

MCE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 16, 2025
9:15 A.M.
2300 Clayton Road, Suite 1500, Concord, CA. 94520

Present: Stephanie Andre, City of Larkspur
Dion Bailey, City of Hercules
Mark Belotz, Town of Danville
Kari Birdseye, City of Benicia
Barbara Coler, Town of Fairfax
Cindy Darling, City of Walnut Creek
Jill Hoffman, City of Sausalito
Tarrell Kullaway, Town of San Anselmo
John McCormick, City of Lafayette
Aaron Meadows, City of Oakley
Devin Murphy, City of Pinole, joined at 11:28am
Laura Nakamura, City of Concord
Beth Painter, City of Napa
Charles Palmares, City of Vallejo
Max Perrey, City of Mill Valley, joined at 9:46am
Mary Sackett, County of Marin
Manveer Sandhu, City of Fairfield, joined at 9:49am
Shanelle Scales-Preston, County of Contra Costa, Chair
Maureen Toms, Alternate, City of Pinole
Sally Wilkinson, City of Belvedere
Cesar Zepeda, City of Richmond
Brianne Zorn, City of Martinez

Absent: Liz Alessio, County of Napa and Four Napa Cities/Town
(American Canyon, Calistoga, St. Helena, and Yountville)
Eli Beckman, Town of Corte Madera
Monica Brown, County of Solano
Kevin Jacobs, City of Novato
C. William Kircher, Jr., Town of Ross
Arlene Kobata, City of Pittsburg
Maika Llorens Gulati, City of San Rafael
Elizabeth Pabon-Alvarado, City of San Pablo
Gabriel Quinto, City of El Cerrito
Amanda Szakats, City of Pleasant Hill
Graham Thiel, Town of Moraga
Holli Their, Town of Tiburon
Sridhar Verose, City of San Ramon

Staff

& Others:

Jared Blanton, VP of Public Affairs
Jessica Brooks, Lead Board Clerk and Executive Assistant
Vidhi Chawla, VP of Power Resources
Shuvo Chowdhury, VP of Technology & Analytics
Sebastian Conn, Senior Community Development Manager
Kirby Dusel, Pacific Energy Advisors
CB Hall, Principal Power Procurement Manager
Sam Irvine, Senior Strategic Initiatives Manager
Vicken Kasarjian, Chief Operating Officer
Jonnie Kipyator, Power Analytics Senior Manager
Caroline Lavenue, Legal Counsel II
Tanya Lomas, Board Clerk Associate
Spike Lomibao, Creative Manager
Stephen Mariani, Senior Power Procurement Manager
Alexandra McGee, VP of Strategic Initiatives
Catalina Murphy, General Counsel
Justine Parmelee, VP of Internal Operations
Zae Perrin, VP of Customer Operations
Kate Sears, Former MCE Board Chair
Enyonam Senyo-Mensah, Internal Operations Manager
Maíra Strauss, Chief Financial Officer
Jenna Tenney, Director of Communications and Community Engagement
Dawn Weisz, Chief Executive Officer

1. Roll Call

Chair Scales-Preston called the regular meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. with quorum established by roll call.

2. Public Open Time (Discussion)

Chair Scales-Preston opened the public comment period and there were no comments.

3. Welcome and Introductions (Discussion)

Chair Scales-Preston welcomed the Board and facilitated round table introductions.

4. Year in Review and Key Highlights (Discussion)

Dawn Weisz, CEO, introduced this item and addressed questions from Board members.

Chair Scales-Preston opened the public comment period and there were no comments.

5. 15th Anniversary Speaker (Discussion)

Director Coler, Town of Fairfax, introduced MCE's 15th Anniversary speaker, Kate Sears, Former Chair of MCE's Board.

Chair Scales-Preston opened the public comment period and there were no comments.

6. Managing MCE's Power Supply Portfolio (Discussion)

Stephen Mariani, Senior Power Procurement Manager, introduced this item. Several MCE staff and Kirby Dusel, Pacific Energy Advisors, addressed questions from Board members.

Chair Scales-Preston opened the public comment period and there were no comments.

7. CAISO, Risk Mitigation, and MCE's Approach to Market Participation (Discussion)

CB Hall, Principal Power Procurement Manager, introduced this item and addressed questions from Board members.

Chair Scales-Preston opened the public comment period and comments were made by member of the public, Dan Segedin.

8. Using Virtual Power Plants to Decrease Volatility and Risk in MCE's Supply (Discussion)

Vicken Kasarjian, COO, Alexandra McGee, VP of Strategic Initiatives, Shuvo Chowdhury, VP of Technology & Analytics, and Sam Irvine, Senior Strategic Initiatives Manager, introduced this item and addressed questions from Board members.

Chair Scales-Preston opened the public comment period and there were comments made by member of the public, Robert Miller.

9. VPP in Action: Risk Mitigation Bidding Simulation (Discussion)

Alexandra McGee, VP of Strategic Initiatives, introduced this activity and addressed questions from Board members.

10. Small Group Breakouts with MCE Staff (Discussion)

There was not a staff presentation on this item. Supporting materials were included in the packet.

11. Adjournment

Chair Scales-Preston adjourned the meeting at 2:41 p.m. to the next scheduled Board Meeting on November 20, 2025.

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Shanelle Scales-Preston

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Shanelle Scales-Preston, Chair

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Dawn Weisz

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Dawn Weisz, Secretary