

1 **APPEARANCES:** 2 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT: 3 JACQUELINE WONG-HERNANDEZ, Chief Deputy Director, Policy, Department of Finance, designated representative for Michael 4 Cohen, Director, Department of Finance 5 JEFFREY McGUIRE, Chief Deputy Director, Department of General Services, designated representative for Daniel Kim, 6 Director, Department of General Services 7 CESAR DIAZ, Appointee of Edmund G. Brown, Jr., Governor of the State of California 8 JUAN MIRELES, Director, School Facilities and Transportation Services Division, California Department of Education, 9 designated representative for Tom Torlakson, Superintendent 10 of Public Instruction 11 SENATOR BENJAMIN ALLEN 12 SENATOR JANET NGUYEN 13 SENATOR RICHARD PAN 14 ASSEMBLYMEMBER ADRIN NAZARIAN 15 ASSEMBLYMEMBER ROCKY CHAVEZ 16 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE ALLOCATION BOARD PRESENT: 17 LISA SILVERMAN, Executive Officer 18 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES, OFFICE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION (OPSC) PRESENT: 19 LISA SILVERMAN, Executive Officer 20 BARBARA KAMPMEINERT, Deputy Executive Officer 21 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES, OFFICE OF LEGAL SERVICES PRESENT: 22 TOM PATTON, Assistant Chief Counsel 23 24 25

1 P R O C E E D I N G S 2 3 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Good afternoon. It's 4 a little past 4:00 and we don't have a quorum yet, but we're 5 going to go ahead and start as a subcommittee so we can move 6 this process along and take up some of the informational 7 items and be respectful of everyone's time. 8 So if you are following along, we're going to start with the **Executive Officer's** report. 9 10 MS. SILVERMAN: Hi. So I wanted to share with the 11 Board a few items tonight. Just want to give the Board an 12 update on the priority funding apportionment. 13 So the Board took action on 90 projects for 14 191 million, and we have about 75 million that have come in for the funds. So that's great progress we wanted to share 15 16 with the Board, but those folks that have outstanding 17 apportionments, we need your documentation by June 19th. So 18 we've been reaching out to those folks to make sure they hit 19 the timeline. 20 And the second item is we wanted to announce that 21 the priority funding certification round is coming up and 22 that is May 9th through June 7th, so if you have an unfunded 23 approval granting you your project taken action by the 24 Board, then you have the ability to submit your 25 certification during that time frame.

And those certifications, if we received by
 June 7th, those are valid from July 1st through
 December 31st. And those projects will be eligible for a
 fall bond sale.

5 We also wanted to announce that we have been
6 active with workshops and we have two career tech education
7 workshops. One is in Van Nuys and that's on May 30th and
8 that will be at the Van Nuys State Office Building there in
9 Van Nuys, and we also have May 31st, Riverside County Office
10 of Education will be hosting a career tech education
11 workshop.

In addition -- I know it's not on here, but we've also been featuring workshops with small school districts. We actually had one executed with Department of Education and Division of State Architect and that was in Auburn last Friday.

And we're also hosting two more, one in Whittier
on May 30th and actually -- in a few weeks, we'll actually
have one in Shasta County in Redding. So if you haven't
already done so, we encourage districts to come to our
workshops. They're actually free of charge.

22 One other note on the career tech education item,
23 we did want to highlight that applications are due to
24 Department of Education on October 19th and the Executive
25 Officer's Statement has it October 30th. So that timeline

1 has been adjusted.

2 Another note is the regulations are in effect for 3 the Seismic Mitigation Program, meaning that we -- the Board 4 took action in January to approve regulations to extend the 5 program for seismic mitigation projects and additionally, 6 the regulations have been approved to have eligibility 7 updates for new construction and those regulations are in 8 effect as of April 16th. 9 And with that, the last item is May 23rd, we have 10 our next Board meeting. 11 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Welcome. 12 I think we've got a quorum, so thank you for that. 13 Actually, before we do the roll, is there any 14 public comment on the information item that was just 15 presented? Okay. Seeing none, Ms. Jones, if you'd like 16 to --17 MS. JONES: Senator Allen. 18 Senator Nguyen. 19 Senator Pan. 20 Assemblymember Nazarian. 21 ASSEMBLYMEMBER NAZARIAN: Present. 22 MS. JONES: Assemblymember Chavez. 23 ASSEMBLYMEMBER CHAVEZ: Present. 24 MS. JONES: Assemblymember O'Donnell. 25 Juan Mireles.

