**DRAFT Minutes**

**Seattle Water Supply System Operating Board**

**March 3, 2016**

**2:00 to 4:00**

**Mercer Island Community and Event Center**

**8236 SE 24th Street**

**Mercer Island, WA 98040  
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| **Board Members** | **Board Alternates** | **Utility Representatives** | **SPU Attendees** | **Other Attendees** |
| Rick Scott – Chair  Alex Chen  Ron Little  Byron Murgatroyd  Diane Pottinger- Alt  Matt Everett - Alt | Lynne Danielson | Pam Martin  Terry Olson  Shane Young  Sean Vance  Ken Howe  Brian McDaniel  Bryan Koehmstedt | Wylie Harper | Walt Canter  Charlotte Haines  Darcey Peterson  Jim Rick  Ron Ricker  Kathleen Quong-Vermeire  John Thompson  Jerry Thornton  Larry West |

* **Welcome and Introductions**
* **Minutes/Agenda**

The February 4, 2016 minutes were **approved 5-0 with one minor correction to the location of the meeting.**

The March 3, 2016 agenda was **accepted as written by 5-0.**

**New Business**

**Water Line of Business (WLOB) Work Plan**

Alex Chen, Water Planning and Program Management Director gave a power point presentation with an overview of the WLOB work plan for 2016. Highlights included planning/policy, watersheds/water resources, water treatment/water quality, transmission and distribution. Some discussion followed with a look at bringing the following items back for further discussion:

* Firm Yield
* Water Supply during drought (how much water was pumped, what were the water sales and what are the potential future impacts of climate change)
* Update on the Cedar Sockeye Run for 2016

**Operating Board 2016 Work Plan**

Terri Gregg, Wholesale Contracts Manager discussed and gave an update on the Wholesale Financial Workshop. Currently, Monday, April 11th and Monday, May 9th have been held as a potential dates for the workshops. A request was made to send out a notice to see if other dates may work better for everyone. Another topic of conversation occurred regarding the location/space of the OB meetings. A question was raised is there any way we can get the Mercer Room at a lower cost? Terri will check and get back to the group. Finally, a quick review was done of the OB work plan. No changes or additions were made to the plan. Regarding a tour for 2016, the WQ Lab and the SPU OCC was mentioned as a possibility along with going to Tacoma or Everett for a tour of their water supply resources. Tacoma’s treatment plant was mentioned and there was interest in seeing their treatment facilities and water supply source such as Howard Hansen Dam. Terri will follow up with Tacoma and get back to the Board.

**Water Quality Topics for Discussion**

Wylie Harper, SPU Water Quality Director gave a power point presentation on the highlights of the 3/Cities DOH meeting on March 17th with an overview on the discussions on Cross Connection Control, Water main Disinfection, Revised Total Coliform Rule, Partial treatment interruptions and the Flint story impacts. After the presentation discussions occurred including a discussion over the ability to create a Voluntary Group of regional participants (staff) that could assist in responding to a water quality event at one or more Districts/Cities. Some further comments followed:

* Matt Everett – great idea
* Brian McDaniel – MI could of used a lot more help
* Ken Howe – Policy Governance would be needed
* Wylie Harper – A 3-year term for staff would be beneficial – Further discussions would be needed.

**Future Meetings**

* **April 7, 2016**
* **May 5, 2016**
* **For the Good of the Order**
  + Diane Pottinger, North City commented on a Food and Water Watch group that is talking about Utility water rates on a group forum and SPU and Bellevue were ranked high.
* **Public Comment Period**

No comments provided

* **Material Presented at Meeting**
  + 2016 Drinking Water Work Plan
  + 2016 Draft OB Work Plan
  + Drinking Water Quality OB briefing 3.3.16

**Board Meeting Adjourned @ 3:48 PM**

**Approved by:**

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