

State of California

Board of Pilot Commissioners

for the Bays of San Francisco, San Pablo, and Suisun

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Pilot Commissioners held on September 24, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.

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**Board of Pilot Commissioners (Board or BOPC)
for the Bays of San Francisco, San Pablo, and Suisun
Board Meeting
Thursday, September 24, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.**

Board Meeting Minutes

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present (in person and by phone)

Captain William Benedict, Pilot Member
Captain Robert Carr, Pilot Member
Christine Casey, Designee for the Secretary of the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA)
Captain Lynn Korwatch, Dry Cargo Industry Member
Captain Roy Mathur, Wet Cargo Industry Member
Sam Rodriguez, Public Member
Joanne Hayes-White, Vice President, Public Member
Karen Tynan, President, Public Member (by phone)

Board Members Absent

None

Board Staff Present (in person and by phone)

Allen Garfinkle, Executive Director
Matthew Millspaugh, Assistant Director
Alethea Wong, Licensing and Training Programs Manager
Greg Shepherd, Records Management and Program Support Coordinator
Mari Ayala, Board Administrative Coordinator
Patrick Tuck, Board Counsel

Identified Public Present (in person and by phone)

Captain John Carlier, San Francisco Bar Pilots (SFBP) President and Port Agent
Jennifer Cohen, Vice President, Pacific Merchant Shipping Association (PMSA)
Captain Anne McIntyre, SFBP Business Director
Kevin Baldwin, SFBP General Counsel
Captain Daniel Bridgman, SFBP (by phone)

OPEN MEETING

1. Call to Order and Roll Call. (President Tynan)

Vice President Hayes-White (on behalf of President Tynan) called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Board Administrative Coordinator Ayala called the roll and confirmed a quorum.

2. Public comments on matters on the agenda or not on the agenda.

President Tynan noted that she was participating by phone.

3. Review and approval of Board meeting minutes. (President Tynan)

Possible Board action to approve the minutes of the Board meeting held on August 27, 2026.

MOTION: Commissioner Carr moved to approve the draft August 27, 2026, Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Rodriguez seconded the motion.

VOTE: YES: Benedict, Carr, Hayes-White, Korwatch, Mathur, Rodriguez, Tynan.

NO: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ACTION: The motion was approved.

4. President Announcements and Activities. (President Tynan)

None.

5. Commissioner Announcements and Activities. (Commissioners)

Commissioner Rodriguez stated that he attended the Maritime Industry Summit, at the California Polytechnic State University (Cal Poly) Maritime Academy in Vallejo on September 10, 2026. The summit was hosted by Congressman John Garamendi to or a maritime summit focused on strengthening the nation's maritime industry and building the workforce needed to support its future.

6. Directors' Report. (Executive Director Garfinkle / Assistant Director Millsbaugh)

Summary of the report presented by Executive Director Garfinkle, including activities and correspondence since the last Board meeting, pilot licensing matters, Board surcharge reporting, and pension fiduciary matters. A copy of the full report, including all supporting documents referenced herein, is available for review at the Board office upon request.

A) Correspondence and activities since the Board meeting held on August 27, 2026.

Since the Board meeting of August 27, 2026, the following activities and correspondence have occurred:

- On September 11, 2026, Executive Director Garfinkle attended a CalSTA Directors meeting in Sacramento.
- On September 15, 2026, Board staff received a press release announcing the publication of the National Transportation Safety Board's (NTSB) Safer Seas Digest, detailing lessons learned from various maritime incidents.
- On September 17, 2026, Executive Director Garfinkle attended the monthly

meeting of the Harbor Safety Committee. The United States Coast Guard (USCG) presented its report on the Significant Port Safety and Security Cases for July and August 2026. Among them was a foreign-flagged vehicle carrier that experienced a loss of steering while transiting the Carquinez Strait, a United States flagged cargo vessel that that experienced an equipment failure while departing the Port of Oakland, and a foreign-flagged container ship that lost propulsion while mooring in Oakland. None of the cases were attributed to fuel switching, the original basis for this report.

