

**WESTERN STATES SEISMIC POLICY COUNCIL  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING  
Westin St. Francis Hotel  
San Francisco, California**

**MINUTES  
April 17, 2006**

**Present:**

Rick Allis  
Dave Liebersbach  
Vince Matthews  
Dan McGowan  
John Parrish  
Patti Sutch

**Absent:**

Ken Murphy  
Henry Renteria

**Call to Order and Welcome – Dave Liebersbach**

Dave Liebersbach called the meeting to order for Rick Allis, whose flight was delayed. A quorum of Board members was present.

**Approval of Minutes of December 12, 2005 – Board**

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** Vince Matthews

**SECOND:** John Parrish

**VOTE:** Unanimously approved.

**Executive Director's Report – Patti Sutch**

A detailed report is included with the meeting materials. Highlights are:

- Audit of last fiscal year is nearly complete.
- Tax return was extended, property tax statement filed, and a business tax exemption was filed.
- Six seismic commissions have joined WSSPC.
- The 2007 meeting is planned for Reno, Nevada to be held jointly with the International Code Council.
- The WSSPC portion of the budget not covered by FEMA or USGS is estimated to be approximately \$30,000 with no offsetting income.
- Patti asked for Board approval to re-allocate the categories in the FEMA budget, which would include providing \$10,000 for the Earthquake Program Managers meeting, \$4600 for travel reimbursements to the WSSPC meeting in April, and less money for Personnel and more for Travel reimbursements categories.

**MOTION:** To approve re-allocated budget (Vince Matthews).

**SECOND:** John Parrish

**VOTE:** Unanimously in favor.

Dave Liebersbach turned the meeting over to Rick Allis when he arrived.

**WSSPC support of USGS Coalition – Rick Allis**

WSSPC supported the USGS Coalition statement supporting the recommended level of funding for the USGS in FFY '07. For the new Board members, the USGS Coalition is a consortium of professional associations supporting USGS programs. Dave Liebersbach noted that previous WSSPC Boards approved joining both the USGS Coalition and the NEHRP Coalition.

**2006 Policy Recommendations – Board**

**MOTION:** To recommend that the Policy Recommendation 06-1: *Developing Earthquake Risk-Reduction Strategies* go forward to the membership (Vince Matthews).

**SECOND:** Dave Liebersbach.

**VOTE:** Unanimously in favor.

**Adjournment – Rick Allis**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia L. Sutch  
WSSPC Secretary