

December 14, 2022



# SUMMARY OF PROPOSED 2023 LIPA MEETINGS

Board/Committee	Number of Meetings	Average Length	Total Time
Board	7	1 hour, 30 mins.	11 hours
F&A	7	1 hour, 15 mins.	8.75 hours
Oversight & Clean Energy	5	1 hour, 10 mins.	6.0 hours
Governance, Planning and Personnel	4	50 minutes	3.25 hours
Total Number of Meetings	23	Total Time Spent*	29 hours

\*The proposed Board agendas for 2023 do not include:

- 1. A time allowance for executive sessions or emerging issues, which are likely to increase the total time spent by the Board during the year by 4 or more hours; or
- 2. Board briefings, workshops, and training, which are in addition to the Board's meeting schedule, and may include work with the Board's governance consultant



## **PROPOSED JANUARY 25, 2023 MEETINGS**

Total pro	posed time for January meetings (approximate):	3.5 hours
F&A	<ul> <li>Routine F&amp;A Matters (30 mins.)</li> <li>Discussion of Internal Audit Activities, Approval of 2023 Internal Audit Plan, 2023 Internal Audit Budget, and Resource Requirements (10 mins.)</li> <li>Annual Financial Package (see Appendix) (10 mins.)</li> <li>Committee's Annual Self Report (10 mins.)</li> <li>Review of Committee's Charter (10 mins.)</li> </ul>	[70 mins.]
Governance, Planning & Personnel	<ul> <li>Discussion of 2022 Projects and Accomplishments and 2023 Work Plan (30 mins.)</li> <li>Annual Governance Package (see Appendix) (10 mins.)</li> </ul>	[40 mins.]
Board	<ul> <li>Roll call, consent agenda, CEO Report ("Routine Board Matters") (30 mins.)</li> <li>Discussion of 5-year Strategic Roadmaps (30 mins.)</li> <li>Approval of Strategic Planning Policy (15 mins.)</li> <li>Approval of Performance Management Policy (15 mins.)</li> <li>Consideration of Capacity Purchase (10 mins.)</li> <li>Public Comment (10 mins.)</li> </ul>	[110 mins.]



### **PROPOSED MARCH 29, 2023 MEETINGS**

Board	<ul> <li>Routine Board Matters (30 mins.)</li> <li>Review and Approval of 2022 Financials (10 mins.)</li> <li>Approval of Tariff Changes (20 mins.)</li> <li>Consideration of Power Purchase Agreement Extension (10 mins.)</li> <li>Public Comment (20 mins.)</li> <li>EXECUTIVE SESSION: Board's Self Evaluation (40 mins.)</li> </ul>	[140 mins.]
F&A	<ul> <li>Routine F&amp;A Matters (20 mins.)</li> <li>Discussion of ER&amp;T 2022 Metrics Performance and Presentation on Power and Fuel Supply Management and Hedging (20 mins.)</li> <li>2022 Audit Results from Independent Auditors (20 mins.)</li> <li>EXECUTIVE SESSION with Independent Auditors (15 mins.)</li> <li>Recommendation to Approve 2022 Financials (15 mins.)</li> <li>Fiscal Sustainability Policy (20 mins.)</li> </ul>	[110 mins.]
Gov., Planning & Personnel	<ul> <li>EXECUTIVE SESSION: CEO Performance and Compensation (20 mins.)</li> <li>Committee's Annual Self Report to the Board (includes results of Board's self-evaluation for 2022) (15 mins.)</li> <li>Review Committee Charter (10 mins.)</li> </ul>	[45 mins.]



### PROPOSED MARCH 29, 2023 MEETINGS, CONT.

<ul> <li>Oversight</li> <li>&amp; Clean</li> <li>Energy</li> <li>Briefing on Winter Storm Summary (20 mins.)</li> <li>Committee's Annual Self Report to the Board (10 mins.)</li> <li>EXECUTIVE SESSION: Cybersecurity (20 mins.)</li> </ul>	[50 mins.]
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Total proposed time for March meetings (approximate): 5.75 hours



### **PROPOSED MAY 17, 2023 MEETINGS**

Board	<ul> <li>Routine Board Matters (30 mins.)</li> <li>Taxes and PILOTs Policy (15 mins.)</li> <li>Quarterly Report on 2023 Performance Metrics (30 mins.)</li> <li>Public Comment (20 mins.)</li> </ul>	[95 mins.]
F&A	<ul> <li>Routine F&amp;A Matters (20 mins.)</li> <li>EXECUTIVE SESSION: Internal Audit (10 mins.)</li> <li>Review Quarterly Financials Ended March 30 (10 mins.)</li> <li>Review Audit Relationships Policy, Internal Audit Charter and Confirmation of Independence and Code of Ethics (15 mins.)</li> <li>Review of Customer Value and Affordability Policy (15 mins.)</li> </ul>	[70 mins.]