- On September 22, 2026, Board staff submitted proposed changes to the Pilot Trainee Training Regulations (amendments to 7 California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 214) to the Office of Administrative Law, following the 45-day public comment period which ended on September 14, 2026.
- On September 23, 2026, the Selection Appeal Committee met to review the four appeals received following the simulation test.

Executive Director Garfinkle thanked everyone who assisted with the development and delivery of the 2026 exam. He stated that he appreciated everyone's efforts throughout the process and looked forward to welcoming new trainees to the program.

B) Report on Pilot Licensing Matters, Board Surcharges, and Report of the Pension Fiduciary.

LICENSING:

Since the August 27, 2026 Board meeting, the Board issued license renewals to Board licensees: Captains Alfery, LeSieur, and Olmsted.

BOARD SURCHARGES:

The following is a summary of surcharge billing and collection activity for August 2026:

- For August 2026, the billed amount was \$796,652. This amount was comprised of the following surcharge amounts:
 - Board Operations Surcharge: \$221,794
 - Pilot Training Surcharge: \$28,350
 - Trainee Training Surcharge: \$20,490
 - Pilot Boat Surcharge: \$526,019
- For August 2026, the cash collected and remitted to the Board included a \$21,325 downward adjustment to correct an overpayment to the Board in July 2026, resulting in adjusted cash collections of \$842,729. This amount was comprised of the following surcharge amounts:
 - Board Operations Surcharge: \$241,294
 - Pilot Training Surcharge: \$32,550
 - Trainee Training Surcharge: \$37,924
 - Pilot Boat Surcharge: \$552,285

- **Gross Cash Collections: \$864,053**
- Prior -Period Adjustment - July Overpayment: \$21,325
- **Net Cash Remitted to the Board: \$842,729**
- **KEY OBSERVATIONS:**
 - Cash collected was \$46,076 higher than the billed amount for August 2026.
 - The variance is consistent with normal billing and payment cycle activity and is largely determined by the speed with which shipping companies' accounts payable departments process invoice payments.

AUGUST 2026 PENSION FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

- For August 2026, the SFBP cash collected was \$63,106 higher than the amount distributed to pension plan participants.
 - Billed Amount: \$1,281,908
 - Cash Collected: \$1,345,014
- Surcharge Rate for the Quarter: \$0.04874 per gross registered ton
- Rolling Look Back Period: April 2025 through March 2026
- Monthly Tonnage: 26,300,936 tons
- Monthly Administrative Costs: \$3,170
- Amount Distributed to Pension Beneficiaries: \$1,278,738
- Total Monthly Target Rates: \$1,319,740
- Amount Under Target Baselined on Surcharge Billing: \$37,832

ADDITIONAL DETAILS:

- Total Active Pensioners as of August 31, 2026: 85
- Most Recent Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) Increase: April 1, 2026
- Recently, a pensioner commented that their pension was regularly below the target. Executive Director Garfinkle checked that pensioner's pension history and found that it was consistently within one percent of the target; which demonstrated that the pension formula has been functioning properly.

C) Report on legislative activities and contractual matters.

LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

Assistant Director Millspaugh reported that Assembly Bill (AB) 2788, the transportation omnibus bill, which clarifies that the Bays of San Francisco, San Pablo, and Suisun include the Ports of Sacramento and Stockton, and that insurance provisions apply to any portion of a vessel transit occurring within those ports' waters, was enrolled and approved by Governor Newsom on September 15, 2026.

