

FRANCHISE TAX BOARD MEETING

September 8, 2025

The Franchise Tax Board met in Open session at 10:00 a.m. at the Franchise Tax Board, 9646 Butterfield Way, in Sacramento, California. Present were Controller Malia M. Cohen, Deputy State Controller Hasib Emran, Member Ted Gaines, and Danamona Andrianarimanana, Department of Finance, for Member Stephenshaw.

Franchise Tax Board Staff Participating:

Selvi Stanislaus, Shane Hofeling, Erin Dendorfer, Cristina Rubalcava, Nchet Roots, Katie Frank, Prachi Vardhe, Elias Dominguez, Susan Maples, Jennifer Barton, Thi Luong, Abel Escobar, David Velo and Megan Wahl.

Other Participants:

Christine Grab – Taxpayer
Danielle Bautista - United Ways of California

Item 1. – Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the May 14, 2025 Franchise Tax Board meeting were approved 3-0.

Item 2. – FTB 2021-2025 Strategic Plan Update: Goal 3 – Strong Organization

The Board received a staff report on the FTB 2021-2025 Strategic Plan Update: Goal 3 – Strong Organization.

Public comment was received by Mrs. Grab related to FTB staffing issues.

Item 3. – Customer Service Enhancements, Education, and Outreach

The Board received a staff report on Customer Service Enhancements, Education, and Outreach.

Item 4. – Update on Earned Income Tax Credit, Foster Youth Tax Credit, and Young Child Tax Credit

The Board received a staff report update on Earned Income Tax Credit, Foster Youth Tax Credit, and Young Child Tax Credit.

Public comment was received by the following individuals:

Danielle Bautista from United Ways of California provided comments expressing gratitude for the longstanding partnership with FTB and CSD since the CalEITC's inception.

Christine Grab provided comments on concerns regarding FTB's education and outreach program.

Item A. Closed Session

The Board went into Closed session at 11: 48 a.m. to allow the Board to discuss pending litigation.

After the conclusion of Closed session, the Board reconvened the meeting into Open session at 12:01 p.m. and announced that they met in closed session to discuss pending litigation.

Item 5. – Legislative Update

The Board received a staff report on the Legislative Update.

Item 6. – Administrative Matters

The Board received a staff request on the following 2026-27 Budget Change Proposals for Board approval:

1. Enterprise Data to Revenue Phase 2 (EDR2)
2. Mainframe Workload Growth
3. Campus Security Guards
4. FTB Data Platform Modernization
5. Political Reform Act

The Board voted 2-0 to approve the 2026/27 Budget Change Proposals, noting Member Andrianarimanana did not participate in the vote.

The Board received a staff request on the following Contracts Over \$2 Million for Board approval:

1. IBM Passport Advantage Renewal
2. Interagency Agreement with the California Department of Community Services and Development

The Board voted 3-0 to approve the Contracts Over \$2 Million.

Item 7. – Executive Officer's Time

Selvi thanked the Board members for their continued support and how grateful everyone is for those who attended the 2025 Advisory Board meeting on August 28, 2025. Selvi also gave thanks to everyone who attended the FTB Values YOU event and the 28th Annual Wellness Fair.

FTB held a series of career and hiring events to attract new talent to FTB and those events were well-attended and reflected FTB's ongoing commitment to investing in the future of our workforce. Selvi thanked the FTB staff for their incredible work and the Board for all of their encouragement.

Item 8. - Board Members' Time

Controller Cohen took a moment to honor the memory of the late Senator John Burton and took a moment of silence.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

Board Liaison

Date