#### Oversight & Clean Energy

- T&D Operations Policy (20 mins.)
- Summer Preparation for Power Supply & T&D (20 mins.)
- Review Committee Charter (10 mins.)



[50 mins.]

## PROPOSED MAY 17, 2023 MEETINGS, CONT.

Governance, Planning & Personnel	•	Review of Values of Integrity and Responsiveness Policy (15 mins.) Review of Trustee Communications Policy (15 mins.) EXECUTIVE SESSION: Succession Planning (20 mins.)	[50 mins.]
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#### Total proposed time for May meetings (approximate)4.5 hours



### **PROPOSED JUNE 28, 2023 MEETINGS**

Board	<ul> <li>Routine Board Matters (30 mins.)</li> <li>Discussion of 2022 Performance Metrics (20 mins.)</li> <li>Public Comment (20 mins.)</li> </ul>	[70 mins.]
Oversight & Clean Energy	<ul> <li>Update on T&amp;D Capital Budget (20 mins.)</li> <li>Review Annual Update to Emergency Restoration Plan (20 mins.)</li> <li>Resource Planning and Clean Energy Policy (20 mins.)</li> <li>Update on 2023 Utility 2.0 &amp; Energy Efficiency Filing; Presentation of Annual Energy Efficiency Report (40 mins.)</li> <li>Report on Y-49 Cable (10 mins.)</li> </ul>	[110 mins.]
F&A	<ul> <li>Routine F&amp;A Matters (15 mins.)</li> <li>Investment Policy (10 mins.)</li> <li>Economic Development &amp; Community Engagement Policy (15 mins.)</li> </ul>	[40 mins.]



### PROPOSED JUNE 28, 2023 MEETINGS, CONT.

Governance,	<ul> <li>Staffing &amp; Employment Policy (15 mins.)</li> </ul>	
Planning &	<ul> <li>Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Policy (15 mins.)</li> </ul>	[45 mins.]
Personnel	<ul> <li>Purposes and Roles of the LIPA Trustees Policy (15 mins.)</li> </ul>	
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#### Total proposed time for June meetings (approximate)

5 hours



### **PROPOSED SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 MEETINGS**

Total proposed time for September meetings (approximate):		3.5 hours
Oversight & Clean Energy	<ul> <li>Briefing on Implementation of Management Audit Recommendations (20 mins.)</li> </ul>	[20 mins.]
F&A	<ul> <li>Routine F&amp;A Matters (20 mins.)</li> <li>Review Quarterly Financials Ended June 30 (10 mins.)</li> <li>Discuss Independent Auditor's 2023 Audit Plan (20 mins.)</li> </ul>	[50 mins.]
Board	<ul> <li>Routine Board Matters (30 mins.)</li> <li>Construction of T&amp;D Projects Policy (20 mins.)</li> <li>Quarterly Report on 2023 Performance Metrics (20 mins.)</li> <li>Annual Report on Public Policy Transmission Planning (15 mins.)</li> <li>Discussion of Integrated Resource Plan (30 mins.)</li> <li>Public Comment (20 mins.)</li> </ul>	[135 mins.]



## **PROPOSED NOVEMBER 15, 2023 MEETING**

Total	proposed time for <b>November</b> meetings (approximate)	4 hours
F&A	<ul> <li>Routine F&amp;A Matters (20 mins.)</li> <li>Review Quarterly Financials Ended September 30 (10 mins.)</li> <li>Presentation from PSEG ER&amp;T on Power and Fuel Supply Management and Hedging (20 mins.)</li> <li>Power Supply Hedging Policy (15 mins.)</li> <li>Enterprise Risk Management Policy and Annual Insurance Review (30 mins.)</li> </ul>	[95 mins.]
Board	<ul> <li>Proposed 2024 Budget and Performance Metrics Presentation (60 mins.)</li> <li>Q&amp;A (30 mins.)</li> <li>Quarterly Report on 2023 Performance Metrics (20 mins.)</li> <li>Customer Experience Policy (15 mins.)</li> <li>EXECUTIVE SESSION – Succession Planning (20 mins.)</li> </ul>	[145 mins.]