CONTRACTUAL MATTERS

Assistant Director Millspaugh reported on the status of the following contractual matters:

- Information Technology Modernization Project (ITMP) Information Technology (IT) Solution Request for Proposal (RFP) (Contract # 25M900005): Board staff continue to work on this project. The RFP was released on February 6, 2026. Phase 1 and Phase 2 responses have been evaluated, and qualifying bidders have completed product demonstrations. Board staff and California Department of Technology (CDT) staff have successfully concluded negotiations with the highest-scoring vendor. Contingent upon the vendor's continued viability, the next steps include submission of Project Approval Lifecycle (PAL) include Stage 4 Project Readiness and Approval (S4PRA) documents, final contract development, and contract execution, anticipated to be concluded by November 2026.
- Pilot Continuing Education Contract (Contract # To Be Determined): The current agreement for pilot manned model continuing education services expires June 30, 2027. Based on input from the SFBP and the Continuing Education Committee, Board staff are developing a survey to assess the requirements of a manned model training facility. The survey will be distributed to facilities that provide manned model training services. Based on the survey results, if more than one entity can meet the required service criteria, an RFP will be developed, and competitive procurement will be conducted. If only one entity can provide the required services, a Non-Competitive Bid (NCB) contract will be pursued. The survey is expected to be released no later than October 1, 2026.
- Inter-Agency Agreement for Pilot Boat Audit – State Controller's Office (SCO) (Contract # To Be Determined): Board staff have drafted a Scope of Work (SOW) and provided to the SFBP for review, with the goal of providing the draft to the SCO by mid-October 2026 and execution of the agreement before January 2027.

7. Port Agent's Report. (Port Agent Carlier)

- A) Monthly report on San Francisco Bar Pilots' (SFBP) Port Agent updates, including: a list of pilots who have been Absent for Medical Reasons (AFMR) and any Minimum Rest Period (MRP) exceptions, SFBP Fatigue Risk Mitigation Report, SFBP Pilot Boat Report, and vessel moves.**

Port Agent Carlier reported that as of September 24, 2026:

- **Absent for Medical Reasons (AFMR)**

The following pilots were AFMR, and their initial absence dates were:

- Captain Long, since July 29, 2026.
- Captain Stevens, since September 2, 2026.

- **Recommended Minimum Rest Period (MRP) Exceptions**

The SFBP continuously monitors the dispatch list for possible 12-hour MRP exceptions. If the potential exception is likely to result in a rest period of less than

10 hours, mitigating measures are employed. These measures include, but are not limited to, suspending continuing professional development protocols, cancelling scheduled meetings or Committee assignments, cancelling previously granted compensation time requests, deferring scheduled training sessions, or calling in off-watch pilots.

- **Fatigue Risk Mitigation Report**

- There are currently 52 licensees on the SFBP roster.
- Work periods over 12 hours: 18 occurrences, none exceeded 14 hours.
- Night work periods over 10 hours without rest opportunity: One occurrence.
- Night work periods over 18 hours in a 72-hour period: None.
- Rest periods of less than 12 hours (MRPs): Four occurrences. The minimum rest period was 10.3 hours.

B) Monthly report on SFBP ship piloting business activity.

Port Agent Carlier reported that, as of September 24, 2026:

- The status of each of the SFBP-owned pilot boats was reported as:
 - P/V CALIFORNIA, DRAKE, GOLDEN GATE, PITTSBURG, and SAN FRANCISCO: normal operations.
- Billed vessel moves, for August 2026, were as follows:
 - Bar Crossings: 444
 - Bay Moves: 102
 - River Moves: 46
 - Total Moves: 592
- Total Gross Registered Tonnage (GRT): 26.3 million.
- When comparing the same period in 2025, total moves were down 2.5% and GRT was down 1.3%.

When Vice President Hayes-White asked if the 18 occurrences (of work periods in excess of 12 hours) was high, Port Agent Carlier stated that it seemed normal to him.

C) Monthly confidential written report of licensed pilots who have been Absent for Medical Reasons (AFMR).

The Board may go into closed session to discuss the confidential contents of the Port Agent's report and other relevant confidential medical information, as authorized by Harbors and Navigation Code (HNC) section 1157.1.

