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PROCEEDINGS

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Why don't we get started so we don't lose a quorum.

Let's get to Item Number 2, Call to Order and Roll Call.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: We have Michael Bustamante?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Here.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Tal Finney?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: Present.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Carl Guardino?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Carl?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: I can barely hear, if anyone's talking.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: We're turning the mike on.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Carl Guardino?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Yes.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Okay. He's present.

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: I'm in a room with a server, so it's really hard to hear.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Public comment, do we have any cards?

STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN: No cards.
ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Item Number 4, adoption of the February 15 minutes. Does anybody have any comments or changes they want to make to this?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: I'll move that.

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Second.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Mr. Finney moves and Mr. Guardino seconds.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Michael Bustamante?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Aye.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Tal Finney?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: Aye.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Carl Guardino?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Aye.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Motion passes.

Get to Item Number Five, Calaveras County. Jana, you want to give a report.

STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN: Calaveras County is moving forward today, and we recommend funding them 194 -- we'll get this going.

STAFF COUNSEL KANOTZ: I don't think any of the mikes are on.

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: Is the staff still giving their report?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Not yet. Hold
BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: I'll give you a heads up. I'm going to be going upstairs in the elevator, so I might get cut off and have to call back in.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Go ahead.

STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN: Calaveras County is moving forward with purchasing the ES&S Model 100 precinct counters, 22 units; and ES&S AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminals, 20 units. Staff recommends funding of $194,438.25. The County is not going to use their full allocation.

Calaveras County anticipates receiving this new voting equipment between late January 2006 through mid-April of 2006. And the County plans to begin using this equipment for the June 6, 2006, primary election. The voter verified paper audit trail does not apply to this system as it is a paper-based optical scan system.

Calaveras County's project documentation package meets the requirements for completeness. The ES&S Model 100 Optical Scan Units and the ES&S AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminals are certified for use in California.

Calaveras County is converting from the Datavote Punch Card System, and their Committee selected the ES&S Optical Scan AutoMARK voting system as it appears to them to offer the greatest accessibility for disabled voters.
The County has asserted that the cost of the ES&S voting equipment is significantly less than other systems, thus allowing the County to utilize federal funding for additional HAVA related projects such as voter education and outreach, training, et cetera.

The Model 100s and the AutoMARK units will be implemented completely, as I said, during the June 6th, 2006, primary. Calaveras County is developing an extensive voter outreach program to introduce the new voting system to the voters.

After the June 6, 2006, election, the County will be asking poll workers and field coordinators to provide them with written comments about the new system and associated election processes. The County has retained an outside consultant to visit the polling places in their county on election day to provide the County Registrar with reports about successes and any issues the voting system provides.

Calaveras County believes that the deployment of the Model 100 Optical Scan Voting System Units combined with the AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminals will bring the County into compliance with the Help America Vote Act and the State accessibility requirements.

Calaveras County will only receive VMB payments once it has submitted detailed invoices for the certified
voting equipment. Please note that the staff proposed funding award is based upon allowable reimbursement under Proposition 41 for the voting equipment hardware and software only. The election support services and installation line items listed in Calaveras County's contract with ES&S would not be covered as a reimbursable claim under Proposition 41.

It is our staff recommendation that Calaveras County's Project Documentation Plan be approved and a Funding Award Letter be issued in the amount of $194,438.25.

Any questions?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Carl or Tal, do either of you have any questions?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: I don't.

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Neither do I.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Is there someone from Calaveras County here who'd like to --

STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN: We have ROV Karen Varni.

MS. VARNI: Good morning. Karen Varni, Calaveras County Registrar of Voters. And I don't have any extra comments or any additional comments. Just if you had any questions.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Have you already received machines?
MS. VARNI: We have received our Model 100s, and we have this Thursday scheduled for acceptance testing. We expect the AutoMARKs to be in either later this week or next week.

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: I don't know if Tal can hear the person speaking.

