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Friday, January 13, 2023

MWRA Advisory Board Office
100 First Avenue, Boston, MA 02129
with Remote Connection via Zoom
10:00 AM

Attendees

Michael Rademacher	Arlington	Richard Raiche	Somerville
David Manugian	Bedford	Sam Stivers	Southborough
Jay Hersey	Brookline	Susan Herman	Stoughton
John Sanchez	Burlington	Joseph Foti	MWRA Board of Directors
Cat Fox-Lent	Chelsea	Andrew Pappastergion	MWRA Board of Directors
David Pavlik	Lexington	Joe Favaloro	Advisory Board Staff
Lou Taverna	Newton	Matthew Romero	Advisory Board Staff
Yem Lip	Malden	James Guidor	Advisory Board Staff
Elena Proakis-Ellis	Melrose		

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

A. Opening Roll Call

A commencing roll call was voted as follows:

Name	Community	Vote
Michael Rademacher	Arlington	Yes (remote)
David Manugian	Bedford	
John P. Sullivan, Jr.	Boston	
Jay Hersey	Brookline	Yes (remote)
John G. Sanchez	Burlington	Yes (remote)
Julie Greenwood-Torelli	Cambridge	Yes (remote)
Cate Fox-Lent	Chelsea	Yes (remote)
David Pavlik	Lexington	Yes (remote)
Yem Lip	Malden	
Maurice Handel	MAPC	Yes (remote)
Elena Proakis Ellis	Melrose	Yes (remote)
Lou Taverna	Newton	Yes
Nicholas J. Rystrom	Revere	
Brendan O'Regan	Saugus	
Richard Raiche	Somerville	Yes
Sam Stivers	Southborough	Yes
John P. DeAmicis	Stoneham	Yes

B. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director, Joe Favaloro, noted that the future workspace for the Advisory Board is coming along at the MWRA Chelsea facility. Staff continue to determine which files and equipment will be moved, discarded, or electronically stored. Discussion among communities regarding system expansion and the public health challenges related to PFAS continue to convene.



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C. 2022 Water and Sewer Retail Rate Survey

Director of Finance, James Guidod, presented the data collected in the 2022 Water and Sewer Retail Rate Survey. The full survey is available in the [Advisory Board Document Library](#).

D. ACTION ITEM - Timeline and process for electing an Advisory Board representative to the MWRA Board of Directors

The Executive Committee discussed a process for electing an Advisory Board representative to the open seat on the MWRA Board of Directors. The following timeline was established:

January 19: Process and timeline presented to the Advisory Board

March 3: Final day to submit letter of intent and resume to serve for either or both Board elections

March 10: Interviews of candidates for both elections. Nomination of candidate(s) by Executive Committee

March 16: Separate elections for both:

1. Unexpired term through June 30, 2023
2. 3-year term from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2026

John Sanchez moved for the selection process, as noted above, to be adopted for the election of the and Advisory Board Representative to the MWRA Board of Directors. Richard Raiche seconded the motion, and it was added to the omnibus roll call vote for the end of the meeting.

E. ACTION ITEM - Approval of incoming Executive Director employment agreement

The Executive Committee discussed the employment agreement for the incoming Executive Director as developed by a subcommittee. It was decided for the subcommittee to meet again for further development.

F. A Presentation of Difference Maker Awards

Executive Director, Joe Favaloro, noted that over the next 6 months, he would be awarding “Difference Maker” awards to Individuals who were influential to the success of the Advisory Board and it’s mission.

G. Action Item: Approval of the January 19, 2023 Advisory Board meeting agenda

Maurice Handel moved for the approval of the January 19, 2023 Advisory Board meeting agenda. John DeAmicis seconded the motion, and it was added to the omnibus roll call vote for the end of the meeting.

H. Action Item: Approval of Executive Committee meeting minutes from November 17, 2022

Richard Raiche moved for the approval of Executive Committee meeting minutes from November 17, 2022. Maurice Handel seconded the motion, and it was added to the omnibus roll call vote for the end of the meeting.



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I. Approvals and Adjournment

Maurice Handel moved for the adjournment of the meeting following the omnibus roll call vote. David Manugian seconded the motion.

A roll call vote for:

- Timeline and process for electing an Advisory Board representative to the MWRA Board of Directors
- Approval of the January 19, 2022 Advisory Board meeting agenda
- Approval of Executive Committee meeting minutes from November 17, 2022
- Meeting Adjournment

was made and was voted as follows:

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Respectfully submitted,

Michael W. Rademacher, Secretary

These minutes reflect the discussion of the meeting. The Advisory Board maintains audio recordings of Executive Committee meetings that are available upon request.