None.

8. Pilot Evaluation Committee Report. (Committee Chair Ruff)

Commissioner Benedict provided the PEC report on behalf of PEC Chair Ruff.

A) Report on the Pilot Evaluation Committee (PEC) meeting held on September 16, 2026.

A summary of items discussed and acted on by the PEC under Agenda Item A, as presented by Commissioner Benedict for PEC Member Wehr is presented below. A copy of the full report materials, including all supporting documents referenced herein, is available for review at the Board office upon request.

PEC MEETING – September 16, 2026

The PEC met on Wednesday, September 16, 2026, at 7:30 a.m. The members present were Captains Stultz, Slack, and Wehr. Executive Director Garfinkle joined the PEC in open session from 7:30 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.

- **OPEN SESSION**

During the open session, the PEC addressed the following matters:

- Minutes: The PEC approved the minutes from the prior meeting.
- Correspondence received since last committee meeting, including trainee Johnson's resignation from training.
- When the list for new pilot trainee candidates is approved, the PEC suggested starting two trainees in the training program immediately and a second pair a couple months later, before the end of the year, if possible.

The open session concluded at 7:45 a.m., at which time the PEC moved into closed session.

- **CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT**

- The PEC reviewed the Pilot Trainee Training Program pilot trainee evaluation cards and monthly progress reports.
- There is one active trainee in the program: Captain Roberts. His training time in the program is 13 months. He is observing, performing part handling, and handling ships under the direct supervision of a licensed San Francisco bar pilot.
- Captain Roberts is continuing his First-Class Pilotage (FCP) testing (at the USCG Regional Exam Center (REC)) and riding ships in between testing periods.
- Captain Roberts has completed his pilotage.
- In individual closed session meetings, he talked about issues and/or difficulties encountered, and the PEC attempted to come up with strategies to help advance Captain Roberts' training.

- **OPEN SESSION**

- The next PEC meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2026, at 7:30 a.m. in this office.

- On September 16, 2026, the PEC meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

B) Possible PEC recommendation to place one or more Pilot Trainee Training Program trainees on probation, and/or suspend or dismiss one or more trainees from the program. Possible Board action to place one or more Pilot Trainee Training Program trainees on or off probation, and/or suspend or dismiss one or more trainees from the program.

The Board may go into closed session to discuss any confidential portions of the Committee Chair's report and/or other relevant confidential personal information of a pilot or trainee, as authorized by HNC section 1157.1.

None.

C) Possible PEC recommendation as to whether a trainee has, or trainees have, successfully completed the Pilot Trainee Training Program.

Possible Board action to award a Certificate of Completion to a trainee or trainees who has/have completed the Pilot Trainee Training Program.

None.

D) Possible recommendation from the Executive Director for the Board to issue a state pilot license to a trainee or trainees who hold a Certificate of Completion from the Pilot Trainee Training Program.

Possible Board action to accept a recommendation from the Executive Director that a trainee or trainees holding a Certificate of Completion from the Pilot Trainee Training Program be licensed as a state-licensed pilot, and issue said state license.

None.

9. Reported Safety Standard Violations. (Executive Director Garfinkle)

(Reported safety standard violations occurring up to the start of the meeting will be included.)

None.

10. Reported Piloting Events from the Incident Review Committee (IRC). (Executive Director Garfinkle / Vice President Hayes-White)

(Reportable piloting events occurring up to the start of the meeting will be included.)

None.

11. Presentation of the proposed Board meeting calendar schedule for 2027. (Executive Director Garfinkle)

Possible Board action on the Board meeting calendar for 2027.

Executive Director Garfinkle stated that the proposed Board meeting calendar schedule for 2027 was included in the Board documents. The proposed dates follow the usual pattern of the fourth Thursday of every month, except for November and December being earlier to accommodate holidays.

Assistant Director Millspaugh also stated that a Wednesday was proposed for the

meeting date in November 2027, due to the state-observed holidays on the second and fourth Thursdays in November 2027.

