

**Virginia Nuclear Energy Consortium Authority
Board Meeting**

Tuesday, March 24, 2015 | 10:00 a.m.

VCU East Engineering Hall | Room E3218 | Richmond, VA

Approved Minutes

The Virginia Nuclear Energy Consortium Authority (VNECA) Board meeting was called to order at 10:06 AM on March 24, 2015 in Richmond.

Don Hoffman, Chairman of VNECA, called the meeting to order.

The following members were present: Chairman Don Hoffman, Jennifer Boykin (on behalf Matthew Mulherin), Colleen Deegan, Srinath Ekkad, David Christian, Jerry Giles, Maureen Matsen, Mike Skiffington and Gary Tepper.

The following members were absent: Jim Aylor, Bob Bailey, John Capps, Frank Gillespie, Mary Alice Hayward, Ganapati Myneni and Mark Troutman.

The Board approved the minutes from the December 4, 2014 meeting.

Sama Bilbao y Leon, representing the Virginia Nuclear Energy Consortium, provided an update on the Consortium's activities. The Consortium held its organizational meeting on January 12, where it elected officers and set out initial philosophy of work in 2015. The Consortium Board has engaged in bi-weekly conference call meetings to discuss organizational activities including incorporation, accounting services and advertising for an executive director.

The Consortium has identified several strategic priorities including convening meeting of industry experts on workforce development and training, facilitating partnerships such as the IST Facility in Lynchburg and serving as a consolidating and promotional body for information and data on nuclear energy in Virginia.

Chairman Hoffman gave a presentation to the Board on nuclear issues on the national level, their impact on Virginia with a focus on the EPA's 111(d) rule and how nuclear generation is accounted for in the draft rule.

Chairman Hoffman informed the Board that they will receive a more comprehensive update on federal nuclear issues from Craig Piercy of the American Nuclear Society at the May meeting.

The Board discussed other potential high-profile guest speakers or university representatives that could present at future meetings.

Staff initiated a discussion of updating the asset inventory of nuclear energy utilities, private industry, educational programs and degrees offered in Virginia. The Board generally agreed that the inventory would attempt to specify in more detail company's employment in Virginia. Additionally, the higher education board members would assist with identifying current programs and degrees offered both in their institutions and others in the Commonwealth. Dave Christian and Jennifer Boykin agreed to take the first pass at the private industry asset inventory.

Staff reviewed the member's terms of appointment with the Board, particularly those members whose current terms expire on June 30, 2015.

The Board confirmed future meeting dates for 2015 - May 20, August 20 and November 5.

Chairman Hoffman opened the meeting to public comment and the Board received comment from Erica Gray, who also provided a handout that staff agreed to distribute to all Board members.

The meeting adjourned at 11:44 AM.