### **PROPOSED DECEMBER 13, 2023 MEETING**

Board	<ul> <li>Routine Board Matters (30 mins.)</li> <li>Approval of Tariff Changes (15 mins.)</li> <li>Approval of 2024 Budget and Performance Metrics (20 minutes)</li> <li>Governance and Agenda Planning Policy (15 mins.)</li> <li>Consideration of Energy Storage Contracts (10 mins.)</li> <li>Public Comment (20 mins.)</li> </ul>	[90 mins.]
F&A	<ul> <li>Routine F&amp;A Matters (20 mins.)</li> <li>Approval of 2024 Budget and Performance Metrics (10 mins.)</li> <li>Approval of 2024 Plan of Finance (10 mins.)</li> <li>EXECUTIVE SESSION: Internal Audit (10 mins.)</li> <li>Approval of Tariff Changes (15 mins.)</li> </ul>	[65 mins.]
Oversight & Clean Energy	<ul> <li>Safety Policy (20 mins.)</li> <li>Information Technology and Cyber Security (10 mins.)</li> <li>EXECUTIVE SESSION: Cybersecurity (25 mins.)</li> </ul>	[55 mins.]
Total pro	posed time for December meetings (approximate):	4 hours







## ANNUAL GOVERNANCE PACKAGE

- Procurement Policy
- Property Acquisition / Disposition Policy
- Lobbying Policy
- By-Laws
- Code of Ethics and Conduct
- Trustee Communications Policy
- Whistleblower Policy



### **ANNUAL FINANCIAL PACKAGE**

- Investment and Risk Policy
- Interest Rate Exchange Agreement Policy
- Prompt Payment Policy
- Investment Report



#### FOR CONSIDERATION

December 14, 2022

**TO:** The Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Thomas Falcone

**SUBJECT:** Approval of the Annual Report on the Board's Policy on Governance and Agenda Planning

#### **Requested Action**

The Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Long Island Power Authority ("LIPA") is requested to adopt a resolution: (i) finding that LIPA has complied with the Policy on Board Governance and Agenda Planning (the "Policy") for the period since the last annual review of the Policy; and (ii) approving the annual report for the Policy, which resolution is attached hereto as **Exhibit "A."** 

#### **Background**

By Resolution No. 1323, dated September 21, 2016, the Board adopted the Policy. The Policy provides that the "members of the Board of Trustees of the Long Island Power Authority are fiduciaries who are collectively entrusted with responsibility for the Authority, including ensuring LIPA achieves its mission and values for the benefit of its customer-owners. The Chief Executive Officer of the Authority, including acting through the Authority's service provider, is responsible for implementing the Board's policies and the day-to-day operations of the Authority."

The Board conducts an annual review of the Policy and considers as part of its annual review whether LIPA has remained in compliance with the Policy and whether any updates or revisions should be made to the Policy. The Board last reviewed the Policy in December 2021.

#### **Compliance with the Board Policy on Governance and Agenda Planning**

LIPA Staff recommends, for the reasons set forth below, that the Board find that LIPA has complied with the objectives of the Policy for the period since the last annual review.

The Policy provides that the Board will "Use the expertise of individual members to enhance the understanding of the Board as a body, without allowing the expertise of individual members or staff to substitute for the judgment of the Board as a whole."

- Trustees are assigned by the Chair to Board Committees based, in part, on their individual experience outside of LIPA. In 2022, no new Trustees were assigned to any Committee.
- The Trustees have adopted a Board Policy governance process to provide clear direction to LIPA Staff from the Board, acting as a whole, rather than Trustees acting as individual members, including the Board Policy on Trustee Communication.
- The Trustees have annually conducted a survey and review of their collective performance, and have instituted improvements to the Board's governance, such as a facilitated process to

review and enhance the Board Policy governance model, changes to Committee charters, a process to receive constructive feedback from staff on the Board's performance, and better use of the Board's time through judicious use of a Consent Agenda for consensus and ministerial items.