MOTION: Commissioner Rodriguez moved to approve the Board meeting calendar schedule for 2027. Commissioner Korwatch seconded the motion.

VOTE: YES: Benedict, Carr, Hayes-White, Korwatch, Mathur, Rodriguez, Tynan.
NO: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

ACTION: The motion was approved.

12. Board In-Service Planning Committee. (Commissioner Carr)

A) Report on the Ad Hoc Committee meeting held on September 14, 2026.

Commissioner Carr stated that:

- The Committee met on September 14, 2026.
- Commissioners Korwatch and Carr were present. This Committee only consists of two members.
- The Committee agreed:
 - To suggest that the Board Workshop be held after the March Board meeting, on Thursday, March 25, 2027, at 11:00 a.m. or immediately following the adjournment of the Board meeting - whichever is later.
 - To shift from the retreat concept to a review of previous accomplishments and pending tasks. (Functioning as an orientation for new Commissioners and an opportunity for exiting Commissioners to share thoughts.)
 - The In-Service meeting will be a public meeting, in compliance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.
 - That lunch should be provided to those in attendance.

B) Discussion regarding the 2027 Board In-service event.

Possible Board action on recommendation from the Ad Hoc Committee related to the 2027 Board In-service event, or related action.

Board Members agreed to the Board Workshop meeting date and Commissioner Carr stated that the Committee would meet again, closer to the March 25, 2027 meeting, to confirm details.

13. Discussion regarding the addition of train-the-trainer training for the Board-licensed pilots providing pilot trainee training. (President Tynan)

Possible Board action to direct staff to contract for train-the-trainer courses for licensed pilots providing trainee training, refer to a Board committee, or related action.

Board members and attendees discussed training course suggestions, and the decision was made to shift the discussion to the Continuing Education Committee. The Board discussion will be postponed until the Continuing Education Committee has developed recommendations to present to the Board.

Board members and attendees discussed updating regulations, and the SFBP contract,

to better reflect the current process and/or make changes to the current Pilot Trainee Training program.

Executive Director Garfinkle recommended Board staff work with a third-party entity with expertise in pilot training programs, to evaluate the Pilot Trainee Training program process before making changes to the program.

14. Update and discussion on the status of the Board's Information Technology Modernization Project (ITMP). (Assistant Director Millspaugh)

Assistant Director Millspaugh stated that his updates were listed under agenda item 6. Key points included:

- PAL Stage 4: Project Readiness and Approval (S4PRA) is near completion and is expected to be submitted to CDT for approval in October 2026.
- The general timeline for IT solution implementation is seven to eight months after entering into an agreement with the proposed vendor, which is expected in November 2026.

15. Stakeholders' report on subjects that may be of interest to the Board, including reports on shipping activity regionally and within the Board's jurisdiction, and the status of the next pilot build. (Mike Jacob, Pacific Merchant Shipping Association (PMSA) / Captain Anne McIntyre, SFBP)

Ms. Cohen reported on behalf of PMSA that:

- **Legislative updates included:**

- Governor Newsom signed the transportation omnibus bill, AB 2788.
- The House of Representatives passed House Joint Resolution (H.J.Res.) 213 that overturned the California Commercial Harbor Craft (CHC) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) waiver, using the Congressional Review Act (CRA) and House Joint Resolution 210, which did the same for the California At-Berth regulations. The Senate is also poised to act before recessing next week through the November 2026 election.

[This allows Congress the opportunity to rescind California's Federal Clean Air Act (CAA) authority to enact its own emissions standard for the At-Berth Regulation Amendments made in 2020 and the latest CHC rules.]

- **Shipping volumes:**

- Shipping volumes remain high at Southern California ports, with the Port of Los Angeles seeing the fifth-busiest month in their history.
- In contrast, the Port of Oakland had 2.5% less imports and exports than in the same month in 2025.

