CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH CHAPTER MEETING

Date: July 25, 2025

Location:
Longevity Wines, 2271 South Vasco Road, Livermore, CA 94550
Altamont Landfill & Resource Recovery Facility, 10840 Altamont Pass Road, Livermore, CA 94551

9:30AM – 1:30PM MEMBERSHIP MEETING

1. **Call to Order** (notice of no recording) ..... Nate Pelczar
2. **Introductions** (all members and guests present) ..... Nate Pelczar
3. **Roll Call** ..... Dave Ghirardelli

OFFICERS					
Name	**Office**	**P/E/A**	**Name**	**Office**	**P/E/A**
Nate Pelczar	President			Secretary	
Naomi Lue	Vice–President		Dave Ghirardelli	Past-President	
Wes Heathcock	Treasurer				
DIRECTORS					
Name	**Organization**	**P/E/A**	**Name**	**Organization**	**P/E/A**
Ruth Abbe	Abbe & Associates		Joe La Mariana	South Bayside SWA	
Peni Basalusalu	City of Berkeley		Patrick Mathews	Salinas Valley WMA	
Jennifer Claiborne	Sacramento County		Felipe Melchor	ReGen Monterey	
Derek Crutchfield	City of Vallejo		Amy Padovani	Geosyntec	
Kimberly Cook	Agromin		Wil Rice	Enthalpy	
Rachel Davis	Yolo County		Lauren Romanazzi	SCS Engineers	
Mark Ellis	Enthalpy		Tami Stolzenthaler	City of Watsonville	
Chris Hiller	Waga Energy				

4. **Changes or Additions to Agenda** ..... Nate Pelczar
5. **Approval of Minutes** of March 28, 2025 meeting ..... Nate Pelczar
6. **Correspondence** ..... Naomi Lue
7. **Treasurer's Report** ..... Wes Heathcock
    a. Cash Balance Reports and Statements of Budget through June 2025
    b. Statements of Budget, Revenue, and Expenditure through June 2025
8. **Old Business**
    a. Induction of officers and directors ..... Dave Ghirardelli
    b. MOLO 2025 ..... James / Peni
    c. Road-E-O 2025 ..... Patrick / Felipe
9. **New Business**
    a. Election of Secretary ..... Nate / Naomi
    b. Committee assignments ..... Nate / Dave

c. MOLO and Symposium budgets ..... Dave Ghirardelli

10. **Committee Reports**
    a. Audit ..... Amy Padovani
    b. Awards ..... Derek Crutchfield
    c. Bylaws ..... Rachel / Nate
    d. Communications / Website ..... Jennifer / Rachel
    e. Legislative & Regulatory ..... Chris Hanson
    f. Membership ..... Traci / Peni
    g. Nominations ..... Nate / Naomi
    h. Programs & Workshops ..... Ruth Abbe
    i. Scholarship ..... Amy Padovani
    j. Symposium ..... Dave Ghirardelli
    k. Training and Certification ..... Peni Basalusalu
    l. YP Activities ..... Maddie Julian

11. **Suggested Topics for Next Meeting** ..... Nate Pelczar

Next Gold Rush Chapter Board Meeting:
Date and time: September 26, 2025; 10am-2:00pm
Meeting location: City of Watsonville Water Treatment Facility
6 Eureka Canyon Road, Watsonville, CA 95076

Agenda and Attachments:

1) Meeting Agenda
2) Meeting Minutes
3) Cash Reports (2) through June 2025
4) Statements of Budget through June 2025
5) Gold Rush Chapter Roster
6) Committee Assignments Spreadsheet

Virtual meeting information:
Online Meeting Link: **Join the meeting now**
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CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH CHAPTER
BOARD MEETING
MEETING MINUTES

Date: May 16, 2025

Location:
Meeting Location: RethinkWaste, 1245 San Carlos Ave, Suite E, San Carlos, CA, 94070

Thank you!
Meeting and lunch hosted and sponsored by RethinkWaste.

10:00AM – 2:00PM MEMBERSHIP MEETING

1. **Call to Order**…….. ..... Dave Ghirardelli

   President Ghirardelli called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

   He reported that the online Artificial Intelligence (AI) interface had been disabled and minutes are recorded by the Secretary.

2. **Introductions** (all members and guests present) ……..…… ..... Dave Ghirardelli

   Guests present included Julia Au (RethinkWaste), Carrie Baxter (R3 Consulting Group), Christine Borghei (Recology), Monica Devincenzi (Recology), Maddie Julian (Mainspring Energy), Ameen Kunbargi (ACTenviro), Tammy McManama (Innovative Construction Solutions), Marcus Mirt (Recology), Dan Noble (Composting Coalition of Sonoma County), Will Richards (Stanislaus County), Tami Stolzenthaler (Watsonville), Chris Valbusa (South Bayside Industries / Alameda County Industries), Michelle White (Roseville), Claire Wilson (R3 Consulting Group), and John Zirelli (Recology).

3. **Roll Call** ..... Naomi Lue

OFFICERS					
Name	**Office**	**P/E/A**	**Name**	**Office**	**P/E/A**
Dave Ghirardelli	President	P	Naomi Lue	Secretary	P
Nate Pelczar	Vice President	P	Derek Crutchfield	Past President	P
Wes Heathcock	Treasurer	P			
DIRECTORS					
Name	**Organization**	**P/E/A**	**Name**	**Organization**	**P/E/A**
Ruth Abbe	Abbe & Associates	P	Joe La Mariana	RethinkWaste	P

Peni Basalusalu	City of Berkeley	E	Patrick Mathews	Salinas Valley WMA	P
Jennifer Claiborne	Sacramento County	P	Felipe Melchor	ReGen Monterey	P
Kimberly Cook	Agromin, Inc.	P	Amy Padovani	Geosyntec	P
Rachel Davis	Yolo County	E	Wil Rice	Enthalpy	P
Mark Ellis	Enthalpy	P	Lauren Romanazzi	SCS Engineers	P
Chris Hiller	Waga Energy	P			

4. **Changes or Additions to Agenda**..... Dave Ghirardelli

   President Ghirardelli stated that there were no changes or additions to the agenda.

