

**Special Meeting
July 16, 2021
6:00 p.m.**



**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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Right to be heard: Members of the public have a right to address the Board directly on any item of interest to the public that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board, provided that no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by subdivision (b) of Section 54954.2.

Please Note: If you have comments on a specific agenda item(s), please fill out a comment card and return it to the Board Secretary. The Board President will call on you for your comments at the appropriate time, either before or during the Board's consideration of that item.

If you require special accommodations for attendance at or participation in this meeting, please notify our office 24 hours in advance at (805) 646-2114 (Govt. Code Section 94594.1 and 94594.2 (a))

In accordance with California Executive Order N-29-20, Section 3: A local legislative body is authorized to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body. A physical location accessible for the public to participate in the teleconference is not required.

GoToMeeting:

Meeting Link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/525245805>

United States (Toll Free): [1 877 309 2073](tel:18773092073)

Access Code: 525-245-805

The meeting will be called to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call

2. Approval of Minutes – No minutes to approve.

3. Public Comments

The Board will receive comments from the public at this time on any item of interest to the public that is not on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body, provided that no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by subdivision (b) of Section 54954.2. Matters raised by public comment requiring Board action will be referred to staff or placed on a subsequent agenda where appropriate.

When addressing the Board, please state your name and address and limit your comments to three (3) minutes.

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4. Board Discussion and/or Action

- a) Board Director Candidate Interviews (30 minutes each). (Etchart/Kentosh) - Attachments
 - a. 6:00 pm: John Russell
 - b. 6:30 pm: Loni Anderson
 - c. 7:00 pm: Paula Power
 - d. Discussion of new director nomination process.

6. Meeting Adjournment.

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO A SPECIAL DISTRICT VACANCY

Instructions

If you are interested in serving on a special district Board of Directors, please complete this application and return it to: summer@meinersoakswater.com or 202 W. El Roblar Dr., Ojai, CA 93023

Date Due: June 9, 2021

You will be advised by the district board if your appointment is confirmed. Thank you for your interest.

District: Meiners Oaks Water District

Date: June 2, 2021

Name: John W. Russell

Residence Address: ████ Fairview Rd, Ojai, CA 93023

Business or Mailing Address: Same

Phone (Daytime): 805-████-4978 Phone (Evening): 805-████-8641

E-Mail: ojaijohn93 @gmail.com

Education			
Institution	Major	Degree	Year
University of So. Calif	Psych	BS	1959
Pepperdine Univ	Finance	MBA	1981

Work / Volunteer Experience				
Organization	City	Position	From	To
Rusco, Inc	San Gabriel	CEO	1962	2006
Ojai Community Bank	Ojai	Director	2005	2015
Comm Mem Health System	Ventura	Trustee	2006	Pres

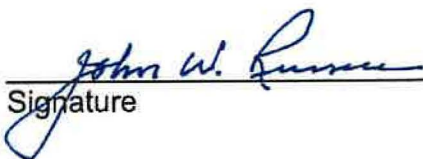
STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS:

Please briefly describe your qualifications and why you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors.

My wife Peggy and I have lived in Meiners Oaks over 20 years and the cost and availability of water have always been an issue. I would like to help find solutions for these issues. My life experiences I believe can help. I have been the C.E.O. of 5 successful businesses and a Board member of several non-profit Boards, including 3 hospital Boards (Huntington Memorial Hospital, Ojai Valley Community Hospital and presently Community Memorial Hospital System in Ventura) and 2 bank Boards (Ojai Community Bank and California State Bank) plus the Santa Barbara Zoo, the Pasadena Humane Society and Huntington Medical Research Institutes. I have an excellent financial back ground with an MBA in finance and strategic planning. I believe my strengths are active listening and developing alternatives. I pledge to be a committed and active member of the Meiners Oaks Water District Board, if elected.

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct. I authorize the verification of the information in this application.



Signature

6-2-21

Date

146 words

JOHN W. RUSSELL

Residence: [REDACTED] Fairview Road
Ojai, CA 93023
Telephone: 805-[REDACTED]
Cell Phone: 805-[REDACTED]
E-mail: [REDACTED]@gmail.com

Background: Born in Alhambra, CA December 4, 1937
Married to Peggy A. Russell April 4, 1981
Children: Tim M. Russell, born 1965, Jennifer L. Russell, born 1985
Moved to Ojai in 1978 from Altadena

Current Employment: The Alethian Group, C.E.O.
Past Employment: Rusco, Inc., C.E.O.
Western Specialties Co., C.E.O.
Rainy Day Record Co., C.F.O.