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: Yeah, I can't hear at all.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: She'll have to speak into the mike.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: She said they have already received some of the machines. They anticipate receiving others and going through testing Thursday.

MS. VARNI: On Thursday our acceptance testing is scheduled for the 100s.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Right.

Do we have a motion?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: I'll move acceptance of the report.

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Second.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Michael Bustamante?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Aye.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Tal Finney?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: Aye.
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Carl Guardino?
BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Aye.
ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Next item is El Dorado County. Tal, there's no issue there; right?
BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: I don't think so. Let me think for a second. Unrelated issue.
STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN: So El Dorado County is moving forward. They're purchasing the Diebold AccuVote Optical Scan, 123 units, and the AccuVote-TSX with the printer, 130 units.
Staff is recommending a funding award amount of $877,911.89. This is not their full VMB formula allocation.
El Dorado County anticipates receiving its voting equipment by mid-March this month. The County plans to begin using this equipment in the June 6th, 2006, primary election. The AccuVote-TSX units do provide a voter verified paper audit trail. They do have the printer.
El Dorado County's Project Documentation Plan meets the requirements for completeness. The Diebold AccuVote Optical Scan Units and the AccuVote-TSX Touch Screen Units are certified for use in California. El Dorado County will be converting from the Datavote Punch Card Voting System.
Can we take one moment?

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(Thereupon there was a pause in the proceedings.)

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: Sorry about that. I lost you halfway through the staff report.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: We're back with a quorum. Sorry for the interruption.

STAFF COUNSEL LEAN: El Dorado County will be converting from the Datavote Punch Card Voting System to a blended optical scan touch screen voting system. El Dorado County believes the deployment of one optical scan unit and one DRE unit in the polling place will bring the County into full compliance with the requirements of the Help America Vote Act. The DRE units will provide access to voters with disabilities and will also satisfy the second choice voting requirements by not allowing overvotes and identify undervotes to each voter.

El Dorado County's currently developing an extensive voter outreach program to introduce the new voting system to its voters. The County plans to hold demonstrations of the new voting equipment at community events and also plans to involve both the media to promote the new voting system.

El Dorado County has retained an outside consultant to assist with the development of a project plan to fully implement the new voting system. El Dorado County will only receive VMB payments when it has
submitted detailed invoices for certified voting equipment. Please note the staff proposed funding award is based upon allowable reimbursements under Proposition 41 for voting equipment hardware and software only. The ancillary services and extended warranty line items listed in El Dorado County's contract with Diebold would not be covered as reimbursable claims under Proposition 41.

It is our staff recommendation that the El Dorado County Project Documentation Plan be approved and a Funding Award Letter be issued in the amount of $877,911.89.

Do we have any questions?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Either of you have any questions on this?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: So everything stays certified for use in California?

STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN: Correct.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Yeah, the machine's certified for use in California.

Carl?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: No. Not at all.

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: I'll move adoption of staff report.

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Second.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Anybody from El
Dorado County want to say anything? You don't have to if you don't want to.

STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN: Bill Schultz is here, Registrar of El Dorado County.

MR. SCHULTZ: Good morning. Bill Schultz, Registrar of Voters and County Recorder Clerk for El Dorado County.

I'd just like to say that this has been a long process. Finally, the machines are certified completely, both federally and State certified. We're happy to get on with the system. We expect the machines in either within the next week or so, or no later than the middle of April. We're also undergoing an extensive remodeling that's going to make our election process one of the most transparent in the state we believe. So we're really looking forward to this. We're all excited. Thank you.

Any questions?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Anybody have any questions?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: The part I could hear I didn't have any questions on.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Katherine.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Michael Bustamante?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Aye.
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Tal Finney?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: Aye.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Carl Guardino?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Carl?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Aye.

I couldn't hear my name called. Sorry.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: We'll go to Inyo County.

STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN: Inyo County, they are purchasing the Sequoia AVC Edge DRE Units, 45 units, with the VeriVote 56 units, and also the Optech Insight Ballot Tabulator, two units.