5. **Approval of Minutes** of January 24, 2025 Meeting..... Naomi Lue

   The Board unanimously approved the minutes.

6. **Correspondence** ..... Dave / Naomi

   President Ghirardelli provided an update about membership and MySWANA (online). Past President Crutchfield requested that President Ghirardelli resend the email out about resetting passwords, and President Ghirardelli agreed.

   President Ghirardelli announced that abstracts for RCon Technical Programs are due next Thursday, May 22nd.

7. **Treasurer's Report** …… ..... Wes Heathcock

   a. **Cash Balance Reports and Statements of Budget through April 2025**

      Treasurer Heathcock presented the Treasurer's Report and reported that the Money Markets have been performing better. He referenced the Certificate of Deposit (CD) and stated that it matures in December 2025, noted that Savings total $2,308, that remaining accounts did not have expenditures, and reported an ending balance of $162,888.95. The Board unanimously approved the March and April reports.

   b. **Statement of Budget, Revenue, and Expenditures through April 2025**

      Treasurer Heathcock presented the statement through April 2025 and noted that the Gold Rush Chapter share of Western Regional Symposium (WRS) revenue ended up being $17,081 instead of the budgeted $7,500, which resulted in a net gain of $11,328. Referencing discussion from March's meeting, he clarified that Director LaMariana's request for reimbursement was broken out and corrected in current statements.

      President Ghirardelli commented that with the Chapter having an $11,000 surplus instead of a deficit, the Chapter is poised for SWANA Manager of Landfill Operations (MOLO) certification training (MOLO) and WRS. He noted that the Chapter is in good shape: $23,000 in the checking account, $80,000 in the Money Market, $45,000 from the first CD, and $53,000 in the current CD. Vice President Pelczar inquired about the scheduling of the CDs, and if the Chapter will have the right amount of cash at the right time. President Ghirardelli confirmed affirmatively. Director LaMariana noted that while a deficit had been planned, because of how the WRS split works among the three chapters, the better WRS does, the better it is for all three chapters. The Board unanimously approved the April report.

8. **Old Business**
    a. **2026 WRS Chapter coordination and file sharing** ..... Nate Pelczar

    Vice President Pelczar reported that at the last California Resource Recovery Association (CRRA) conference, representatives from the three chapters met and decided to form a regional group in order to set up and share a Google Drive resource. He stated that he has been setting up a file and folder structure that everyone can use. As an example, WRS files from each year can be dropped in a shared resource. President Ghirardelli noted that this will improve branding as a California WRS event, and not just a Chapter event.

    b. **MOLO 2025**..... Peni Basalusalu

    President Ghirardelli stated that Director Basalusalu and Mr. James Moore were not able to attend the meeting. He reported that MOLO is scheduled for July 15-17, 2025 at North County Landfill (Lodi, CA), hosted by San Joaquin County, including 2.5 days of instruction. He added that this is the first time in 14 months that MOLO will be held, and that it is on a strict three-year cycle. He emphasized the value of MOLO certification, whether you are operating a landfill or not, so that you know what goes into running and building a facility.

    c. **Road-E-O 2025**..... Patrick / Felipe

    Director Melchor reported that ReGen Monterey would have space available and put out a call for people to run Road-E-O who have the skillset in understanding how to organize the event. Director Mathews asked about Yellow Iron, and President Ghirardelli suggested contacting International SWANA. Ms. Borghei stated that Recology was doing a Yellow Iron and would check. It was suggested that Directors Melchor and Mathews discuss hotel space with Car Week taking place in August, which may impact the dates for Road-E-O a week up or back. Director Mathews stated it would also be helpful to know when Nationals are. Director Hiller stated that he could help with Road-E-O as he is familiar with organizing inauguration events, and could track down liability forms, bleachers, restrooms, etc. Director LaMariana noted that Road-E-O is a one-day event meant to test the skillset of operators and is a great career-enhancing credential and meaningful from a safety officer's perspective.

9. **Committee Reports**
    a. **Audit**..... Amy Padovani

    Director Padovani reported that the audit will take place in September after the fiscal year-end and invited Directors to join her and Director LaMariana for the annual audit.

    b. **Awards** ..... Derek Crutchfield

    Past President Crutchfield reported that an invitation will be sent in early July to the Chapter to solicit nominations for the BBQ and Awards in September. He added that the Chapter has been using Piece by Piece awards, and is open to trying a different company.

    c. **Bylaws**..... Rachel / Nate

    Vice President Pelczar reported that the Committee met to discuss how Chapter Bylaws relate to National Bylaws, and that as the Chapter works on them, they will run it by

International SWANA for review.

d. **Communications/Website** ..... Jennifer / Rachel

Director Claiborne thanked President Ghirardelli for sending out the Communications Request Form, which gathers information about a request, and then can be sent out to membership quickly. She noted the Chapter-wide survey which is prepared twice per year and encouraged Directors to send over questions related to WRS to get the survey out shortly. She refenced the Chapter's website domain, hosted by StarChapter, and reported that the Committee is looking for opportunities to update the format style which will be discussed on Monday at the upcoming Committee meeting.

e. **Legislative & Regulatory** ..... Chris Hanson

Vice President Pelczar reported on behalf of Ms. Hanson, and informed the Board of an SB 54 rulemaking workshop being hosted by CalRecycle on May 27th. President Ghirardelli asked what type of changes were anticipated, and Vice President Pelczar stated that there was a strong directive from the Governor and that changes were drafted for consideration by the Governor for approval. Vice President Pelczar provided other industry workshop dates and reviewed a matrix of draft legislative bills. Director LaMariana requested that the Legislative Task Force (LTF) identify bills that the Chapter should watch, support, or oppose as there are numerous bills to review. Vice President Pelczar shared the LTF website and stated the LTF website highlights the bills and recommendations.