1 MR. MIRELES: Here. 2 MS. JONES: Cesar Diaz. 3 MR. DIAZ: Here. 4 MS. JONES: Jeffrey McGuire. 5 MR. McGUIRE: Present. 6 MS. JONES: Jacqueline Wong-Hernandez. 7 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Here. 8 MS. JONES: We have a quorum. 9 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Thank you. So the 10 State Allocation Board is officially convening and we're 11 going to move on to some action items. The first of those 12 is approving the Minutes for the March 21st meeting. 13 Hopefully, everyone has had a chance to review 14 those. Any comments from Board members? No? Any comments 15 from the public on the Minutes? Okay. Is there a motion. 16 MR. DIAZ: Motion to approve. 17 ASSEMBLYMEMBER CHAVEZ: Second. 18 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: We have a motion and 19 a second. 20 MS. JONES: Assemblymember Nazarian. 21 ASSEMBLYMEMBER NAZARIAN: Aye. 22 MS. JONES: Assemblymember Chavez. 23 ASSEMBLYMEMBER CHAVEZ: Aye. 24 MS. JONES: Juan Mireles. 25 MR. MIRELES: Aye.

1 MS. JONES: Cesar Diaz. 2 MR. DIAZ: Aye. 3 MS. JONES: Jeffrey McGuire. 4 MR. McGUIRE: Aye. 5 MS. JONES: Jacqueline Wong-Hernandez. 6 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Aye. 7 MS. JONES: And the motion carries. 8 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Thank you. 9 MS. JONES: Do you want to mention that we'll 10 leave it open? 11 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Oh, yes. I'm sorry. 12 We'll be leaving this open for other members to add on. 13 Okay. So we'll move onto the Consent Agenda next. 14 MS. SILVERMAN: The Consent Agenda is ready for 15 your approval. 16 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Okay. Unless 17 there's --18 ASSEMBLYMEMBER CHAVEZ: Move approval. 19 MR. DIAZ: Second. 20 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Great. Actually, 21 before we take the roll, was there any public comment on the 22 Consent Agenda? Okay. Seeing none, okay. Thank you. 23 MS. JONES: Assemblymember Nazarian. 24 ASSEMBLYMEMBER NAZARIAN: Aye. 25 MS. JONES: Assemblymember Chavez.

1 ASSEMBLYMEMBER CHAVEZ: Ave. 2 MS. JONES: Juan Mireles. 3 MR. MIRELES: Aye. 4 MS. JONES: Cesar Diaz. 5 MR. DIAZ: Aye. 6 MS. JONES: Jeffrey McGuire. MR. McGUIRE: Aye. 7 8 Jacqueline Wong-Hernandez. MS. JONES: 9 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Aye. And again, 10 holding that open. Okay. 11 Okay. The next item I have is another information 12 item, the Status of the Fund Releases. 13 MS. SILVERMAN: Yeah. So we wanted to draw your 14 attention to Tab 5 which is page 70 and actually we have 15 been disbursing funds as a result of the apportionments that 16 actually occurred in December. 17 So we have \$4.9 million that was disbursed in 18 March and we didn't report that outward basically because I 19 know we had a short agenda in March and also wanted to 20 highlight on page 72, we've been active with the program and 21 in summation, we actually have -- in the Consent Agenda, 22 there's 27 items that were granted for your approval today, 23 and so that equated to nearly \$77.6 million which is great 24 news for the program. And that also includes 18 projects 25 for 18.7 million and that is rescissions and recoveries.

And on page 73, we also wanted to highlight there
 was nine Emergency Repair Program grants that were also
 approved as part of the Consent Agenda and that was for
 \$1.1 million. And that's all we have.

5 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Okay. Thank you. Is
6 there any public comment on this item? Okay. Seeing none,
7 we'll move onto the next item of Status of Funds or is that
8 fully covered within the Status of Fund Releases. Okay.

