

**MCE BOARD MEETING MINUTES<sup>1</sup>**  
**Thursday, November 20, 2025**  
**6:30 P.M.**

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**Present:** Liz Alessio, County of Napa and Four Napa Cities/Town (American Canyon, Calistoga, St. Helena, and Yountville), joined at 7:03pm  
Stephanie Andre, City of Larkspur  
Dion Bailey, City of Hercules  
Eli Beckman, Town of Corte Madera  
Mark Belotz, Town of Danville  
Kari Birdseye, City of Benicia  
Monica Brown, County of Solano, left at 9:30pm  
Brian Colbert, Alternate, County of Marin  
Barbara Coler, Town of Fairfax  
Cindy Darling, City of Walnut Creek  
Jill Hoffman, City of Sausalito  
Kevin Jacobs, City of Novato  
C. William Kircher, Jr., Town of Ross  
Arlene Kobata, City of Pittsburg, joined at 7:34pm  
William Ktsanes, Alternate, City of El Cerrito  
Tarrell Kullaway, Town of San Anselmo  
Maika Llorens Gulati, City of San Rafael, joined at 8:23pm  
Satinder S. Malhi, Alternate, City of Martinez  
Eduardo Martinez, Alternate, City of Richmond  
John McCormick, City of Lafayette  
Laura Nakamura, City of Concord  
Beth Painter, City of Napa  
Charles Palmares, City of Vallejo  
Max Perrey, City of Mill Valley  
Shanelle Scales-Preston, County of Contra Costa, Chair  
Shannon Shaw, Alternate, City of Oakley  
Amanda Szakats, City of Pleasant Hill  
Maureen Toms, Alternate, City of Pinole  
Graham Thiel, Town of Moraga  
Sridhar Veroose, City of San Ramon, joined at 6:54pm  
Sally Wilkinson, City of Belvedere

**Absent:** Elizabeth Pabon-Alvarado, City of San Pablo  
Manveer Sandhu, City of Fairfield  
Holli Their, Town of Tiburon

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<sup>1</sup> This item is a general administrative matter. Action requires a majority vote of board members present for a motion to carry.

## **Staff**

### **& Others:**

Jared Blanton, VP of Public Affairs  
Jesica Brooks, Lead Board Clerk and Executive Assistant  
John Dalessi, Pacific Energy Advisors  
CB Hall, Principal Power Procurement Manager  
Alice Havenar-Daughton, VP of Customer Programs  
Vicken Kasarjian, Chief Operating Officer  
Caroline Lavenue, Legal Counsel II  
Tanya Lomas, Board Clerk Associate  
Linda Lye, Senior Legal Counsel  
Catalina Murphy, General Counsel  
Ashley Muth, Internal Operations Associate  
Justine Parmelee, VP of Internal Operations  
Mike Rodriguez-Vargas, Internal Operations Assistant  
Enyonam Senyo-Mensah, Internal Operations Manager  
Dan Settlemyer, Internal Operations Associate  
Sabrinna Soldavini, Vice President of Policy  
Maíra Strauss, VP of Finance  
Jamie Tuckey, Chief Customer Office  
Dawn Weisz, Chief Executive Officer

### **1. Roll Call**

Chair Scales-Preston called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with quorum established by roll call.

### **2. Board Announcements (Discussion)**

Chair Scales-Preston opened the meeting and removed item 9, MCE Public Officials Code of Ethics. Director Kullaway made a motion to move items 8 & 11 to after consent. Chair Scales-Preston opened the floor to a vote.

Action: It was M/S/D (Kullaway/Beckman) **to move items 8 & 11 to after consent.** Motion did not carry. 12-Yays 14-Nos 1-Abstain. (Nos: Bailey, Belotz, Birdseye, Brown, Coler, Darling, Malhi, McCormick, Nakamura, Scales-Preston, Shaw, Szakats, Thiel, Toms. Abstain: Ktsanes. Absent: Alessio, Kobata, Pabon-Alvarado, Sandhu, Their, and Verose).

### **3. Public Open Time (Discussion)**

Chair Scales-Preston opened the public comment period and there were comments made by members of the public Mitch Mashburn, Wendy Brekken, Alicia Minyen, Robin Sackey, Heidi Wood, Michael Gellar, Carmen Martinez, Mary Stompe, Mimi Willard and Alternate Board Director Mathew Salter, Town of Ross.