f. **Membership** ..... Traci / Peni

President Ghirardelli reported on behalf of Ms. Bills and Director Basalusalu that the Chapter is still having difficulty downloading information. He stated that we were able to download the same information from two months ago despite changes in the officer's site, and voiced the importance of getting this back up and running.

g. **Nominations** ..... Dave / Nate

This item was discussed under Item 10a, and there was no further discussion.

h. **Programs & Workshops** ..... Ruth Abbe

Director Abbe reported that the Committee met last quarter, with an emphasis on tours instead of webinars, and that the Committee recommended scheduling them off-cycle from the regular Board / Chapter meeting every other month. President Ghirardelli stated that a lot of California is rural, and highlighted Calaveras County's rural program and convenience centers. Director Abbe stated that a multi-stop tour was been developed for the second or third week in October. Director Romanazzi referenced Southern California Chapter's three-hour workshops that are successful, where haulers and jurisdictions are represented across the industry. President Ghirardelli suggested that Directors Abbe and Romanazzi brainstorm and engage with membership.

i. **Scholarship** ..... Amy Padovani

President Ghirardelli noted this would be discussed under New Business, and reported that Ms. Katie O'Conner has accepted an appointment to join the Scholarship Committee, and

that ReGen Monterey has also committed to separately support the Scholarship program, which serves as an example for other agencies and jurisdictions.

j. **Symposium** ..... Dave Ghirardelli

President Ghirardelli stated that this Committee is made up of chairs of the WRS sub-committees and while a budget has not been formed yet, the first meeting with be held on June 20th. Chairs will then contact membership.

k. **Training and Certification** ..... Peni Basalusalu

This item was discussed under Item 8b, and there was no further discussion.

l. **YP Activities** ..... Maddie Julian

Ms. Julian reported that the Young Professionals (YPs) met at WRS in April, started a LinkedIn page, and invited people to the page. She reported brainstorming with Director Claiborne about logos, branding, making announcements, scholarships, and potential events to host. Director LaMariana offered to host at his home in September and there will be the Calaveras tour with green drinks to follow in October. Director Rice stated that there is an Enthalpy Analytical PFAS testing lab in El Dorado Hills that could be a tour location, using funds for a bus. There was discussion about how a YP is defined, and it was clarified that YPs are individuals 35 years of age or younger.

10. **New Business**

a. **Elections** ..... Nate Pelczar

Vice President Pelczar reported that the voting period has closed and that the Chapter received 13% of votership while the requirement is 10%. He congratulated the slate of Officers (incoming President Pelzcar, Vice President Lue, Past President Ghirardelli) and Directors La Mariana, Melchor, Mathews, Crutchfield, and Stolzenthaler (Public Sector) and Directors Abbe, Cook, and Padovani (Private Sector).

b. **Scholarships** ..... Amy Padovani

Director Padovani reported that the application period closed May 1st and thanked Secretary Lue for forwarding the five applications from students. She stated that three applicants were without a sponsor (parent or grandparent) and not a student member. She stated that the other two met the application requirements and were being recommended by the Committee to receive $2,000 each: Alexander Keifer (Jeff Keifer), Cal Poly San Luis Obispo – Construction Engineering, and Elijah Hill (Patricia Picente), UC Berkeley – Environmental Engineering. She added that the Committee felt the essays were not written by AI. The Committee requested approval by the Board to approve the awards, and that three awards had been budgeted. The Board unanimously approved the two award recipients.

c. **2025-2026 Budget** ..... Dave Ghirardelli

President Ghirardelli referenced the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Proposed Budget document and reviewed the revenue and expenditure detail. He noted that $20,000 would be dedicated for WRS and MOLO and $50,000 in reserves. A question was asked about

decreased membership dues. President Ghirardelli explained that International SWANA is a little behind in making payments, and that April, May, and June will be accounted for in July. Director Padovani inquired about the timing of MOLO. President Ghirardelli stated that MOLO's budget is estimated at $33,000 based on 30 participants, with expenses at $425 per attendee plus materials cost, instructors, and hotels for instructors. The Board unanimously approved the budget.

11. **Suggested Topics for Next Meeting** ..... Dave Ghirardelli

Advanced Clean Fleets program changes. 2026 Symposium budget.

Next Gold Rush Chapter Board Meeting:
Date: July 25, 2025
Time: 9:30am-2:00pm
Meeting Location:
Longevity Wines, 2271 South Vasco Road, Livermore, CA 94550
Tour Location:
Waste Management's Altamont Landfill & Resource Recovery Facility, 10840 Altamont Pass Road, Livermore, CA 94551

Meeting adjourned at 1:18 p.m. in memory of Past Director David Gorton.

