

# I-REN Executive Committee

## Action Minutes

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the I-REN Executive Committee was called to order by Chair Crystal Ruiz at 2:00 p.m. on August 15, 2023, at the WRCOG office, 3390 University Avenue, Suite 200, Riverside.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee member Chris Barajas led the Committee members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 3. ROLL CALL

CVAG

- City of La Quinta - Linda Evans

SBCOG

- City of San Bernardino - Curt Hagman

WRCOG

- City of Corona - Jacque Casillas
- City of Jurupa Valley - Chris Barajas
- City of San Jacinto - Crystal Ruiz (Chair)

Absent:

- City of Rialto - Deborah Robertson
- Town of Apple Valley - Art Bishop

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

### 5. SELECTION OF I-REN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR, AND 2ND VICE CHAIR POSITIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024

#### A. Selection of I-REN Executive Committee Chair, Vice-Chair, and 2nd Vice Chair Positions for Fiscal Year 2023/2024

#### Actions:

1. Selected Crystal Ruiz, City of San Jacinto as Chair; Oscar Ortiz, CVAG Representative, as Vice-

- Chair; and Art Bishop, Town of Apple Valley, as 2nd Vice-Chair for Fiscal Year 2023/2024.
2. Referred the ranking voting matter to member agency representatives for discussion at their jurisdiction.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Hagman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Evans
<b>AYES:</b>	Evans, Hagman, Barajas, Casillas, Barajas, Ruiz

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Hagman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Barajas
<b>AYES:</b>	Evans, Hagman, Barajas, Casillas, Barajas, Ruiz

**A. Summary Minutes from the May 16, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting**

**Action:**

1. Approved the minutes from the May 16, 2023, Executive Committee meeting.

**B. I-REN Regulatory and Reporting Update**

**Action:**

1. Received and filed.

**7. REPORTS / DISCUSSION**

**A. Discussion of I-REN Executive Committee Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year 2023/2024**

**Action:**

1. Approved a Fiscal Year 2023/2024 I-REN Executive Committee meeting schedule.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Barajas
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Casillas
<b>AYES:</b>	Evans, Hagman, Casillas, Barajas, Ruiz

**B. I-REN Branding and Marketing Update**

**Action:**

1. Received and filed.

**C. Update on California Public Utilities Commission Final Decision (d.23-060-055) and True-Up Advice Letter**

**Action:**

1. Authorized the submittal of the True-Up Advice Letter to the California Public Utilities Commission.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Hagman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Barajas
<b>AYES:</b>	Evans, Hagman, Barajas, Ruiz
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	Casillas

#### **D. I-REN Strategic Planning Update**

##### **Action:**

1. Approved the draft Strategic Plan and directed the Executive Director to provide a final version for approval at the next meeting.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Barajas
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Evans
<b>AYES:</b>	Evans, Casillas, Barajas, Ruiz
<b>NO VOTE:</b>	Hagman was not present for the vote

#### **E. California Energy Commission Equitable Building Decarbonization Grant Program**

##### **Action:**

1. Authorized staff to provide a letter of commitment, on behalf of I-REN to partner with So-Cal REN / Los Angeles County in applying for the California Energy Commission Equitable Building Decarbonization Grant Program.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Evans
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Barajas
<b>AYES:</b>	Evans, Casillas, Barajas, Ruiz
<b>NO VOTE:</b>	Hagman was not present for the vote

#### **8. REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR**

Chair Ruiz reported that she has attended several I-REN orientation meetings, and seven more are still upcoming. There have been 77 attendees from 29 cities and eight other member agencies. Eight Fellows have been placed, and five more are being interviewed. Chair Ruiz acknowledged I-REN staff in both Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, who have worked to get people talking about I-REN. The next set of orientation meetings will take place on August 22, 2023, in both the City of Ontario and City of Riverside, and she encouraged Committee members to attend to get more information about the Program.

#### **9. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

Committee member Curt Hagman asked staff to start looking at creating more energy efficiency programs to be able to apply for more grants and opportunities.

Chair Ruiz asked staff to keep an eye on how Southern California Edison will manage the increased energy use, and how that will affect customers' bills.

#### **10. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no general announcements.

#### **13. NEXT MEETING**

The next I-REN Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 2:00 p.m., in WRCOG's office located at 3390 University Avenue, Suite 200, Riverside.

#### **14. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:16 p.m.