CalSTA Ex-Officio Member Casey requested Ms. Cohen monitor and update the Board on the development of events related to the Oakland protest on high diesel prices. Although not yet officially announced, this trucker-led protest is anticipated to be held on October 1, 2026.

Captain McIntyre stated that:

- SFBP handled 592 moves in August 2026. This was less than the 620 moves in August 2025, and less than that seen during the downturn in shipping during the Coronavirus Infectious Disease (COVID-19) pandemic time-period. Typically, the moves seen in August are in the mid-600 range. This may reflect front-end loading, for tariffs, coming to an end.
- The Port of Oakland reported a drop in the number of containers, but the total GRT was a less significant drop (August 2026 was 26.3 million GRT, August 2025 was 28.1 million GRT).
- The pilot station boat construction is on schedule. The shipyard will begin laying the keel in the first week of October 2026.

Commissioner Carr asked if there would be a keel laying ceremony.

Captain McIntyre stated that, although the SFBP discussed the possibility of a ceremony, it would be best to wait until more of the structure is in place before holding a ceremony.

16. Update and discussion regarding the status of 2026 Pilot Trainee Training Program Selection Exam, including a report on the Selection Appeal Committee meeting on September 23, 2026. (Commissioner Carr and Executive Director Garfinkle)

Possible Board action to approve the 2026 Pilot Trainee Training Program Selection Exam ranked list, or related action.

Executive Director Garfinkle stated that:

- The Board's 2026 exam has been concluded.
- There were seven candidate inquiries following the simulation test. All seven were addressed by Dainis psychometricians. Three candidates were satisfied with Dainis' response and four candidates moved on to the selection appeal process.
- The Selection Appeal Committee reviewed and denied all four candidate appeals. All appellants were notified of the decision on September 23, 2026, and written responses are being prepared and will be sent to them.
- Board staff prepared an anonymous list of the 10 successful candidates, listed by candidate number.
- PEC requested that the Board wait until after January 2027 before inviting any candidates to become trainees. This suggestion was in consideration of the training disruptions that would be caused if they were to join prior to the end of the year, due to the upcoming holidays (Thanksgiving and Christmas).
- A January 2027 start date would be preferable because the process can take significant time, including time to complete the University of California San Francisco (UCSF) medical review process; which includes seeing a UCSF doctor, taking a chemical test, and seeing a UCSF doctor with the results.

Vice President Hayes-White and attendees discussed the proposed start time for new trainees:

- Vice President Hayes-White inquired about the PEC's recommendation of trainees starting after the first of the new year, which contradicts the PEC report (agenda item 8A).
- Executive Director Garfinkle stated that he spoke with a member of the PEC (Captain Bridgman) in the morning, on September 24, 2026, and PEC Member Bridgman stated that he consulted with Chair Ruff regarding the timing of when trainees should start the program.
- Captain Bridgman provided clarification that, upon reflection and consideration of logistics, he recommended the Board delay adding trainees until January 2027. The first three months of training are intense, so it is best if there are no interruptions so trainees can focus on getting a feel for being a pilot and meeting everyone.

Attendees discussed the fact that delaying trainee start dates would allow a more seamless transition for trainee contract revisions.

Commissioner Rodriguez voiced his support for delaying the new trainee start dates to January 1, 2027.

Board members, attendees, and Executive Director Garfinkle discussed the various roles played by the Board and SFBP regarding the training program and what preliminary tasks must be completed before a trainee begins the program.

- Commissioner Korwatch and Vice President Hayes-White asked if the UCSF health evaluation process could be completed prior to January 1, 2027.
- Executive Director Garfinkle stated once an offer is made for someone to enter the Pilot Trainee Program there are many moving parts, including but not limited to contract signing, trainee orientation, and a medical evaluation. Trainees also often need time, after accepting their place in the Pilot Trainee Program, to resolve personal matters, such as moving to the area.