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CASH BALANCE REPORT
May 2025

Account Type	Transaction Type	Date	Description	Amount	Interest Rate	Policy Range	Actual Ratio
BASIC CHECKING:							
#00283		5/1/2025	BEGINNING BALANCE	$746.37			
	Deposits:						
	Tranfer	5/20/2025	Scholorship Funding Transfer from Account 6674	$4,000.00			
	Teller Dep						
	Teller Dep						
	INT	5/31/2025	Interest Earned	$0.02			
			TOTAL DEPOSITS	**$4,000.02**			
	Expenditures:						
	Check #						
	POS						
	Check #						
	Check #						
	Check #						
			TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$-			
		5/31/2025	ENDING BALANCE	**$4,746.39**	0.01%		
CHECKING SYMPOSIUM/MOLO:		5/1/2025	BEGINNING BALANCE	$22,563.71			
#12377		5/31/2025	Interest Earned	$0.19			
	Expenditures:						
	POS						
		5/31/2025	ENDING BALANCE	**$22,563.90**	0.01%		
TOTAL CHECKING				**$27,310.29**		5% to 15%	**17%**
SAVINGS:							
#23362		5/1/2025	BEGINNING BALANCE	$2,308.28			
		5/31/2025	Interest Earned	$0.02			
		5/31/2025	ENDING BALANCE	**$2,308.30**	0.01%		
OTHER SAVINGS		9/15/2021	1/3 OF WRS-Sav Acct held by Southern Chapter	**$3,324.71**	0%		
TOTAL SAVINGS				**$5,633.01**		10% to 50%	**3%**
MONEY MARKET PLUS:		5/1/2025	BEGINNING BALANCE	$80,796.49			
#06674		5/31/2025	Interest Earned	$80.61			
	Expenditures:				1.745%	15% to 60%	**47%**
	Transfer	5/20/2025	Scholorship Funding Transfer to Account 0283	$4,000.00			
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:		5/31/2025	ENDING BALANCE	**$76,877.10**			
CD #4824 -25 Months							
		5/1/2025	BEGINNING BALANCE	$53,149.39	4.879%		
			Interest Earned	$636.04			
TOTAL CDs		5/31/2025	ENDING BALANCE	**$53,785.43**		20% to 70%	**33%**
				$53,785.43			

TOTAL UNRESTRICTED:	**CHECKING**	**$4,746.39**	0.01%	3%
	SYMP/MOLO	**$22,563.90**	0.00%	14%
	SAVINGS	**$2,308.30**	0.01%	1%
	MONEY MARKET	**$76,877.10**	1.745%	47%
	NEW CD (Maturity Date: 12/28/2025)	**$53,785.43**	4.88%	33%
	Total Unrestricted	**$160,281.12**		
TOTAL RESTRICTED:	**SAVINGS (1/3 OF WRS)**	**$3,324.71**	0%	2%
GRAND TOTAL:		**$163,605.83**		100%

Wes Heathcock

Wes Heathcock, Treasurer

CASH BALANCE REPORT
June 2025

Account Type	Transaction Type	Date	Description	Amount	Interest Rate	Policy Range	Actual Ratio
BASIC CHECKING:							
#00283		6/1/2025	BEGINNING BALANCE	$4,746.39			
	Deposits:						
		6/3/2025	Symposium Funding Transfer From Account 2377	$1,948.50			
	Teller Dep	6/10/2025	Feb 2025 Membership Dues via Bill.com	$782.73			
	Teller Dep						
	INT	6/30/2025	Interest Earned	$0.04			
			TOTAL DEPOSITS	**$2,731.27**			
	Expenditures:						
	Check # 1539	6/6/2025	Aliyah Donohue Scholorship	$2,000.00			
	Check # 1538	6/24/2025	Alexander Keifer Scholorship	$2,000.00			
	Check #						
	Check #						
	POS						
			TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$4,000.00			
		6/30/2025	ENDING BALANCE	**$3,477.66**	0.01%		
CHECKING SYMPOSIUM/MOLO:		6/1/2025	BEGINNING BALANCE	$22,563.90			
#12377		6/30/2025	Interest Earned	$0.17			
	Expenditures:						
	Transfer	6/3/2025	Symposium Funding Transfer to Account 0283	**$1,948.50**			
		6/30/2025	ENDING BALANCE	**$20,615.57**	0.01%		
TOTAL CHECKING				**$24,093.23**		5% to 15%	**15%**
SAVINGS:							
#23362		6/1/2025	BEGINNING BALANCE	$2,308.30			
		6/30/2025	Interest Earned	$0.02			
		6/30/2025	ENDING BALANCE	**$2,308.32**	0.01%		
OTHER SAVINGS		9/15/2021	1/3 OF WRS-Sav Acct held by Southern Chapter	**$3,324.71**	0%		
TOTAL SAVINGS				**$5,633.03**		10% to 50%	**4%**
MONEY MARKET PLUS:		6/1/2025	BEGINNING BALANCE	$76,877.10			
		6/30/2025	Interest Earned	$75.67			
#06674		6/30/2025	ENDING BALANCE	**$76,952.77**	1.745%	15% to 60%	**48%**
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:							
CD #4824 -25 Months		6/1/2025	BEGINNING BALANCE	$53,785.43			
			Interest Earned				
		6/30/2025	ENDING BALANCE	**$53,785.43**	4.879%		
TOTAL CDs				**$53,785.43**		20% to 70%	**34%**

TOTAL UNRESTRICTED:	**CHECKING**	**$3,477.66**	0.01%	2%
	SYMP/MOLO	**$20,615.57**	0.00%	13%
	SAVINGS	**$2,308.32**	0.01%	1%
	MONEY MARKET	**$76,952.77**	1.745%	48%
	NEW CD (Maturity Date: 12/28/2025)	**$53,785.43**	4.88%	34%
	Total Unrestricted	**$157,139.75**		
TOTAL RESTRICTED:	**SAVINGS (1/3 OF WRS)**	**$3,324.71**	0%	2%
GRAND TOTAL:		**$160,464.46**		100%

Wes Heathcock

Wes Heathcock, Treasurer

GOLD RUSH CHAPTER

STATEMENT OF BUDGET, REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Approved Budget

