Chair*, clarified that the Peninsula Clean Energy Board of Directors will select the new members of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC).

3. Member Introductions (Discussion)

Cheryl Schaff invited each member of the Committee to introduce themselves and answer the following questions: *What is your favorite resource for sustainability content or information?*

4. Budget Report and Update (Action)

Shawn Marshall, *Chief Operations Officer*, provided an overview of Peninsula Clean Energy's draft budget for fiscal year 2023-24, including key assumptions and notable increases in the budget. Shawn also described the budget review and approval process, which involves the creation of an ad-hoc subcommittee to develop a policy on the use of excess funds.

Committee members discussed key external influences on the budget and change in net position, such as the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA), PG&E's generation rates, and high volatile and unpredictable energy markets over the past year. Jason Mendelson, *Vice Chair*, expressed hesitation towards formally recommending the draft budget at this time due to limited context, granularity, and understanding of each item entailed in the budget. Jason suggested that the CAC endorse the idea of including a CAC member in the ad-hoc subcommittee focused on excess funds. Michael Closson, *Committee Member*, and Diane Bailey, *Committee Member*, expressed agreement and requested more information on the proposed budget for energy programs.

Jason Mendelson made a motion to provide the following recommendation to the Peninsula Clean Energy Board of Directors:

The CAC appreciates the significant work that went into developing the budget and the budget details that were shared with us. We support the creation of an ad-hoc subcommittee, including a CAC member, to make a recommendation on what to do with excess FY24 funds. We would like to receive programmatic budget information in order to continue to advise on the potential uses of the excess funds, specifically focused on programmatic funding moving forward. The CAC would like to recommend Steven Booker to serve on that subcommittee.

Motion Made / Seconded: Mendelson / Bailey

Motion passed 10-0 (Absent: None)

5. Net Energy Metering 3.0 Update (Discussion)

Leslie Brown, *Director of Account Services*, introduced the history of Net Energy Metering and new framework of Net Billing Tariff. Leslie also explained how these changes affect current and future solar customers of Peninsula Clean Energy.

Committee Members discussed the impact of Net Billing Tariff compensation on residential building electrification and how to communicate these changes to customers. Diane Bailey noted the current incentives for battery backup available, especially for environmental justice communities and customers vulnerable to Public Safety Power Shutoff events.

6. Marketing and Community Liaison Update (Discussion)

Kirsten Andrews-Schwind, *Senior Manager of Community Relations*, announced the launch of the E-Bikes for Everyone program. Additionally, the Board of Directors approved the Peninsula Clean Energy Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, and Inclusion Action Plan. Kirsten announced that Peninsula Clean Energy received two Community Impact Awards from CalCCA: First Place in the Equity Category for the Community Outreach Grant Program and Runner-Up in the Decarbonization Category for the Reach Codes Program.

7. Upcoming Topics for Discussion (Discussion)

Kirsten Andrews-Schwind previewed topics for the upcoming meetings of the Peninsula Clean Energy Board of Directors, including a discussion on the goal to provide 100% renewable energy on a 24/7 basis by 2025, an update on the Solar and Storage for Public Buildings Program, and an overview on grid regionalization. Kirsten noted that the July CAC meeting will include onboarding for new members.

Steven Booker, *Committee Member*, recommended a discussion on reach codes and the electric vehicle infrastructure training program. Michael Closson suggested an overview on Peninsula Clean Energy's local programs. Jason Mendelson requested an update on the ad-hoc subcommittee focused on excess funds in the budget as well as a regulatory update on grid regionalization.

Cheryl Schaff suggested the idea of pairing existing CAC members with new CAC members. Jason Mendelson, Diane Bailey, and Desiree Thayer expressed interest in supporting new members.

8. Committee Members' Reports (Discussion)

No Committee Member Reports.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 9:04 p.m.