9 All right. Well, then we're moving onto Tab 6,10 right? We're up for appeals.

MS. KAMPMEINERT: So our first appeal on the agenda today is for Burnt Ranch in Trinity County. This is a small, one-school school district that was before this Board in August of 2017 for a project to address mold issues throughout their entire campus that resulted in the closure of the school and the need to bring in interim housing for the students.

18 At the time, the Board approved the district for
19 an immediate apportionment for design funding. They did
20 receive that funding. They went ahead and got the necessary
21 approvals from the State Architect, Department of Education,
22 and the project is ready to go to contract right now.

23 The district is a financial hardship district
24 meaning that they are relying on the state funding at this
25 point to complete the construction project and get the kids

1 back in to the classrooms.

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So the appeal today, they are requesting that the project be approved on an immediate apportionment basis rather than waiting for the next bond sale, so that way they can get the contracts awarded and get started on construction.

7 In addition to the health and safety nature of the
8 project, they also have extreme weather circumstances where
9 they have a very small window to construct before they get
10 heavy rains.

11 There are two options for the Board. Under
12 Option 1, it would approve the project on an immediate
13 apportionment basis, allowing the district to access cash
14 very soon, and Option 2 approves the project.

It is ready for Board approval even as an unfunded approval, but staff does recommend that the Board approve Option 1 so that the district can access the cash and get started and get the kids back into their classrooms. And I'm available for any questions and the district is also here to address any questions.

21 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Thank you. And thank
22 you to your whole staff for their work on this. I know that
23 this was a lift and there was a lot of staff involvement and
24 we appreciate your efforts to bring this forward.

Are there any questions or comments from Board

1 members? Okay. Any public comment on this item? 2 So I think this is a really compelling case and I 3 would be very comfortable entertaining a motion for the 4 staff recommendation to approve the expedited apportionment. 5 ASSEMBLYMEMBER CHAVEZ: Move approval of the 6 Option 1 to expedited apportionment outside the priority funding process for the project as shown on Attachment 4. 7 8 MR. DIAZ: Second. 9 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Motion and a second. 10 MS. JONES: Okay. Senator Allen. 11 SENATOR ALLEN: Aye. 12 MS. JONES: Assemblymember Nazarian. 13 ASSEMBLYMEMBER NAZARIAN: Aye. 14 MS. JONES: Assemblymember Chavez. 15 ASSEMBLYMEMBER CHAVEZ: Aye. 16 MS. JONES: Juan Mireles. 17 MR. MIRELES: Aye. 18 MS. JONES: Cesar Diaz. 19 MR. DIAZ: Aye. 20 MS. JONES: Jeffrey McGuire. 21 MR. McGUIRE: Aye. 22 MS. JONES: Jacqueline Wong-Hernandez. 23 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Aye. And again, 24 we'll keep that roll open for others to add on. 25 MS. JONES: Yes.

1 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Okay. So 2 the next item is the San Marcos Unified Appeal. 3 MS. SILVERMAN: Yes. Tab 6, may I draw your 4 attention to page 115. So the issue at matter is the 5 district is requesting to retain unspent site acquisition 6 grants. 7 Back in December of 2010, the district received over \$14.5 million in new construction funds to build an 8 9 elementary school and with that they also received \$526,850 10 for site acquisition. 11 The district self-reported their expenditures back 12 to our office and it didn't have an audit component to it, 13 meaning we accepted expenditures as reported and the 14 district noted that they spent only \$499,999 in site 15 acquisition grants. 16 So we had sought that the district to return the 17 grants. We notified them that we accepted the expenditures 18 as reported; however, there was one condition that we 19 highlighted that the site grant specifically was unspent. 20 So that meant 50 percent of the remaining grant of 21 \$13,426 must be returned back to the state. So site 22 acquisition grants is a statutory adjustment and those 23 adjustments occur up and down, meaning there's increases 24 that we provide districts even if it is self-reported 25 information and there's also decreases, and those decreases

are also -- districts are notified of those decreases and
 funds are returned back to the state.

3 So the district is relying on a two-year audit
4 window as a basis of their appeal. The district would like
5 to retain the site acquisition funds and categorize that as
6 savings.

7 Unfortunately, statute and regulations doesn't
8 permit the district to retain unspent acquisition funds. So
9 again, the statute requires that the funds be returned back
10 and the regulations state that the adjustment must be made
11 whether or not it's an increase or a decrease related to
12 site acquisition grant funds.

