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VOTING MODERNIZATION BOARD
BOARD MEETING
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10:34 A.M.

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A P P E A R A N C E S

- VOTING BOARD:
- Stephen Kaufman, Chair
 - June A. Lagmay
 - Gabriel Sandoval
 - Teri Holoman

- SECRETARY OF STATE:
- Stacey Jarrett
 - Katherine Montgomery
 - Robbie Anderson
 - Jana Lean

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1 Thursday, July 23, 2015 at 10:34 a.m.

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3 MR. KAUFMAN: We are calling this
4 meeting to order. Is this on? It doesn't
5 matter. Good to see that we have an overflow
6 crowd today. People are dying to get into
7 these meetings.

8 Katherine, you want to call the role?

9 MS. MONTGOMERY: Stephen Kaufman.

10 MR. KAUFMAN: Here.

11 MS. MONTGOMERY: Teri Holoman.

12 MR. HOLOMAN: Here.

13 MS. MONTGOMERY: June Awano Lagmay.

14 MS. AWANO LAGMAY: Present.

15 MS. MONTGOMERY: Gabriel Sandoval.

16 MR. SANDOVAL: Present.

17 MR. KAUFMAN: It's good to see you're all
18 here. We do not have any public comment nor
19 any public. So let's move ahead to Item
20 Number 4 which is the adoption of the
21 June 2nd, 2015 Action and Meeting Minutes,
22 which are -- should be in the notebooks. We
23 have the transcript of the meeting, along with
24 the action items.

25 Do we have a motion to approve the

1 action items and the meeting transcript?

2 MS. AWANO LAGMAY: I so move with, again, a
3 couple of corrections such as it's -- it's
4 Dean not Deanna. I think that should be
5 corrected for the record.

6 MS. MONTGOMERY: Agreed.

7 MR. KAUFMAN: Do you have a second?

8 MS. HOLOMAN: I second.

9 MR. KAUFMAN: All in favor of approval
10 say aye.

11 (Unanimous aye.)

12 MR. KAUFMAN: Any opposed? Okay.

13 All right. Next we're going to go
14 to Item 5 on the agenda which is a closed
15 session meeting that we are holding pursuant
16 -- to discuss pending litigation pursuant to
17 Government Code Section 11126(e) with regard
18 to the matter entitled Holtzman versus
19 California Voting Modernization Board,
20 Superior Court of California Case Number -- my
21 eyes are going to let me down --
22 34-2015-80002106.

23 So we will adjourn for a closed
24 session on this matter.

25 (Closed session held off the record.)

1 MR. KAUFMAN: Okay. Let's go back on
2 the record. We returned from closed session.
3 And we are going to now proceed with Item
4 Number 6, which is the Project Documentation Plan
5 Review and Funding Award Approval for Los
6 Angeles County, and I am just going to say in
7 closed session we were briefed again with
8 respect to the Holtzman litigation, which does
9 relate to the funding award.

10 And with respect to the funding award
11 authorization that we provided to Los Angeles
12 County at last month's June 2nd meeting, the
13 pending litigation certainly jeopardizes the
14 ability of the payment of bond funds to L.A.
15 County, but I think it also jeopardizes any
16 actions that come before the board while that
17 litigation is pending.

18 And creates an issue for the issuance
19 of bonds relating to funding awards made by
20 this board on a more global basis. So I am
21 going to suggest that the board consider
22 rescinding our funding award letter to L.A.
23 County from the last -- from our last meeting.
24 And I would entertain a motion from any of my
25 fellow board members introduce -- I would

1 request a motion that would rescind the
2 board's action of June 2nd, 2015, in issuing
3 the funding award letter to Los Angeles County
4 for the research and development of the
5 county's voting system.

6 Is anybody so inclined to propose that
7 motion?

8 MS. HOLOMAN: I move.

9 MR. KAUFMAN: Teri so moves. Do I
10 have a second?

11 MS. AWANO LAGMAY: I will second.

12 MR. KAUFMAN: Anybody want to have
13 further discussion on this issue? Okay.

14 Katherine, you want to take roll?

15 MS. MONTGOMERY: Stephen Kaufman.

16 MR. KAUFMAN: Aye.

17 MS. MONTGOMERY: Teri Holoman.

18 MS. HOLOMAN: Aye.

19 MS. MONTGOMERY: June Awano Lagmay.

20 MS. AWANO LAGMAY: Aye.

21 MS. MONTGOMERY: Gabriel Sandoval.

22 MR. SANDOVAL: Aye.

23 MR. KAUFMAN: So it's rescinded.

24 Procedurally, Katherine or Jana, how
25 are we candidly going to go about that? Will

1 there be another letter that I sign rescinding
2 it?

