

Minutes
PUBLIC BOARD MEETING
CONFERENCE CALL (7:00am)
September 30, 2011

I. Roll-call, Establish Quorum

Board Members in attendance included Mike Easley, Kyle White, and Bryce Freeman. A quorum was established. Also participating were Loyd Drain, Executive Director and Holly Martinez, Administrative Manager, Rob Hurless and Colin McKee with the Governor's office and Tom Dennis with Cassidy and Associates

II. Approve Agenda

Bryce made motion to approve the agenda. Kyle seconded that motion. The agenda was approved by unanimous assent.

III. Approve Minutes from September 14, 2011 Board Conference Call

Kyle made a motion to approve the minutes. Bryce seconded that motion. The minutes were approved with unanimous assent.

IV. DC Update: Tom Dennis, Cassidy & Associates

Tom Dennis gave an update to the Board on transmission developments in Washington.

V. Report from the Staff

a. **Comment opportunity for Colin McKee:**

Colin provided an update relative to his activities.

b. **Comment opportunity for Rob Hurless:**

Rob provided an update relative to his activities.

• **Conferences/Meetings: SEP & OCT 2011:**

- **Transmission Policies to unlock America's Renewable Energy Resources (Stanford University—9/15):** Staff gave a report.
- **Transmission Summit West 2011 (San Francisco—9/19 to 9/21):** Loyd participated on a panel at this event. Loyd gave a report.
- **Western Wind & Transmission Summit (9/25 to 9/27—Big Sky, MT):** Loyd attended and served on a panel. Loyd gave report.
- **Agriculture & Energy Workshop (9/29, Laramie):** Loyd gave the keynote—co-sponsored by University of WY and the Soil & Water Conservation Society.
- **2011 Gasification Technologies Conference—California:** Staff will not attend.

- **State Authorities Meeting—10/24---prior to the WIA Board meeting:**
This meeting has been set. At least 4 authorities will be in attendance. There will be a few guest speakers-Craig Knoell (WAPA), Tom Darin (AWEA) and Tom Dennis. Board members are welcome to attend the meeting which starts at 11:30am in Laramie.
 - **Interim Revenue Committee Meeting (10/27 to 10/28 Worland):**
Loyd plans to attend. Board Members are welcome.
- **WCI Project Update:**
The TSA with the 3rd party applicant is being negotiated by LS Power. Expect to have a fully executed document by mid-Oct, 2011.
- **Renewable Energy Rapid Response Team:**
Staff provided an update on the call.
- **Outreach initiative:**
Loyd gave an update on the call.
- **News Release re: WECC 10 yr Study:**
Loyd gave report.
- **Biennium Budget process for FY2013-2014:**
Meeting scheduled with Jill Jensen from the Budget office next week.
- **Board Retreat on August 22-23 in Cheyenne:**
Staff has a number of items to complete.
- **Fall Board meeting on 10/25:**
Rough draft agenda has been distributed to Board for comments. The final agenda will be done by October 6, 2011.
- **Next Board Call is scheduled for October 14, 2011**

VI. New Business

No new business was offered.

VII. Public Comment Opportunity

No public comment was offered.

VIII. Adjournment

Bryce made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike seconded that motion. Motion passed.