Education: B.S. Psychology, University of Southern California, 1959
M.B.A., Pepperdine University, 1981
Certificate in International Business and Fiancé – Pepperdine University
Business: Founding Director, California State Bank
Board: Founding Director, GalvanX, Inc.
Experience: Director, Acme Inc.
Founding Chairman and Director, Ojai Community Bank

Non-Profit Board Experience: Past: Pasadena Humane Society-Pasadena
District Chair, Boy Scouts of America-Los Amigos District
Hospice of Pasadena - Pasadena
Concerned Resource and Environmental Workers-Ojai
Huntington Memorial Hospital – Pasadena
Ojai Valley Community Hospital – Ojai
Rotary Education Foundation – Ojai
Cofounder Keeler Center for the Study of Headache - Ojai
Huntington Medical Research Institutes – Pasadena
Santa Barbara Zoo – Santa Barbara
Social Issues Research – Pasadena

Present: Community Memorial Hospital System – Ventura
Ojai Community Hospital Foundation

Honors: Eagle Scout w/Bronze Palm
Living Treasure of Ojai
Grand Marshal – Ojai Fourth of July Parade

Interests: Member Kiwanis Club of Alhambra
Member Rotary Club of Ojai
Rehab of Injured and Abandoned Wild Animals
Tennis
Gardening

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District: Meiners Oaks Water District

Date: 6/8/2021

Name: Loni Anderson

Residence Address: 127 Felix Drive

Business or Mailing Address: _____

Phone (Daytime): 213-318-1745 Phone (Evening): _____

E-Mail: lonianderson@protonmail.com

Education			
Institution	Major	Degree	Year
see resume attached			

Work / Volunteer Experience				
Organization	City	Position	From	To
see resume attached				

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS:

Please briefly describe your qualifications and why you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors.

Having served on several committees and boards in the public and private sectors, I possess a balance of skills to allow me to effectively serve on the Meiner's Oaks Water Board. I understand one of the responsibilities of a water board is to set policy, understand regulations, and plan for the future. My undergraduate degree is in legal studies and I currently write and edit medical case studies and clinical trials. I find I use knowledge of contract writing, and policy and regulation review, and creation all the time outside of my professional capacity. These skills would be useful as a Board member of Meiner's Oaks Water District as well.

As a member of a Culver City development commission, I was tasked with review of City regulations and creation of policy and planning for a potential project in the City. I sat as acting Chair on many public meetings and am well versed in planning processes and compliance.

As an area Director of the Culver City Community Response Team, I realize the importance of safety and security in public utilities. I would be able to review and or update an Emergency Preparedness Plan for the District.

In the role of a State Small Business Commissioner in California, the collection and consideration of initiatives and proposals, as well as budgeting and planning, for multiple stakeholders would translate well as a Board member of the Meiner's Oaks Water Board.

I look forward to the opportunity to discuss how I may help the community and staff continue to offer excellent water resource services.

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Signature


Date

LONI ANDERSON

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]@PROTONMAIL.COM

CORE COMPETENCIES

- Leadership positions in community and government organizations
- Lecturer on health and business
- Staff training and supervision
- Contract negotiation and fulfillment
- Business startup, market analysis, product development, supply chain, regulatory research for herbal products

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MEDICAL TECHNICAL WRITER CONTRACT

2018 - PRESENT

- Edit and compile research data for publication in medical journals
- Prepare and evaluate medical information for potential research and development and clinical trials of both pharmaceuticals and medical device and equipment

U.S.A. PEACE CORPS • TIMOR LESTE COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT VOL

2016 - 2018

- Facilitated U.S.A. SEABee projects in a rural community. One, construction of a new school building, and one, evaluation of improvements to a water system
- Support small businesses develop their business strategies

CLINICAL SUPERVISOR • SANTA MONICA, CA EMPEROR'S COLLEGE OF TRADITIONAL ORIENTAL MEDICINE

2006 - 2007

- Supervised interns in community clinic including patient interaction and herbal prescription formulation
- Participated in the creation of the clinic business development plan

ACUPUNCTURIST • LOS ANGELES, CA Private Practice

2003 - LICENSE CURRENT

- General medical practice, women's health, lifestyle education to help patients maintain their health and build natural defenses against disease
- Formulation of powered herbal remedies and development of topical use products for trauma

DIRECTOR BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT • TOKYO, JAPAN PEYKYAM KK Co-Founder

1995 - 1998

- Company founded on the premise of employing handicapped individuals and to help entrepreneurs become established in business through small kiosk micro-stores

