

California Tahoe Conservancy  
Agenda Item 2a  
June 15, 2023

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 1, 2023**

**February 1, 2023 (9:30 a.m.) Board Meeting**

Staff drafted the minutes from the same-day audio recording and transcription, which Foothill Transcription Company prepared and then certified on February 26, 2023.

**Agenda Item 1. Roll Call**

Vice Chair Cindy Gustafson called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m. The Board met in person at Lake Tahoe Community College in the Lisa Maloff University Center, rooms U112 and U113.

**Members Present:**

Bryan Cash, California Natural Resources Agency  
Cindy Gustafson, Vice Chair, Placer County  
Jay Hansen, Public Member  
Brooke Laine, El Dorado County  
Erick Walker, USDA Forest Service, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit (ex officio)  
Tamara Wallace, City of South Lake Tahoe

**Members Absent:**

Gayle Miller, Department of Finance  
Adam Acosta, Public Member

**Others Present:**

Jason Vasques, Executive Director  
Jane Freeman, Deputy Director  
Michael Steeves, General Counsel  
Danae Aitchison, Deputy Attorney General

**Agenda Item 2. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda**

There were no public comments.

**Agenda Item 3. Conservancy Board Community Engagement Training (discussion only)**

Dr. Tamu Green and Jillyan McKinney from the Equity and Wellness Institute (EqWI) presented a training to the Board on community engagement. The training is part of the Conservancy's commitment to embedding diversity, equity and inclusion into all aspects of its work. EqWI designed the training to strengthen the Board's understanding of how institutions can meaningfully address inequities, with a focus on community engagement in the Lake Tahoe Basin. EqWI acquainted the Board with the work it has conducted to date, including presenting staff, Board, and stakeholder perspectives on the Conservancy's current efforts and future aspirations. The training also explored models and example best practices from other government agencies that are working to become trusted, responsive institutions for all their constituents.

There were no public comments.

**Agenda Item 4. Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act Training (discussion only)**

Ms. Danae Aitchison presented a training to the Board regarding compliance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Bagley-Keene).

There were no additional Board comments or comments from the public.

**Agenda Item 5. Conservancy Chair and Vice-Chair Election (action)**

The Board members discussed the election of a new Chair and Vice Chair. Although Mr. Acosta was not present at the meeting, Mr. Hansen clarified that he had Mr. Acosta's permission to nominate him as Chair.

**Ms. Gustafson motioned for Mr. Acosta to be elected Chair and Ms. Laine seconded the motion. Mr. Acosta was elected Chair by unanimous vote.**

**Ms. Laine nominated Ms. Wallace as Vice Chair, and Ms. Gustafson seconded the motion. Ms. Wallace was elected Vice Chair by unanimous vote.**

**Agenda Item 6. Board Member Comment**

There were no additional comments from the Board.

Mr. Vasques thanked Ms. Gustafson for leading the Board meeting and thanked the entire Board for participating in the community engagement and Bagley-Keene trainings.

**Agenda Item 7. Adjourn**

Ms. Gustafson adjourned the meeting at 12:19 p.m.

California Tahoe Conservancy  
Resolution 23-06-01  
Adopted: June 15, 2023

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the February 1, 2023 meeting of the California Tahoe Conservancy adopted on June 15, 2023.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 15th day of June, 2023.

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Jason Vasques  
Executive Director