13 So on page 117, we wanted to highlight for the 14 Board specifically giving the Board a history of how many 15 times we've actually made site adjustments, increases and 16 decreases, over the years, and you could see just by the 17 blue indication of our charts that we've granted a number of 18 increases over the years and that equate to over 19 \$51.7 million of increases that have been provided to 20 districts and decreases are about 20.3 million. So the 21 increases outweigh the decreases and that's something we 22 wanted to share with the Board.

And on page 118, we also wanted to highlight
specifically the adjustments that occurred from January 1st,
2015, through February 6th, 2018. There have been 95 site

1 adjustments as it relates to the program.

The site increases again have shown that the increases outweigh the negative decreases. So \$1.5 million has been awarded to districts for those site increases over the last three-year period and again those increases outweigh the decreases.

7 And we believe that even though on page 119 -- the
8 district has achieved savings. We don't disagree with that
9 and the savings issue isn't what is in dispute. What's in
10 dispute is really the unspent site acquisition funds.

So we are requesting that -- staff doesn't have the administrative ability to grant that request and we're asking that the Board not approve the district's request and seek the 13,426 be returned back to the state.

15 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Thank you,
16 Ms. Silverman. Are there questions or comments from Board
17 members on this item? I had to have it explained to me a
18 couple of times. I don't want to assume that everybody
19 fully understood. Go ahead.

20 MR. MIRELES: Do we know why the district didn't
21 report the 26,000 in their expenditure report?

MS. SILVERMAN: We contacted the district and they
have not provided us any reason why they have not spent the
funds nor have they given us an explanation or provided us
additional documentation.

1 MR. MIRELES: Do we have anybody from the district 2 here? No. 3 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Sorry. Was there 4 anybody from the district? Did you hear Mr. Mireles? He's 5 asking if anyone's here from the district. 6 MS. SILVERMAN: No, not that we know of. 7 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Okay. All right. Is there any public comment on this item? 8 9 Okay. So seeing none, from my perspective, it 10 seems like the policy question is really -- they got a site 11 acquisition grant to cover those costs. They spent less 12 than that. 13 I mean it seems very clear to me that this is sort 14 of the process. I'm not sure where other -- how other Board 15 members -- feel like there needs to be, if I'm 16 understanding, some sort of -- part of the discussion. Ι 17 feel very comfortable entertaining a motion on the staff's 18 recommendation. 19 ASSEMBLYMEMBER NAZARIAN: Is there even a need for 20 action? 21 MS. SILVERMAN: Absent of having six votes for -to overturn staff's position --22 23 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Okay. 24 MS. SILVERMAN: -- so basically if there's no --25 yeah. No motion --

1 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Okay. 2 ASSEMBLYMEMBER NAZARIAN: And, Ms. Chair, the only 3 thing I would ask what was the time span in which you 4 attempted to contact them. 5 MS. SILVERMAN: Well, the item was agendized 6 originally in February. So the district, during our process 7 of notifying of our position during their appeal and 8 notifying the district their appeal is being heard in February, there is communication with them. 9 10 They've obviously had our recommendation to the 11 Board. They saw the staff report. So that communication 12 was occurring between January and February. And then -- so 13 they requested a postponement before the February Board and 14 so we actually since that time have been contacting them as 15 well, repurposing the report and sharing with them that it's 16 going to be going to the April Board. 17 And so those contacts have been with -- there 18 hasn't been any contact back with us. So we submitted the 19 appeal -- I mean our position again and again we haven't 20 heard back from the district. 21 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Prior to any of that 22 process starting, you had a communication in which you 23 essentially told them this is -- you know, you owe the 24 13,000 back. 25 MS. SILVERMAN: Right.