PARALEGAL • TOKYO, JAPAN; BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA COOPER, EPSTEIN AND HURWITZ, YAGI SOGO LAW OFFICE, COUDERT BROTHERS Business Law

1988 - 1991

- Managed case files for a large, multi-country merger that took several years to complete
- Prepared and maintained articles of incorporation, minutes, and other corporate documents

Loni Anderson

VOLUNTEERISM

- **CANDIDATE FOR CULVER CITY COUNCIL**

Came within 300 votes of winning out of 9 candidates running for office in small (42,000 residents) town in Los Angeles County

- **VICE-CHAIR**

Culver City Sepulveda Corridor Development Commission

Appointed to 7-member commission by City Council to evaluate and present proposal of findings about a large mixed-use development project

- **COMMISSIONER**

Small Business and Health Commissions for California State Assembly

Speaker, Karen Bass' (now Congresswomen) and California State Assembly Member, Holly Mitchell 47th

California State Assembly District (now State Senator)

Coordinated and spoke at community events, Liaison for Community Outreach for Public Policies

- **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

Los Angeles Paralegal Association

Developed membership campaign and professional advocacy

- **FARRAGUT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL**

Reviewed and evaluated school improvement programs and school budgets with a focus on art and computer science additions to school curriculum

- **FOUNDING MEMBER**

Art's Education Development Committee Culver City School District

Created 5-year strategic plan to reintroduce art education back into public schools

- **LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATE**

AIMS - Acupuncture Integrated Medicine Specialists

Legislation pertaining to Oriental Medicine (Medicare coverage, scope of practice, various legislators)

EDUCATION

- **MASTERS DEGREE, TRADITIONAL ORIENTAL MEDICINE**

2002

Emperor's College of Traditional Oriental Medicine

Santa Monica, California

- **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE, LEGAL STUDIES**

1988

University of West Los Angeles School of Paralegal Studies

Los Angeles, California

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District: Meiners Oaks Water District

June 8, 2021

Date: _____

Paula Power

Name: _____

57 S Pueblo Ave Meiners Oaks CA

Residence Address: _____

57 S. Pueblo Ave Meiners Oaks CA

Business or Mailing Address: _____

805-798-7806

805-798-7806

Phone (Daytime): _____ Phone (Evening): _____

power@sbcbglobal.net

E-Mail: _____

Education

Institution	Major	Degree	Year
UC Santa Barba	Ecology and Evolution	BA with Honors	1986
Texas State University	Biology	Masters	1990

Work / Volunteer Experience

Organization	City	Position	From	To
US Fish and Wildlife Service	San Marcos TX	Botanist	1998	2004
Channel Islands National Park	Ventura CA	<small>Supervisory Biologist (Herpetology Extension) (1st rank)</small>	2004	2018
Lake Casitas Rowing Association	Oak View, CA	Board of Directors Secretary	2013	2021

Please briefly describe your qualifications and why you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors.

My professional, volunteer, and personal experience gives me the knowledge, background, and temperament to serve on the Meiners Oaks Water District Board of Directors.

I am an accomplished Natural Resources Manager and Restoration Ecologist for Channel Islands National Park and the US Fish and Wildlife Service with more than 30 years' experience implementing natural resources projects, including construction projects, preparing compliance documents, and obtaining projects funds through grant writing. I have experience managing multiple budgets (>\$500K) and supervising up to 8 employees.

As an Ojai native, (Nordhoff '71), I am familiar with the drought/flood cycle we experience in the valley and I am aware of the need for well thought out water management plans required to serve the agricultural and residential water needs of those in the Meiners Oaks Water District.

I believe strongly in community service and appreciate the many ways community service benefits all the residents of the valley. I have been a supporter and volunteer for the Ojai Valley Land Conservancy having served on the Board of Directors, worked on trail maintenance and habitat restoration projects. I prepared their annual restoration budget and work plan in 2020 during Covid-19 when there was a significant staff change.

Experience working with others on a Board of Directors requires an ability to understand 'the big picture' of the organization and work with others and to smoothly provide services to constituents. I have demonstrated my ability to work with others and accomplish the stated organizational goals having served on the Ojai Valley Land Conservancy board and as secretary of the Lake Casitas Rowing Association since 2013.

As a resident of Meiners Oaks since 2004, a biologist, and a community servant, I am well qualified to serve on the Meiners Oaks Water District Board of Directors and would be honored to serve.

I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct.

Paula Power

6/8/21

I authorize the verification of the information in this application.