### **4. Report from Chief Executive Officer (Discussion)**

CEO Weisz 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, Alicia Minyen.

#### **5. Consent Calendar (Discussion/Action)**

- C.1 Approval of 9.18.25 Meeting Minutes
- C.2 Approval of 10.16.25 Meeting Minutes
- C.3 Approved Contracts for Energy Update
- C.4 Resolution No. 2025-07 Appointing Chief Financial Officer as Treasurer
- C.5 Marketing and Communications Quarterly Executive Report
- C.6 Proposed Amended and Restated MCE Policy No. 003 – Records Retention
- C.7 Legislative and Regulatory Update

Director Andre requested that item C.3 be pulled from the consent calendar for discussion. The Chair accepted the request and opened the floor for questions and comments from Board members.

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

Action: It was M/S/C (Perrey/Beckman) **to approve Consent Calendar items**

**C.1, C.2, C.4, C.5, C.6, and C.7.** Motion carries by unanimous roll call vote.  
(Absent: Brown, Pabon-Alvarado, Sandhu and Thier).

#### **6. MCE Fiscal Year 2025/26 Energy Pro Forma Update (Discussion)**

John Dalessi, President & CEO, Pacific Energy Advisors, introduced this item and addressed questions from Board members.

Chair Scales-Preston opened the public comment period and there were comments made by members of the public Alicia Minyen, Wendy Brekken, Dan Segedin, Robert Miller and Alternate Board Director Mathew Salter, Town of Ross.

Action: No action required.

#### **7. Strategic Alignment and Update on Regulatory Advocacy (Discussion)**

Sabrinna Soldavinni, VP of Policy, introduced this item and addressed questions from Board members.

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

Action: No action required.

## **8. Placement of Finance Functions for Board Engagement (Discussion/Action)**

Justine Parmelee, VP of Internal Operations, introduced this item.

Chair Scales-Preston opened the public comment period and there were comments made by members of the public Dan Segedin, Alicia Minyen, Wendy Brekken, Edi Birsan, Robert Archer and Alternate Board Director Mathew Salter, Town of Ross.

Action 1: Chair Scales-Preston opened the floor for Board members to choose between options:

- A. Change Executive Committee name to "Executive and Finance Committee" and add a standing quarterly finance review to agendas, to supplement existing finance topics already covered.
- B. Separate the finance scope out of the Executive Committee and form a new, standing "Finance Committee".

**Option B. Separate the finance scope out of the Executive Committee and form a new, standing "Finance Committee" passes with 20 votes and 54.1 percent of voting weight present.** Option A-13; Option B-20:

Abstain-1. (Option A: Bailey, Birdseye, Coler, Darling, Kobata, Malhi, Nakamura, Scales-Preston, Shaw, Szakats, Thiel, Toms, and Verose. Option B: Alessio, Andre, Beckman, Belotz, Hoffman, Jacobs, Kircher Jr., Kullaway, Llorens-Gulati, Martinez, McCormick, Painter, Palmares, Perrey, Sackett and Wilkinson voted for option B. Abstain: Ktsanes. Absent: Brown, Pabon-Alvarado, Sandhu and Thier).

Action 2: It was M/S/C (Nakamura/Scales-Preston) **for the Executive Committee to draft the scope of the Finance Committee to bring to the full board for approval.** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. (Absent: Brown, Pabon-Alvarado, Sandhu and Thier).

## **9. MCE Public Officials Code of Ethics (Discussion/Action)**

Chair Scales-Preston removed this item.

Action: No action required.

## **10. Customer Programs Update (Discussion)**

Chair Scales-Preston deferred this item to a future Board of Directors Meeting.

Action: No action required.

**11. Board & Staff Matters (Discussion)**

Comments were made by Directors Kullaway, Wilkinson, and Andre

**12. Adjournment**

Chair Scales-Preston adjourned the meeting at 11:23 p.m. to the next scheduled Board Meeting on December 18, 2025.

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Shanelle Scales-Preston

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**Shanelle Scales-Preston, Chair**

**Attest:**

Signed by:

Dawn Weisz

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**Dawn Weisz, Secretary**