

GVEA Member Advisory Committee

Minutes of the Meeting 01/13/21 (send to pr@gvea.com)

The meeting was called to order at 01/13/21 6:30 p.m. by chair Alyssa

The roll call was taken.

MAC in Attendance: Virtual: Mike Bradley, Audrey Brown, Allison Carter, Carol Colp, Carol-Lee Gho, Ben Gorman, Anita Hartmann, Terry Hinman, Bob Hildebrandt, Russell Johnston, John Kelleher, Benjamin Loeffler, Korene Long, Mathew Mund, Alyssa Norris, Bobbie Ortiz, Angela Ritchie, Karm Singh, Harmony Tomaszewski, Enlow Walker, Rodney Rutherford

MAC Absent: Richard Theilmann EXCUSED: Terry Hinman

GVEA staff present (from agenda): John Burns, Meadow Bailey, Ashley Bradish, Kathryn Strle, Abby Dillard, Nathan Minnema

Board Members present (from agenda): Brad Benson

Visiting Members present (list names): Jim Schwarber

Safety Moment Topic: Slips, trips and falls and relating to ice. Be aware of your surroundings, do a penguin walk. 😊

The agenda was approved: without amendments. Audrey abstains from voting as she did not receive a copy.

The minutes from the last meeting were approved: without corrections.

FOR ALL SECTIONS BELOW – LIST PERSON SPEAKING AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF TOPICS COVERED (*not verbatim*)

Visiting Member Comments: declined comment

New Business Topic (from agenda): Harmony Tomaszewski will be mac report volunteer on Mon Jan 25th 6:30+

Nathan Minnema, acting director of engineering services: Renewable RFI (request for information) & RFP Update (request for proposal)

Solar, Cogeneration, Eva Creek, Solar Project, Bradley Lake Hydro, Bess, Renewable Energy Pledge, Carbon Reduction Pledge

Looking at IPP (independent Power Producers), issue RFI proposals

RFI will be available on multiple platforms on the web and directly to interested parties.

Comments and discussion were made about Delta wind proposals and concerns about individuals involved.

Board Report topics covered (not verbatim – list topics covered):

Brad Benson Dist. 7:

He is the new guy to the board

Electric Car updates

GVEA is tobacco free including all property

Benevolent Fund – contact Love INC

Increased scholarship amounts

Battery Energy Storage System is nearing end of useful life

Comments centered on cost viability and technology

Unfinished Business: none

MAC Roundtable: Thank you for the presentations, Nominating Committee for District 4 & 7 are needing names. Applications are due by the 20th. Thank you for the Christmas light contest, Smart meters questions, GVEA google reviews are low. Happy 75th birthday to GVEA

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm