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Tuesday, September 16, 2025

The Board convened at May Lee State Office Complex Auditorium, 651 Bannon Street, Sacramento, at 10:03 a.m., with Mr. Gaines, Chairman, Ms. Lieber, Vice Chair, Mr. Vazquez, and Mr. Schaefer present; and Mr. Emran present on behalf of Ms. Cohen in accordance with Government Code, section 7.9. A quorum was established.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Schaefer.

Mary Cichetti, Clerk, Board Proceedings, provided guidelines for public participation and other meeting procedures.

Informational Hearing

Mr. Schaefer and Ms. Lieber made introductory remarks regarding the Informational Hearing on *Workforce Housing by Public Agencies* to discuss opportunities for public agencies to develop affordable employee housing and the possible impact these efforts may have on property taxation.

Ms. Lieber introduced Richard Barrera, Deputy State Superintendent, California Department of Education, who gave a presentation on the State Superintendent of Public Instruction's Education Workforce Housing Initiative.

The Board recessed at 11:08 a.m. and reconvened at 11:19 a.m. with Mr. Gaines, Ms. Lieber, Mr. Vazquez, Mr. Schaefer, and Mr. Emran present.

Ms. Lieber introduced Lee Dulgeroff, Senior Executive Director, Facilities, Planning & Construction, San Diego Unified School District, who gave a presentation on affordable education workforce housing at San Diego Unified School District.

Ms. Lieber introduced Holly Fraumeni De Jesus, Partner, Lighthouse Public Affairs, who gave a presentation on the challenges and opportunities for public agency workforce housing.

Members made closing remarks regarding the Informational Hearing on *Workforce Housing by Public Agencies*. Mr. Gaines invited persons who wish to address the Board regarding the matter to come forward, but none provided comment.

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The Board recessed at 12:26 p.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. with Mr. Gaines, Ms. Lieber, Mr. Vazquez, Mr. Schaefer, and Mr. Emran present.

Consent Agenda

MOTION: Mr. Vazquez made a motion to adopt the consent agenda including the Board Meeting Minutes of August 20, 2025, as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Emran. The motion passed. Mr. Gaines, Ms. Lieber, Mr. Vazquez, Mr. Schaefer, and Mr. Emran voted yes.

Executive Director's Reports

Yvette M. Stowers, Executive Director, reported on the status of pending and upcoming organizational issues.

Lisa Renati, Chief Deputy Director, reported on the status of operational priorities.

Lisa Thompson, Taxpayers' Rights Advocate, reported on the workload of the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate Office.

David Yeung, Deputy Director, Property Tax Department, reported on the status of pending and upcoming projects, activities, and departmental issues. Lauren Keach, Chief, County-Assessed Properties Division, reported on the status of Letters to Assessors, and the Appraisal Training and Certification Program. Jack McCool, Chief, State-Assessed Properties Division, reported on the status of pending and upcoming projects and activities for the Division.

Ted Angelo, Chief, Legislative, Research & Statistics Division, reported on administrative and program related legislative bills impacting the BOE.

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Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda

Mr. Gaines invited persons who wish to address the Board regarding items not on the agenda to come forward. Mary Cichetti, Clerk, Board Proceedings, read into the record written comments from:

Giovanina Biondi

Barbara Halleybone

Closing

Members made commemorative comments and closing remarks.

The Board adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

The foregoing minutes are adopted by the Board on October 21, 2025.

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Pending Board Approval