Revenues	FY 2022-2023 Actuals	FY 2023-2024 Actuals	FY 2022-2023 Approved Budget	FY 2023-2024 Approved Budget	**FY 2024-2025 Approved Budget**	FY 2024-2025 Actual As of June 30, 2025	Comments
Membership Dues	$ 11,921	$ 12,103	$ 12,000	$ 12,000	**$ 12,000**	$ 8,673	As approved by committee action on July 21, 2023 Planning Meeting
Sponsorship Revenue	-	-	2,000	1,000	**1,000**	4,200	Formerly Installation Banquet. Renamed by committee action on July 16, 2021/ $4,000 funds transferred from account #6674 (Money Market)
Board Meetings Reimbursement	400	20	750	500	**200**	395	Non-board member meal Reimb.
Savings/Money Market Interest	5	149	50	50	**200**	858	Int Savings/MMK only
CD Interest	97	2,442	150	500	**4,000**	3,869	New and Existing CD Interest
Seminars/Webinars	-	-	3,000	-	**2,500**	-	Programs Committee recommendation July 2024
Symposium (Gold Rush share)	9,650	-	25,000	7,500	**7,500**	19,030	CA Chapter WRS Profit Share/ $1,948.50 funds transferred from account #2377 (Symposium)
MOLO & Other Events (Gold Rush share)	2,491	-	-	2,500	**1,500**	6,190	CA Central Chapter MOLO & Rodeo Profit Share
Other Courses Taught	-	-	-	-	-	-	
MRWMD Scholarship Contribution	500	-	500	500	**500**	-	Scholarship sponsorship- ReGen
Miscellaneous	1,800	108	-	-	-	40	Dropbox and Bank fee refunds plus bill.com
Total Revenues	$ 26,864	$ 14,822	$ 43,450	$ 24,550	**$ 29,400**	**$ 43,255**	

Expenditures	FY 2022-2023 Actuals	FY 2023-2024 Actuals	FY 2022-2023 Approved Budget	FY 2023-2024 Approved Budget	**FY 2024-2025 Approved Budget**	FY 2024-2025 Actual as of June 30, 2025	NOTES for Approved Budget FY 2023-2024
Supplies/Postage/Printing	$ 2	$ 66	$ 500	$ 500	**$ 500**	38	postage including tax forms
Web/Tech/Com	1,747	2,415	2,500	4,500	**6,500**	5,579	All technology and cloud services related charges (Sep: Dropbox, camera, mic). Additional $2K for ehanced meeting technology; laptop $1030.23
Travel	-	2,822	2,000	2,500	**3,500**	2,556	Past President Travel to Big SWANA
Board Meetings	5,192	8,057	5,000	6,000	**8,500**	2,555	Including Jul planning meeting
Installation Banquet	3,272	3,367	4,000	5,000	-	-	Approved by committee action on 7/21/23 for 2023 planning meeting and dinner in Sacramento
Memberships	112	-	350	350	-	-	
YP Events/Training/SWANA Events	-	-	750	1,000	**2,000**	1,057	Approved by committee action on 9/24/24: YP's activities and more events, added $1,000.
Scholarship Fund	6,000	8,000	6,000	6,000	**6,000**	6,000	Approved by committee action on July 21, 2023. FY23-24 Actual includes prior year checks cleared in FY23-24
Miscellaneous	1,101	200	1,000	3,000	**3,500**	2,242	Bud forPurchasing Gold pendants and annual awards and misc
Insurance	1,488	1,482	1,750	1,750	**2,000**	1,469	GL and D&O Insurance
Tax Preparation Fee	1,475	2,265	1,600	1,600	**2,500**	1,905	Rea and Associates - tax preparation
Webinars	-	-	300	300	**2,300**	-	Programs Committee recommendation July 2024
Symposium Expense	-	**40,665**	-	-	**5,000**	5,000	WRS 2026 Venue Deposit: Sonoma Doubletree
Total Expenditures	$ 20,390	$ 69,338	$ 27,750	$ 32,500	**$ 42,300**	**$ 28,401**	
Net Gain or (Loss)	$ 6,475	$ (54,516)	$ 15,700	$ (7,950)	**$ (12,900)**	**$ 14,854**	

CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH CHAPTER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
2025-2026

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GOLD RUSH CHAPTER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS 2024-2025 - as of 2025.07.11

	Audit	Awards	By-Laws	Communications/ Website	Legislative /Regulatory	Membership	Nominations	Programs & Workshops	Scholarship	Symposium	Training & Certification
Directors											
Ruth Abbe								Chair		Registration	
Peni Basalusalu		X				Co Chair		X			Chair
Jennifer Claiborne				Co Chair						Communications	
Kimberly Cook				X				X		Trade Show	
Derek Crutchfield		Chair								Tours \ Activities	
Rachel Davis			Co Chair	Co Chair						Tech Program	
Mark Ellis						X					
Dave Ghirardelli							X			Chair	
Wes Heathcock			X				X		X	X	
Chris Hiller				X		X					
Joe La Mariana	Co Chair				Voting						
Naomi Lue				X			Co Chair			X	
Patrick Mathews				X							
Felipe Melchor		X									
Amy Padovani	Co Chair								Chair	Tech Program	
Nate Pelczar			Co Chair	X			Co Chair			X	
Will Rice								X			
Lauren Romanazzi				X		X					
Tami Stolzenthaler				X							
GRC Member Committee Members											
Lindsey Angell				X		X					
Carrie Baxter										X	
Tracie Bills						Co Chair				Sponsorship	
Tim Flanagan					Alternate 1						
Natasha Gallati											
Christina Hanson					Voting						
Deepti Jain					Secretary						
Maddie Julian								X			
Doug Kobold					Voting						
Tim Raibley								X			
Larry Sweetser					Voting						X
Meilin Tsao											
Chuck White					Alternate 2						
Michelle White											

Standing Committes per Chapter Bylaws are highlighted in yellow

Committees must have three members and are appointed by the Chapter President

SWANA
CALIFORNIA CHAPTERS
Legislative Task Force

2025 OFFICERS

Chair Curtis Larkin, *Fresno County*
Vice Chair Sharon Green, *LACSD*
Treasurer Frank Caponi, *Retired*
Secretary Deepti Jain, *City of Sunnyvale*

