Wyoming Energy Authority April 13,2023 PUBLIC BOARD MEETING 8:00 am MT

Zoom Meeting link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88683274615?pwd=QIBZRIBOVUhxe jZVUmIhYmFURnMydz09

Location: Offices of the Wyoming Business Council 214 West 15th Street Cheyenne, WY

A regular public meeting of the Wyoming Energy Authority was convened at the above time. The meeting was held by video and conference call. Presiding was Paul Ulrich, Chairman of the Wyoming Energy Authority.

Roll-call, Establish Quorum, Approve Agenda

Chairman. Ulrich called the roll, a quorum was present, as indicated below. Meeting began at 8:05 AM.

Name	Position	Present	Absent
Paul Ulrich	Chair, Voting Member	Х	
Wendy Hutchinson	Vice-Chair, Voting Member	Х	
Wanda Burget	Secretary, Voting Member	Х	
Mark Stege	Voting Member	Х	
Donna Lawrence	Voting Member	Х	
Ken Miller	Voting Member	Х	
Kara Choquette	Voting Member	Х	
Randall Luthi	Ex-Officio, Non-Voting Member, WY Gov's Office (Interim Director, WEA)	Х	
Holly Krutka	Ex-Officio, Non-Voting Member, UW SER		Х
Lon Whitman	Ex-Officio, Non-Voting Member, UW EORI	Х	
Josh Dorrell	Ex-Officio, Non-Voting Member, WY Bus Council	Х	
Tom Kropatsch	Ex-Officio, Non-Voting Member, WOGCC	Х	
Jami Blosmo	Accounting Manager, WEA		

	Honora Kerr	3Elephants – PR/Comms Consultant to WEA	Х	Х		
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Opening Comments

Chairman Ulrich welcomed participants to the meeting.

Approve Consent Agenda Items Minutes

- MOTION: Move to approve agenda of the April 13, 2023 meeting. Stege/Lawrence. Approved by acclamation.
- MOTION: Move to approve minutes from the public meeting held February 9, 2023. Stege/Choquette/Lawrence. Approved by acclamation.
- MOTION: Move to Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. Stege/Lawrence. Approved by Acclamation

Executive Session :

Return to Public Session

Motion to elect Board Officers, Choquette/Lawrence. Approved by acclamation: Officers are: <u>Wendy Hutchinson</u>, Chairwoman

Wanda Burget, Vice Chairwoman Mark Stege, Secretary/Treasurer

Interim Director's report

Nuclear Strategy/Framework - Draft will submitted to Board Members for review ITC Groundbreaking: Scheduled for May 2, 2023 ITC/SER: Governor's letter of delegation sent March 8, 2023 WEA Summit: All progressing well, sponsorship goal is met WEA office move: Scheduled for June 30, 2023. Discussion of Board Members touring the new space on May 8th or 9th. New office will have space for 8 and a conference room. HHub: Application for DOE grant submitted on April 7. Total of 8 projects proposed

across the four states (Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico and Utah).

Staff updates

Marcio: See Attached.

Patrick: See Attached.

Jami Blosmo: Financial Report presented. MOTION: LAWRENCE/BURGET: Approve financial report: Approved by acclamation.

Old Business

- Gaffney/Kline; Report may not be released until new Executive Director has an opportunity to review.
- MOU between WEA and EORI has been signed
- Funds for EORI Pipeline Program have been transferred to the appropriate account at the University of Wyoming for use by the EORI

New Business

Next Board Meeting to be scheduled for the morning of May 8th. The Interim director is to make arrangements.

Discussion of Transition and use of focus groups. There was general discussion of the potential use of focus groups involving Board members and staff to focus on particular areas. Potential areas included strategy/planning, legacy energy, frontier energy, Governors energy matching funds, communications, energy transmission/transportation.

There was general discussion of the need for retreat after the new executive director is on board to identify short and long-term goals.

Public Comment:

Monika Leininger informed the Board of The Nature Conservancy's sponsored study on repurposing coal lands. The interim director was directed to share the link to the study with the board members.

No other public comment

9:24 am MOTION: MILLER/BURGET To convene in Executive Session to discuss contract issues. Approved by acclamation.

Back into public session

MOTION: STEGE/LAWRENCE TO ADJOURN. Passed by acclamation.

Meeting Adjourned:

Recording Secretary

Mark Stege

WEA Public Board Meeting Minutes