
MINUTES – April 9, 2025

This Albuquerque-Bernalillo County Air Quality Control Board (“Board”) meeting was conducted in a virtual format via Zoom video conference.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Galewsky called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Board Liaison Anita SdeArmijo called roll and the Chair determined a quorum was present.

Present: 7 – Dennis Armijo, Jane Cudney-Black, Thomas De Pree, Joseph Galewsky, Josephine Lopez, Nancy Montaña, Kitty Richards

Absent: 0

Chair Galewsky welcomed the newest new board member, Josephine Lopez, and she briefly spoke about her background.

Air Program Administrator Catalina Lehner gave the Zoom overview.

II. CONSENT AGENDA *(Items may be removed at the request of any Board Member)*

A. Approval of the April 9, 2025 Meeting Agenda

Vice Chair Richards stated that she had a couple of changes for the March minutes. Chair Galewsky asked if there was a motion to approve the consent agenda with the proposed change. Member Armijo moved and Member Cudney-Black seconded. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 7 – Armijo, Cudney-Black, De Pree, Galewsky, Lopez, Montaña, Richards

Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

B. Approval of the March 12, 2025 Minutes

Vice Chair Richards explained the requested changes to the minutes and asked staff to make them. Member Lopez moved to approve the March 12, 2025 Minutes. Member De Pree seconded and the motion passed by the following vote:

For: 7 – Armijo, Cudney-Black, De Pree, Galewsky, Lopez, Montaña, Richards

Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

Ms. Lehner noted that some board members were not present for the March meeting, and that the standard procedure is for them to abstain from voting on the minutes. Chair Galewsky agreed and a redo of the vote was suggested. Member Armijo moved to accept the March 12th minutes with the revision suggested by Vice Chair Richards. Member De Pree seconded and the motion passed by the following vote:

For: 4 – Armijo, Cudney-Black, De Pree, Richards

Against: 0 Abstain: 3- Galewsky, Lopez, Montaña Absent: 0

C. Nominations and Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2025-2026

In accordance with the bylaws, Member Armijo was nominated at the March meeting. Chair Galewsky opened the floor for any more nominations. Hearing none, he proceeded to call for a roll-call vote to elect Member Armijo as the new chair.

For:7 – Armijo, Cudney-Black, De Pree, Galewsky, Lopez, Montaña, Richards

Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

In accordance with the bylaws, Vice Chair Richards was nominated at the March meeting. Chair Galewsky opened the floor for any more nominations. Hearing none, he proceeded to call for a roll-call vote to elect Vice Chair Richards as the new vice chair.

For:7 – Armijo, Cudney-Black, De Pree, Galewsky, Lopez, Montaña, Richards

Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

After the vote Chair Galewsky congratulated the new officers who immediately assumed their offices in accordance with the bylaws.

Lindsay Cutler, attorney for the Pueblo of Isleta, asked if public comment could be moved to after the HEEI update. After some discussion, Chair Armijo agreed.

III. UPDATE

20.11.72 NMAC-HEEI Status

Deputy Director Terrance Smith gave a short summary that EHD is still currently working on the interactive map and making sure they have everything in order. He then stood for questions.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Genevieve Chavez Mitchell (timestamp 23:43) and Lindsay Cutler (timestamp 25:14) commented regarding the OBA map.

V. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Boards & Commissions Leadership Guide (Catalina Lehner, AQP Administrator)

Ms. Lehner gave a brief introduction on the Boards & Commissions Leadership Guide and stood for questions.

B. Presentation and Action on the final 2023 SO₂ Milestone Report in Accordance with the Section 309 Regional Haze State Implementation Plan Element, Section A3.10 (Allen Smith, Regulation Development Coordinator)

Mr. Smith gave a short presentation on the Milestone report and stood for questions. After discussion, Member Cudney-Black moved to accept the final 2023 SO₂ Milestone Report. Member Galewsky seconded. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 7 – Armijo, Cudney-Black, De Pree, Galewsky, Lopez, Montaña, Richards

Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

C. AQCB 2025-01: Petition to Amend Existing Rule 20.11.8 NMAC - Ambient Air Quality Standards (Catalina Lehner, AQP Administrator)

Ms. Lehner gave a summary of the petition and stood for questions. After a brief discussion, Member Cudney-Black moved to grant a hearing at the June 11th air board meeting at 5:30 p.m.

with herself as the hearing officer. Member Galewsky seconded. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 7 – Armijo, Cudney-Black, De Pree, Galewsky, Lopez, Montañño, Richards

Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

D. The Board will consider whether or not to go into closed session with the Board Attorney to discuss i) pending litigation: AQCB and BCC of Bernalillo County vs. CoA (202-CV-2-23-09295) and GCC Rio Grande et al vs AQCB and CoA (D-202-CV-2023-09435), and ii) appeals of Clean Cars II regulations and the HEEI regulation.

- The board will discuss, make a motion with reasonable specificity, and vote whether or not to go into closed session, following procedures outlined in Section 10-15-1 (I) of the OMA. Exceptions to open meetings are outlined in Section 10-15-1 (H).

Vice Chair Richard moved to go into closed session to discuss litigation. Member Lopez seconded. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 – Armijo, De Pree, Galewsky, Lopez, Montañño, Richards

Against: 0 Abstain: 1- Cudney-Black Absent: 0

- If there is a closed session, the Board will announce what was discussed and will make any motions based on the closed session discussion. *Topics discussed during a closed session are limited to those expressly excepted from the open meeting requirements.*

The Board was in closed session from 6:46-7:42 p.m. After coming out of closed session, Chair Armijo stated that the board discussed the pending litigation and did not vote.

E. OTHER BUSINESS

Possible Future Agenda Items

- HEEI update- OBA map presentation
- Number of public comment opportunities
- Virtual or hybrid

F. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Armijo adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING: May 14, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

SUBMITTED:

READ AND APPROVED:

Paul J. Rogers, Director
Environmental Health Department

Dennis Armijo Sr., Chair
Albuquerque-Bernalillo County Air Quality Control Board