Staff is recommending funding of $158,387.99, their full allocation.

Inyo County has secured its voting equipment, and this equipment was used for the full time during the November 2005 special statewide election. The AVC Edge DRE units purchased by Inyo include a VeriVote printer which is a voter-verified paper audit trail.

Inyo County's Project Documentation Plan meets the requirements for completeness. And the Sequoia AVC Edge DRE units, the VeriVote printers, and Optech Insight units are certified for use in California.

Inyo County converted from the Datavote Punch Card Voting System. Inyo County purchased only DRE units
for the polling places and optical scan for absentee and vote by mail. The County believes it would be too complicated for poll workers to work with two different systems, so they decided only to provide the DRE units at the polling sites.

In order to avoid implementing its new voting system during a complicated California primary election, the County decided to implement the new system during the November 2005 special statewide election. This provided the County with an excellent opportunity to introduce the new voting equipment to its voters and poll workers.

Inyo County believes the deployment of the DRE units in the polling places will bring the County into full compliance with the requirements of Help America Vote Act.

Inyo County will only receive VMB payments once it has submitted detailed invoices for its certified voting equipment. Please note the staff proposed funding award is based upon allowable reimbursements under Proposition 41 for voting equipment hardware and software only, and installation of training items listed in Inyo County's contract with Sequoia would not be covered as a reimbursable claim under Proposition 41.

It is our staff recommendation that Inyo County's Project Documentation Plan be approved and a Funding Award
Letter be issued in the amount of $158,387.99.

There is no representative from Inyo here today.

They were unable to attend.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE:  Tal or Carl, do you have any questions?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO:  No.

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY:  None for me.

I'll move approval of the staff report.

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO:  Second.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE:  Very good.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY:  Michael Bustamante?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE:  Aye.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY:  Tal Finney?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY:  Aye.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY:  Carl Guardino?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO:  Aye.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE:  Next item up is San Luis Obispo County.

STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN:  San Luis Obispo County is implementing their voting modernization in two phases. Their first phase is brought forward to us today. Staff recommends funding for their Phase 1 at $399,188.25. They're purchasing the ES&S AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminals, 110 units.
San Luis Obispo County anticipates receiving the AutoMARK units by mid-March 2006, and the County plans to begin using the AutoMARK units for the first time during the June 6, 2006, primary election.

The VVPAT requirement does not apply to San Luis Obispo's Phase 1 project documentation as the system is a paper-based optical scan system.

San Luis Obispo County's Phase 1 Project Document Plan meets the requirements for completeness, and the ES&S AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminals are certified for use in California.

San Luis Obispo will continue to use its existing Diebold AccuVote Optical Scan Precinct Ballot Tabulator voting equipment. The County plans to augment this optical scan equipment with the placement of one AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminal units in every polling place in San Luis County.

San Luis Obispo County believes the deployment of the Phase 1 AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminal units will bring the County into compliance with the Help America Vote Act and the State accessibility requirements, as AutoMARK allows voters with a variety of disabilities to vote privately and independently.

During the Phase 2 portion of San Luis Obispo County's Voting System Modernization Plan, the County
intends to purchase ES&S optical scan equipment to be used
with the AutoMARK to fully integrate the voting systems
and election processes into the county. San Luis Obispo
County does not intend to purchase its Phase 2 plan until
after the November 2006 election.

San Luis Obispo County will only receive VMB
payments once it has submitted detailed invoices for its
certified voting equipment. Please note the staff
proposed funding award is based upon allowable
reimbursements under Proposition 41 for voting equipment
hardware and software only. The election support services
and installation line items listed in San Luis Obispo
County's contract with ES&S will not be covered as a
reimbursable claim under Proposition 41.

It is our staff recommendation that the San Luis
Obispo County's Phase 1 Project Documentation Plan be
approved and a Funding Award Letter be issued in the
amount of $399,188.25.