SWANA Legislative Task Force Meeting Agenda
April 24, 2025

10 am - 12 pm
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81644635996?pwd=N2Nor4bNWI8PObBgkpXx7D0NOhncgN.1

1. **Administrative Items (10:00 – 10:30 a.m.)**
    a. Roll Call, Introductions- Ms. Green joined few minutes late. Quorum was established.
    b. Approval of March Meeting Minutes - approved unanimously with one abstention
    c. Approval of March Treasurer's Report - Mr. Caponi reported on the latest report. Brief discussion on upcoming changes to fiscal year budgeting. Moved, seconded and approved.
    d. Battery Subcommittee update – no updates. Survey still pending.
    e. 501 c 4 Mr. Larkin provided updates.
        a. LTF Director forms (3/28/25 email from Deepti, due now) Ms. Jain has received from 3 members so far. It was requested to submit ASAP to her.
            1. Electronic Transmissions Consent
            2. Conflict of Interest
        b. Board Action for Financial Bank Accounts Discussed whether to stay with US Bank.
            1. How many accounts (SWANA LTF fund deposit, restricted, ACH deposit)
                a. Currently have 1 business checking account at US Bank.
                b. Considering options for 1, 2 or 3 accounts. Idea is to keep funds used for lobbying separate. Want funds from local government to be used for non-lobbying activities. Those funds would go into restricted account and they would be used to Other funds would be used to pay for lobbying. The point of having a separate ACH account is to protect the other accounts from illicit activity. Discussed going with 3 accounts: 1-General, 2-restricted, 3-ACH transfers. Restricted would be for local jurisdictions' contributions. According to Doug, local governments cannot contribute to 501(c)(4) organizations if $ is used for lobbying. OK if used for non-lobbying activities. Then our contribution will be non-reportable. That should be included in the letter sent for requesting jurisdiction contributions; need to include description of what the funds will be used for. Should also explain why the change in organization was made. Individual contributions will not be tax-deductible.
                c. Mr. Kobold moved to have 3 accounts: operating, restricted, ACH transfer; seconded by Mr. Caponi.
            2. Officer access to accounts – Mr. Caponi will have access but no debit card. Chair/Vice Chairs will have debit cards for operating account. Chair/Treasurer have access to restricted account. Secretary is also named on account. Moved/seconded approved
            3. "to do" list, Officers meeting on 4/25 to discuss – brief update. Working on MOUs. Ms. Hanson is looking into insurance for organization. SYASL will propose new contract but prob won't get to it until July. It will just update the name and also

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2. **2025 WRS Joint Chapters Meeting Update –** Mr. Larkin met with Ms. Amy Burke and discussed surcharge transfers. He will be working with SWANA National on the review. There will be a new agreement with National, a licensing agreement and a 5-way agreement with the chapters. Mr. Larkin provided an update about the LTF to the group attending the meeting.
3. **SWANA Update** National is updating their website.
4. **Legislative Review (10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.)** Mr. Dylan Hoffman provided updates on legislation.
    a. AB 28 (Schiavo) Solid waste landfills: subsurface temperatures.
        a. No position
        b. ANR hearing on Monday, 4/28
        c. Discussion: This bill has a lot of flaws. Addressing a problem but the solution won't solve the problem. Maybe this should be a "study" bill to come up with what should be done, not deal with it facility by facility. Would have to pay for the multi-agency Title V every time. It is not a good approach. Mr. Caponi stated that LTF should oppose the bill. Mr. Mohajer mentioned that he is involved with Chiquita landfill and hence will be staying out of the discussion. This is impt & major bill. Prefers no position because maybe there will be amends. Mr. Jason Schmelzer mentioned that it's too late to go on record. We should wait and see what happens with the amendments.
        d. Watch & see what happens – discuss next time
    b. AB 70 (Aguiar-Curry) Solid waste: organic waste: diversion: biomethane.
        a. Support
        b. Bill passed ANR committee, now at Appropriations, on Suspense.
    c. AB 80 (Aguiar-Curry) Carpet recycling.
        a. Support
        b. Out of ANR; on Suspense
    d. AB 337 (Bennett) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: grant program: edible food.
        a. Support
        b. On Suspense
    e. AB 436 (Ransom) Composting facilities: zoning.
        a. Support
        b. On Suspense
    f. AB 473 (Wilson) Environmental advertising: recyclability.
        a. Watch
        b. *Not moving forward*
    g. AB 476 (González) Metal Theft.
        a. Support
        b. Passed B&P Committee this week; It will go to the Floor now.
    h. AB 643 (Wilson) Climate change: short-lived climate pollutants: organic waste reduction.
        a. Watch
        b. Two-year bill
    i. AB 754 (Connolly) Solid waste: pharmaceutical and sharps waste: producer responsibility program.
        a. Watch
        b. Amended to be something else. Assemblymember Connelly wants CPSC, MedProject to work on what needs to be updated in SB 212 and he would move it forward next year. SYASL will be involved.
    j. AB 762 (Irwin) Disposable, battery-embedded vapor inhalation device: prohibition.
        a. Support
        b. Bill is in Sen B&P Com, hearing next week.

c. Significant opposition has emerged (cannabis industry & Chamber of Commerce), but they now have the Teamsters supporting the bill (because it is a safety bill). Firefighters Assoc also supporting the bill. Big issue is tax money that the State gets from these products.

k. AB 864 (Ward) Hazardous waste: solar photovoltaic modules.
   a. Watch
   b. Amended Monday. Amends make recycling solar panels easier. Tough time for the industry so CPSC may just fight them. Still working on language. Working with CSIA and CalSPA (opposition). In appropriations.