1 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: And that's what sort 2 of started this process. When did that start? 3 MS. SILVERMAN: That occurred over the summer of 2017. 4 5 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Summer of 2017? 6 MS. SILVERMAN: Yeah. We communicated to the 7 district that they owe 13,000 back and gave them the ability 8 to submit expenditures to reconcile any differences, and at 9 that point in time, we hadn't -- they wanted to appeal. 10 So we've provided them the opportunity to provide 11 additional expenditures. 12 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Any additional 13 questions? Okay. So I guess I did not need a motion, but I 14 appreciate you, Senator Allen, for being there and unless 15 anyone wants to move otherwise, we'll just continue along. 16 Thank you for the report. We appreciate it. 17 MR. MIRELES: I do have one other just 18 clarification. 19 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Yeah. 20 MR. MIRELES: Just to make sure, just to confirm, 21 there have been a lot of other projects that have been 22 adjusted after the two-year period and a lot of those -- I'd 23 say the majority on page 118 have resulted in an increase to 24 their grants; is that correct? 25 MS. SILVERMAN: That's correct.

1 MR. MIRELES: This particular case, it would have 2 been a decrease, but overall the other adjustments have 3 resulted in increases to their grants. MS. SILVERMAN: Absolutely. This is the only item 4 5 that has been appealed. 6 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Okay. We have --7 MS. SILVERMAN: The workload, right, Tab 7. Any 8 questions on the workload? 9 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: No? Okay. Any 10 public comment on the workload report in Tab 7? Okay. 11 Seeing none, the only other thing that I wanted to 12 make sure that the Board was aware of is Ms. Silverman sent 13 all of the State Allocation Board members notification 14 yesterday to advise that the Office of Administrative Law 15 has made a determination related to the February 23rd 16 petition that was filed alleging that this Board was 17 operating under an underground regulation as it related to 18 the matter of not applying the 2017 grant amounts to the 19 projects that the SAB approved on June 5th, 2017. 20 You all were here. I was not. But we have talked 21 about this at length. 22 In addition, the petition contended that the SAB 23 failed to follow procedures in accordance with our own sort 24 of Board rules and procedures related to hearing two appeals 25 on that particular topic.

1 The Office of Administrative Law has notified the 2 petitioner that it declined to accept the petition. So 3 prior to the filing of that petition, OPSC received two 4 appeals on the topic and after conferring with legal 5 counsel, it was determined that there was no legal basis for 6 us to consider an appeal of our own action. 7 And so the appeals were sent back to the 8 requesting school districts. 9 Since then, we've received 14 more appeals prior 10 to the petition being denied. Now that the Office of 11 Administrative Law has communicated that to us, I plan to 12 notify those districts that their appeals will not be heard. 13 So I don't know if anyone have any comments on 14 that or hopefully you've had a chance to spend some time 15 with it and if you have any questions about the email 16 Ms. Silverman sent, please contact her directly. 17 Okay. Any public comment about any other issues 18 under the purview of this Board? Okay. Seeing none -- go 19 ahead. 20 ASSEMBLYMEMBER NAZARIAN: Just to clarify for the 21 action that we didn't take an action for, do we need to take 22 an action to bring closure? 23 MS. SILVERMAN: No. 24 ASSEMBLYMEMBER NAZARIAN: No, right? 25 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Yeah. Thank you.

1 ASSEMBLYMEMBER NAZARIAN: Thank you. 2 CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Okay. 3 Well, I don't have any further business, but we're going to 4 hold the roll open for additional members to add on and so 5 this meeting is not adjourned, but I think you can roll 6 through this. Everybody who's voted is free to go except 7 me. 8 MS. JONES: Okay. Senator Allen and Senator 9 Nguyen, how do you vote on the Minutes? 10 SENATOR ALLEN: Aye. 11 SENATOR NGUYEN: Aye. 12 MS. JONES: Thank you. And then how do you vote 13 on the Consent Calendar. 14 SENATOR ALLEN: Aye. 15 SENATOR NGUYEN: Aye. 16 MS. JONES: Thank you. And then how do you vote 17 on Burnt Ranch -- actually Senator Nguyen. 18 SENATOR NGUYEN: Aye. 19 MS. JONES: Thank you. And all the motions carry. 20 Senator Pan, how do you vote on the Minutes? 21 SENATOR PAN: I vote aye. 22 MS. JONES: Thank you. How do you vote on the 23 Consent Calendar? 24 SENATOR PAN: Aye. 25 MS. JONES: And then how do you also vote on Burnt

Ranch? SENATOR PAN: Aye. MS. JONES: Great. Motions carry. CHAIRPERSON WONG-HERNANDEZ: Thank you. We are adjourned. (Whereupon, at 4:29 p.m. the proceedings were adjourned.)

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