Do you have any questions?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Yeah. I've got a
couple. Is anybody here from San Luis Obispo?

MS. RODEWALD: Julie Rodewald, County
Clerk-Recorder from San Luis Obispo County.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: How are you
today?
MS. RODEWALD: Good.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: When do you plan on coming back for the remaining allocation?

MS. RODEWALD: We would plan on carrying through with that contract probably prior to the November election, so sometime October, November, December. We haven't really decided. I think it depends on how everything goes and what our timing is, but certainly before the end of this year.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: You know what? I read this wrong. You do not intend to do it before the November election?

MS. RODEWALD: Yeah. We're not going to purchase the equipment before. We're not going to implement it before the November election. But we will be purchasing it before the end of the year with plans on implementing prior to 2008.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: How does the AutoMARK allow voters with disabilities to vote privately?

MS. RODEWALD: I don't know if you've seen the machines, but we do have a secrecy screen that sits on top of the AutoMARK. So when the ballot feeds into it, depending on what their disability is, they can either use the ballot that's displayed on the touch screen or they can use the headphones.
ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: There is an audio component?

MS. RODEWALD: Yes. There is definitely an audio component. And they can use either braille keypads, sip and puff device, or foot peddle device that they would bring themselves. We do have the braille keypad and the headphones available for our voters.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Great.

Anybody have any questions, Carl or Tal?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: No. Not here.

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: Nothing here.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Okay. Do we have a motion?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: I'll move approval.

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Second.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Great.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Michael Bustamante?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Aye.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Tal Finney?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: Aye.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Carl Guardino?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Aye.

STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN: Let's move on to Sierra.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Sierra County.
STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN: Sierra County is moving forward. The staff is recommending approval of their full allocation of $43,825.14. Sierra County is purchasing the Diebold AccuVote Optical Scan Precinct Optical Scan Counters, two units; and the Central Count Optical Scan, two units; and also the AccuVote-TSX with the printer, four units.

Sierra County anticipates receiving this new equipment by late March 2006, and the County plans to begin using this equipment in the June 6, 2006, primary election. The AccuVote-TSX units with the AccuVote printer components being purchased by Sierra County includes a voter-verified paper audit receipt which is a VVPAT component.

Sierra County's Project Documentation Plan meets the requirements for completeness, and the Diebold AccuVote Optical Scan Precinct and Central Optical Scan equipment and the AccuVote-TSX units are certified for use in California. Sierra County will be converting from the Datavote Punch Card Voting System.

Sierra County is the second smallest county in California with approximately 2200 registered voters, and 54 percent of these registered voters are designated as voting by absentee ballot. Sierra County has conducted the last three county-wide elections as all-mail ballot.
elections and asserts it has received a good response from its voters.

At this time, Sierra County intends to designate all of its precincts as mail ballot precincts for the upcoming June 6, 2006, primary election. The County plans to have one DRE unit within the elections office for voters as needed. The County is aware of potential for population growth in the county and the possibility it may no longer be able to conduct all-mail ballot precinct elections. Therefore, Sierra County's Voting System Modernization Plan includes the purchase of two precinct count units to be used with the DRE units in polling places in the county.

The County intends to involve its two local newspapers to inform voters about the new voting system. It also plans to distribute flyers to medical and senior facilities in the county on how to mark the ballots and how to use the new touch screen voting equipment. The County plans to replace one DRE unit as a drop box location during the November 2006 general election.

Sierra County will only receive VMB payments once it has submitted detailed invoices for its certified voting equipment. Please note that the staff proposed funding award is based upon allowable reimbursement under Proposition 41 for voting equipment hardware and software.
only. The support service line items listed in Sierra County's contract with Diebold would not be covered as a reimbursable claim under Proposition 41.

It is our recommendation that Sierra County's Project Document Plan be approved and the Funding Award Letter be issued in the amount of $43,825.14.

Any questions?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Does anybody have any questions?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: None for me.

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: What was the total number?


BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: I'm fine with everything but the 42 cents.