l. AB 872 (Rubio) Environmental health: product safety: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.
   a. Recommend oppose – changed to Watch
   b. Two-year bill

m. AB 973 (Hoover) Recycling: plastic packaging and products.
   a. Watch
   b. Amended significantly in ANR (got out of Com this week). Amends rigid plastic packaging and film (& plastic bags) bill. Supported by NSAC and Republic, opposed by packaging associations.

n. AB 978 (Hoover) Department of Transportation and local agencies: streets and highways: recycled materials.
   a. Watch
   b. Keep watch on it. Updates requirements on local governments to use recycled materials as paving materials. Has to do with recovered asphalt, fly ash, recycled plastic, etc. No local gov't engagement. Some folks will look more into this.

o. AB 998 (Hadwick) Household hazardous waste.
   a. Support
   b. RCRC is sponsor. Hearing next week in ESTM. Amends: Consolidated reporting for CalRecycle/DTSC, etc.

p. AB 1153 (Bonta) Solid waste disposal and codisposal site cleanup: illegal disposal site abatement.
   a. Watch

q. AB 1394 (Wallis) Personal opioid drug deactivation and disposal systems.
   a. Oppose
   b. Likely dead for the year.

r. SB 45 (Padilla) Recycling: beverage containers: tethered plastic caps.
   a. Support
   b. On suspense

s. SB 88 (Caballero) Air resources: carbon emissions: biomass.
   a. Support
   b. Got out of Com this week

t. SB 279 (McNerney) Solid waste: compostable materials.
   a. Oppose unless amended
   b. Unclear about what amendments we want – need so they can do a O/A letter. In Sen Appropriation on Suspense. Concept is to limit them to material they generate on-site, not allow them to accept bill from offsite (amendment: delete "and acquiring"). Mr. Neil Edgar testified in opposition, CAW is the sponsor. Farming groups are in support. Solid waste industry groups (privates) are all opposing this. Mr. Hoffman to talk to Mr. Nick Lapis and try to get amendments. If not productive, will take Oppose until Amended (O/A) position.

u. SB 318 (Becker) Air pollution: stationary sources: best available control technology (NEW)
   a. Added for discussion
   b. Hearing was on 4/23/2025. Lots of support/opposition. Passed 5-3. Mr. Caponi suggested to oppose the bill. CARB is getting into permitting.

c. Took oppose position.
d. Send SYASL letter of opposition.

v. SB 404 (Caballero) Hazardous materials: metal shredding facilities
   a. Watch
   b. Amendments deleted exemptions from PRA.

w. SB 501 (Allen) Household Hazardous Waste Producer Responsibility Act.
   a. Support
   b. Passed Sen EQ Com.

x. SB 561 (Blakespear) Hazardous waste: Emergency Distress Flare Safe Disposal Act.
   a. Support
   b. Passed Sen EQ Com.

y. SB 594 (Padilla) Waste discharge permits: landfills.
   a. Oppose
   b. Joined Coalition letter in opposition.

z. SB 615 (Allen) Vehicle traction batteries.
   a. Watch
   b. RCRC supports. Passed Sen Transportation Com. Mr. Schmelzer recommended to support. EV companies are all in opposition, despite the author's office working with them for past 2 years.

aa. SB 633 (Blakespear) Beverage containers: recycling.
   a. Watch
   b. On Suspense

bb. SB 675 (Padilla) California Environmental Quality Act: environmental leadership development projects: streamlining.
   a. Watch
   b. Got out of Sen EQ.

cc. SB 682 (Allen) Environmental health: product safety: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.
   a. Support
   b. Got out of EQ, will be heard by Senate Health Com next week. Larry raised question about reuse of wastes, e.g. at HHW collection facilities. There is an exemption in the bill, plus the bill

dd. SB 730 (Hurtado) Product safety: consumer products: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.
   a. Recommend oppose
   b. Two-year bill

5. **Regulatory Update (11:45 a.m. – noon)**
   a. SB 54 – Mr. Kobold heard that CalRecycle will take at least 8 months to get through the process. There may be a need for updates to deadlines in statute.
6. **Rumors and Gossip (time permitting)**
   a. There was a delay in Ms. Zoe Heller confirmation, which seems to be clearing up. It is speculated that it was delayed due to SB 54 postponement. She must be confirmed by May 13th or else she will have to step down.

SWANA LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE
April 2025 Treasurer's Report
SUMMARY

	MONTHLY SUMMARY											
	JAN 2025	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
BEGINNING BALANCE [1]	$56,266.13	$96,981.84	$94,470.12	$89,342.94								
REVENUES	$53,685.03	$2,610.74	$0.78	$2,430.72	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
(from Revenues sheet, Line 7)												
EXPENSES [2]	$8,169.35	$5,122.46	$5,127.96	$4,919.96	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
(from Expenses sheet, Line 6)												
ENDING BALANCE	$101,781.81	$94,470.12	$89,342.94	$86,853.70								
MATCHES BANK STATEMENT?	No	Yes	Yes	Yes								

YTD	BUDGETED	% BUDGET
$58,727	$68,006	86%
(Line 7)		
$23,340	$81,100	29%
(Line 6)		

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NOTES:

*** January Ending Balance does not match bank statement of $96,981.84 because the Shaw Yoder November Invoice payment, which was paid on 12/4/24, did not post until 1/3/25. It was important to include in the December 2024 record. If you subtract this payment ($4,799.97) from this Ending Balance, bank statement matches.