Board members and attendees discussed the trainee list and the pros and cons of keeping the 2026 exam results anonymous or publishing the names of the candidates that passed the 2026 Pilot Trainee Training Exam.

MOTION: Commissioner Carr moved to approve the list of 10 candidates.
Commissioner Rodriguez seconded the motion.

VOTE: YES: Benedict, Carr, Hayes-White, Korwatch, Mathur, Rodriguez, Tynan.
NO: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

ACTION: The motion was approved.

Board members and attendees continued their discussion regarding the pros and cons of including candidate names on the list of successful candidates from the 2026 Board pilot trainee exam. SFBP encouraged the Board to release the names to support transparency. Board members and Board Counsel cited concerns, weighing transparency and protecting the privacy and anonymity of candidates.

MOTION: Commissioner Carr moved for the approved list to include first and last name of each successful candidate, as long as such inclusion conforms with what was done in the 2022 trainee candidate list. Commissioner Benedict seconded the motion.

VOTE: YES: Benedict, Carr, Hayes-White, Mathur, Tynan.
NO: Korwatch.
ABSTAIN: Rodriguez.

ACTION: The motion was approved.

17. Closed session for the Board to confer with legal counsel regarding potential significant exposure to litigation against the Board involving a former licensee. (Board Counsel)

The Board is authorized to discuss this matter in a closed session pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, Government Code section 11126, subdivisions (e)(1) and (e)(2)(B).

Board Counsel Tuck stated that there were no substantive updates and requested the agenda item be kept on the agenda for next month's Board meeting.

18. Proposals for the next Board meeting agenda. (President Tynan)

Captain McIntyre requested an agenda item to discuss a potential statutory exemption for piloting training vessels being exempt from pilotage fees.

Board Counsel Tuck requested that agenda item 12 [regarding the Board Workshop] be kept on the October 2026 agenda.

Commissioner Carr stated the Committee will work with Board staff to decide when to meet instead of carrying over the agenda item at a later date.

19. Comments by public and Commissioners on matters not on the agenda.

Assistant Director Millspaugh stated that Board staff are evaluating the options for a facility move or retrofit of the current Board facility and that an agenda item to discuss updates could be added to the agenda for next month.

20. Adjournment.

Vice President Hayes-White adjourned the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

Submitted by:



Allen Garfinkle
Executive Director

ACRONYM INDEX

Acronyms / Abbreviations	Definition
AB	Assembly Bill
AFMR	Absent For Medical Reasons
BOPC/Board	Board of Pilot Commissioners
CAA	Clean Air Act
Cal Poly	The California Polytechnic State University
CalSTA	The California State Transportation Agency
CCR	California Code of Regulations
CDT	The California Department of Technology
CHC	Commercial Harbor Craft
COLA	Cost of Living Adjustment
COVID	Coronavirus Infectious Disease (March 2020-May 2023 when there was a nationwide shutdown, and the populace was encouraged to self-quarantine)
CRA	Congressional Review Act
Dainis	Dainis & Company, Incorporated (Psychometrician company)
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
FCP	First-Class Pilotage (test)
GRT	Gross Registered Tons
H.J.Res.	House Joint Resolution
HNC	Harbors and Navigation Code
IRC	Incident Review Committee
IT	Information Technology
ITMP	Information Technology Modernization Project
MRP	Minimum Rest Period (12 hours)
NCB	Non-Competitive Bid
NTSB	National Transportation Safety Board
PAL	Project Approval Lifecycle
PEC	Pilot Evaluation Committee
PMSA	The Pacific Merchant Shipping Association
REC	Regional Exam Center
RFP	Request for Proposal
S4PRA	Stage 4 Project Readiness and Approval
SCO	The State Controller's Office
SOW	Scope of Work
SFBP	San Francisco Bar Pilots
UCSF	The University of California San Francisco
USCG	United States Coast Guard

This and other documents for this meeting can be found on the Board's website
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