3 MS. MONTGOMERY: I imagine we will get
4 you a letter - this is new territory. We can
5 certainly draft a letter for your signature.

6 MR. KAUFMAN: Does everybody feel like
7 that's the appropriate way to deal with it?

8 MS. AWANO LAGMAY: That sounds good.

9 MR. ANDERSON: Yes.

10 MR. KAUFMAN: You draft it up, I will
11 take a look at it, and we will be prepared to
12 do that. Okay.

13 Then other business of the board, we
14 have some meetings that are scheduled, so why
15 don't we discuss upcoming meetings. I know
16 that we have one proposed in August.

17 MS. MONTGOMERY: We have a meeting
18 already set up. Well, we've already agreed to
19 it for Thursday, August 13th. We just need to
20 decide where you would like to have it.

21 MR. KAUFMAN: Okay. And I am
22 available. I think we mentioned, preliminary
23 conversations, I am available in either
24 location. If we do it in Sacramento, I prefer
25 that be the first part of the day like this

1 meeting so I can get back to L.A. Others?

2 MS. AWANO LAGMAY: Either location is fine
3 with me.

4 MR. SANDOVAL: Same.

5 MS. HOLOMAN: Same.

6 MS. MONTGOMERY: If all things are the
7 same, it's easier for us to facility wise to
8 have the meeting up here. We have
9 difficulties in Los Angeles as you see.

10 MS. LEAN: We can try with Los Angeles.
11 We would like to work with you.

12 MR. KAUFMAN: It sounds like everybody
13 is okay doing it either place.

14 MS. HOLOMAN: As the only person that
15 lives in Sacramento, I am fine to be in Los
16 Angeles if that's easier. I don't have
17 meetings on Friday. It's easier.

18 MR. KAUFMAN: Well, I understand
19 probably it's easier for the staff for all of
20 us to be here. Then move all of them --

21 MR. ANDERSON: We should consider
22 George's schedule --

23 MR. KAUFMAN: The one consideration is
24 counsel up here to the extent that we need to
25 have continuing dialogue -- so, yeah, all

1 things being equal, let's do it here.

2 Call it for 10:30 again?

3 MS. MONTGOMERY: Sure.

4 MR. KAUFMAN: Actually, you know what,
5 should we do 11:00, does 11:00 make it easier?
6 Isn't that second flight out --

7 MR. SANDOVAL: No worries.

8 MR. KAUFMAN: I might do the same,
9 come up that morning.

10 MS. MONTGOMERY: 11:00 a.m. Yeah.
11 Let's do 11:00 a.m. in Sacramento on Thursday,
12 August 13th.

13 MR. KAUFMAN: Okay. Any other
14 business that anybody wants to raise?

15 MS. MONTGOMERY: I did want to mention
16 Jana had a really good idea about adding an RSS
17 feed to our Voting Modernization Board page.
18 We have that for our initiative and referendum status
19 page. Then anybody can subscribe. We've had
20 members of the public in the past say they weren't
21 aware of our meetings to make it easier any time we
22 post an agenda, cancel a meeting, anything
23 like that, anyone who signs up for it we can
24 notify.

25 MR. KAUFMAN: Okay. And can we -- I

1 don't know what kind of record we've had of
2 people who have made public comments in the
3 last couple of years at our meetings. Can we
4 maybe do something -- e-mail out that we're
5 going to have that function on our Web site?

6 MS. MONTGOMERY: Like notify people
7 that --

8 MR. KAUFMAN: Yeah, something like
9 that, members of the public who have spoken,
10 we can say we have this notification provision
11 on our Web site you can sign up for. I am
12 sure you get all the notices.

13 MS. MONTGOMERY: Sure.

14 MR. KAUFMAN: That wouldn't be a bad
15 idea.

16 Okay good. All right. Motion to
17 adjourn? Anybody? I will make a motion to
18 adjourn. Do we have a second?

19 MS. AWANO LAGMAY: I will second.

20 MR. KAUFMAN: All in favor?

21 (Unanimous aye.)

22 MR. KAUFMAN: This meeting is
23 adjourned.

24 (Meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.)

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13 parties.

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17 DATED: July 29, 2015,

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