1- *Bank balance of each listed month. Balance for January reflective of Statement balance on January 2, 2024.*

2- *Expenses reflect checks and debits posted by bank in month shown.*

SWANA LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE
April 2025 Treasurer's Report
EXPENSES

		Posted to Account[1]													
Line No.		JAN 2025	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD	BUDGET
1	SYASL REGULATORY REVIEW	$1,130.73	$1,158.99	$1,158.99	$1,158.99	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$4,607.70	$14,000
2	SYASL CONTRACT	$3,669.24	$3,760.97	$3,760.97	$3,760.97	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$14,952.15	$45,100
3	NON-SYASL EXPENSES	$453.88	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$453.88	$10,000
4	NETTOP PUBLISHING (WEBSITE)	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$1,500
5	Legal Counsel	$2,915.50	$202.50	$208.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$3,326.00	$10,500
6	TOTALS	$8,169.35	$5,122.46	$5,127.96	$4,919.96	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	**$23,339.73**	**$81,100**
7														% INCURRED	29%
8															
9															
10		SYASL Payment Data													
11	MONTH SERVICES RENDERED	JAN 2025	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC		
12	SYASL INVOICE NO.	23210	21914	23402	23520										
13	Web Draft No.	5032	5034	5036	5038										
14	AMOUNT	$4,799.97	$4,919.96	$4,919.96	$4,919.96	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00		
15	DATE CHECK POSTED	1/21/25	2/24/25	3/21/25	4/14/25										
16															
17		QUARTERLY LOBBYING PAYMENTS (BY INCURRED DATE)													
18		1ST QUARTER		2ND QUARTER		3RD QUARTER		4TH QUARTER							
19		$14,639.89		$4,919.96		$0.00		$0.00							

Notes:

1 **Invoices are typically paid for the previous month. So, for example, January expenses reflects December invoices.**

SWANA LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE
April 2025 Treasurer's Report
REVENUE

		REVENUES													
Line No.		**JAN 2025**	**FEB**	**MAR**	**APR**	**MAY**	**JUN**	**JUL**	**AUG**	**SEP**	**OCT**	**NOV**	**DEC**	**YTD**	**BUDGET**
1	**DUES SURCHARGE**[1]	$2,440.00	$2,610.00	$0.00	$2,430.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$7,480.00	$18,000.00
2	**WESTERN REGIONAL SYMPOSIUM**	$51,244.19	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$51,244.19	$20,000.00
$3	**MOLO COURSE REVENUES**	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,000.00
4	**INTEREST**	$0.84	$0.74	$0.00	$0.72	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$2.30	$6.00
5	**AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS**	$0.00	$0.00	$0.78	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$25,000.00
6	**WASTECON**	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
a	**Butte County**														
b	**City of Berkeley**														
c	**City of Clovis**														
d	**City of Colfax**														
e	**City of Fresno**														
f	**City of Los Angeles**														
g	**City of Manteca**														
h	**City of Roseville**														
i	**City of San Diego**														
j	**City of San Jose**														
k	**City of Santa Maria**														
l	**City of Stockton**														
m	**City of Sunnyvale**														
n	**City of Tulare**														
o	**City of Visalia**														
p	**City of Vallejo**														
q	**City of Watsonville**														
r	**Fresno County**														
s	**Humboldt WMA**														
t	**Imperial County**														
u	**Kern County**														
v	**Kings County/KWRA**														
w	**LA County Sanitation Districts**														
x	**Merced County RWMA**														
y	**Monterey RWMD**														
z	**Orange County**														
aa	**Placer County**														
ab	**Riverside County**														
ac	**Sacramento County**														
ad	**Salinas Valley SWA**														
ae	**San Joaquin County**														
af	**San Mateo County**														
ag	**South Bayside WMA**														
ah	**Ventura County**														
ai	**Yolo County**														
aj	**City of Santa Monica**														
6	**OTHER**													$0.00	
7	**TOTALS**	**$53,685.03**	**$2,610.74**	**$0.78**	**$2,430.72**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$58,727.27**	**$68,006.00**
												% OF BUDGETED		**86%**	

FOOTNOTES:

SWANA CALIFORNIA CHAPTERS – 2025 LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE MEMBERS
March 27, 2025

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Quorum: Eight or more voting members, including at least one member from each chapter, must be present to constitute a quorum.

VM= Voting Member ***Ch = Chair*** ***VC = Vice Chair*** ***T = Treasurer*** ***S = Secretary***

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	WRS Committee	Registration	Trade Show	Technical Program	Communications/ Website	Tours, Hospitality, & Activities	Sponsorship
Directors							
Ruth Abbe	X	Chair					
Peni Basalusalu							X
Jennifer Claiborne	X				Co-Chair		
Kimberly Cook	X		Chair		X		
Derek Crutchfield	X					Chair	
Rachel Davis	X			Co-Chair	Co-Chair		
Mark Ellis			X	X		X	X
Dave Ghirardelli	Chair						
Wes Heathcock	X	X					
Chris Hiller							
Joe La Mariana			X			X	X
Naomi Lue	X				X		
Patrick Mathews					X		
Felipe Melchor							
Amy Padovani	X			Co-Chair			
Nate Pelczar	X			X	X		X
Will Rice				X			
Lauren Romanazzi				X	X		
Non-Director Committee							
Lindsey Angell				X			
Carrie Baxter	X						
Tracie Bills	X		X				Chair
Christina Hanson							
Deepti Jain							
Maddie Julian							
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Kimberly Cook	X		Chair		X			
Derek Crutchfield	X					Chair		
Rachel Davis	X			Co-Chair	Co-Chair			
Mark Ellis			X	X		X	X	
Dave Ghirardelli	Chair							Cha
Wes Heathcock	X	X						
Chris Hiller								
Joe La Mariana			X			X	X	
Naomi Lue	X				X			
Patrick Mathews					X			X
Felipe Melchor								
Amy Padovani	X			Co-Chair				
Nate Pelczar	X			X	X		X	X
Will Rice				X				
Lauren Romanazzi				X	X			
Non-Director Committee								
Lindsey Angell				X				
Carrie Baxter	X							
Tracie Bills	X		X				Chair	
Christina Hanson								
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Tim Raibley				X				
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