The Policy provides that the Board will "Direct and control the Authority through the careful establishment of broad written policies reflecting the Board's values and perspectives for the benefit of the Authority's customer owners. The Board's major policy focus will be on the intended long-term impacts, not on the administrative means of attaining those impacts, which are the role of the chief executive and service provider."

- The Board has over the course of eight years, adopted approximately 30 policies that focus on the intended long-term impacts, rather than the administrative means of achieving those impacts. New policies are developed, and existing policies are revised at the direction of the Board to address LIPA's long-term plans and values or adapt to changing circumstances in the industry or within LIPA's operations.
- In 2021, the Board hired Leading Resources, Inc. to conduct a review of the Board policy structure and to facilitate working group discussions to amend certain Board policies to better align with LIPA's vision for the utility. In 2022, the Board adopted updated policies on, among others, Clean Energy and Power Supply; Customer Value, Affordability and Rate Design; Fiscal Sustainability, and Economic Development and Community Engagement. With Leading Resources, Inc., the Board will form additional working groups, as needed, to review other policies in 2023.

The Policy provides that "the Board will monitor the Board's process, performance and activities in comparison to its governance objectives" and "Monitor the Board's process, performance and activities in comparison to its governance objectives."

- The Board policies are reviewed by the Board or appropriate Committee annually for compliance purposes. The annual reports include information relating to performance and activities in furtherance of the Board's governance objectives. In addition, the Governance, Planning and Personnel Committee (the "Governance Committee") conducts an annual review of the overall effectiveness of the Board.
- The Board Policy Implementation Reports are available on the LIPA's website.

The Policy provides that the Board "Pursue continual board education and development across all areas of the Authority's operations and Board activities, including orientation of new members in the Board's fiduciary duties, governance process, and periodic discussion of governance process improvement."

• LIPA Staff regularly provides the Board with training opportunities, including those requested by the Trustees, in a variety of different areas, including governance, utility operations and trends, electric rates, and finance. For example, in November 2022, the Board had a presentation from Dennis Pidherny from Fitch Ratings on trends, key drivers and utility fundamentals from the perspective of the financial community.

The Policy provides that "the Board will establish and maintain an outline of the core competencies required for an effective Board member (see, Appendix A of the Policy); establish and maintain an outline of the core competencies required for an effective Chairperson and Committee Chairs (see, Appendix A of the Policy); and establish and maintain a list of Trustee expectations to ensure that all Trustees have a common understanding of the requirements for a productive and engaged Board member (see, Appendix B of the Policy)."

• The Board has adopted both a set of core competencies and a list of expectations for all Trustees and specifically for the Chairperson and Committee Chairs, which are reviewed annually.

The Policy provides that the Board "Systematically monitor the performance of the Chief Executive Officer and service provider relative to the policies of the Board relating to its mission and values and any limitations established by Board policy. To do so, the Board will adopt a schedule developed as part of the annual Board agenda planning process..."

- Annually, the Governance Committee reviews the performance of the Chief Executive Officer relative to the policies of the Board.
- Annually, LIPA Staff provides the Board with the proposed agenda for all Board meetings for the Board's review and comment. Likewise, the Secretary to the Board provides periodic written reports relating to compliance with each policy, as appropriate.
- LIPA's Service Provider regularly provides the Trustees with information relating to the Service Provider's performance under the Second Amended and Restated Operations Services Agreement.

#### **Proposed Changes to the Board Policy**

LIPA Staff has completed its annual review of the Policy and has no suggested amendments at this time.

#### **Recommendation**

Based upon the foregoing, I recommend approval of the above-requested action by adoption of a resolution in the form attached hereto.

#### Attachments

Exhibit "A" Resolution

#### **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON THE BOARD GOVERNANCE AND AGENDA PLANNING POLICY**

**WHEREAS**, the Board Governance and Agenda Planning Policy (the "Policy") was originally approved by the Board of Trustees by Resolution No. 1323, dated September 21, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the Policy was last amended by the Board pursuant to Resolution No. 1505, dated December 18, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has conducted an annual review of the Policy and affirms that the Policy has been complied with.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that consistent with the accompanying memorandum, the Board hereby finds that LIPA has complied with the Policy for the period since the last annual review and approves the annual report to the Board.

Dated: December 14, 2022