(Laughter)

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Is there anybody here from Sierra County that wants to say anything?

MS. JUNGI: Thank you.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: I have a couple questions.

MS. JUNGI: My name is Mary Jungi from Sierra County. And your question?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Are you the only county in the state that does mail ballot precincts?

MS. JUNGI: No. Alpine County also does their
elections by mail.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: What's the turnout? I mean, the voter turnout generally speaking.

MS. JUNGI: In the last November election, it was 69.5 percent, which isn't bad considering what the election was about. One of the previous elections was 82.5, 82.6. We do receive a good turnout. And having the process of having elections by mail for three to four elections, our county is well used to it and tend to like it. We get a lot of positive feedback on that.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Wow.

MS. JUNGI: Yeah.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Thank you. I was just curious.

Any other questions? No.

Do we have a motion?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: I move.

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: I second.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Moved by Carl, seconded by Tal.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Michael Bustamante?

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Aye.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Tal Finney?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: Aye.
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Carl Guardino?

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Aye.

MS. JUNGI: I'd like to thank you all for your time. Thanks.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Next up we have Tuolumne County.

STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN: Tuolumne County, they're purchasing the ES&S Model 100 precinct ballot counter 50 units; the ES&S Voter Assist Terminals, 50 units; the ES&S 650 high-speed central count ballot counters, two units. Staff is recommending funding of their full formula allocation of $410,726.23.

Tuolumne County received its voting equipment between October 2005 and February 2006. The County plans to begin using this equipment in the June 6th, 2006, primary election.

The voter-verified paper audit trail does not apply to the system as it is a paper-based optical scan system.

Tuolumne County's Project Documentation Plan meets the requirement for completeness. The ES&S Model 100 and Model 650 and the AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminals are certified for use in California.

Tuolumne County is upgrading its current ES&S Model 550 optical scan high-speed central counters to the
new Model 650 high-speed central count ballot counters for its use as absentee system. The County will be placing one precinct-based ballot counter and one AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminals in each polling place in the County. Tuolumne County believes the deployment of the Model 100 Optical Scan units combined with the AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminals will bring the County into compliance with the Help America Vote Act and State disability requirements. Tuolumne County believes that upgrading with its existing vendor will best provide a smooth transition to the new voting equipment machines and will meet the needs of all of its county’s voters, election staff, and poll workers.

Tuolumne County will only receive VMB payments once it has submitted detailed invoices for certified voting equipment. Please note the staff proposed funding award is based upon allowable reimbursements under Proposition 41 for voting equipment hardware and software only. The election support services and warranty line items listed in Tuolumne County’s contract with ES&S would not be covered as reimbursable payment under Proposition 41.

It is our recommendation that Tuolumne County’s Project Documentation Plan be approved and the Funding Award Letter be issued in the amount of $410,726.23.

Do you have any questions?
BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: No questions here.
BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: No questions are for me.
ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: None from me.
Is someone from Tuolumne here? You don't have to say anything.

Okay. Do we have a motion?
BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: I so move.
BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: I'll second.
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Mike Bustamante?
ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Aye.
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Tal Finney?
BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: Aye.
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MONTGOMERY: Carl Guardino?
BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Aye.
ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Congratulations.

And that concludes the project documentation package review funding.

Other business, do we have other business?
STAFF CONSULTANT LEAN: The only other business, just to remind you, the next meeting will be held in Los Angeles. It will be on April 19th at 10:30 a.m. The location is still to be determined. We're still trying to find a location for that meeting. But thank you for your patience and being here today.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Great.
Do we have a motion to adjourn?

BOARD MEMBER FINNEY: I'll move it.

BOARD MEMBER GUARDINO: Second.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON BUSTAMANTE: Excellent. So moved. Thanks much.

(Thereupon the Voting Modernization Board meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.)
CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

I, TIFFANY C. KRAFT, a Certified Shorthand Reporter of the State of California, and Registered Professional Reporter, do hereby certify:

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