Virginia Nuclear Energy Consortium Authority Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 23, 2014 | 2:00 p.m. VCU East Engineering Hall | Room E3229 | Richmond, VA

Proposed Minutes

The Virginia Nuclear Energy Consortium Authority (VNECA) Board meeting was called to order at 2:00PM on July 23, 2014 in Richmond.

Marshall Cohen, Chair of VNECA, opened the meeting.

The following members were present: Chair – Marshall Cohen; Members – Vice Chair Don Hoffman, Bob Bailey, Sama Bilbao y Leon, Jennifer Boykin, John Capps, David Christian, Al Christopher, Jerry Giles, Mary Alice Heyward, Barry Johnson, Maureen Matsen, Ganapati Myneni and Ron Sones. Colleen Deegan, Frank Gillespie, Alireza Haghighat and Mark Troutman were absent.

The Board approved the minutes from the June 9, 2014 Consortium Recruitment Committee meeting.

David Christian and Jerry Giles presented the Asset Inventory of nuclear related utility, business, higher education and research assets in Virginia. Chairman Cohen suggested that the Asset Inventory be condensed to a one page document highlighting Nuclear Energy in Virginia. Maureen Matsen agreed to draft the document and provide to group for input.

Don Hoffman, Chairman of the Consortium Recruitment Committee, updated the Board on the Consortium Recruitment plan and surveyed members who were responsible for outreach to potential Founding Board Members. The Board agreed to complete Consortium recruitment by the September meeting.

Randy Marcus outlined several energy related initiatives being addressed by Governor McAuliffe including the Virginia Energy Plan update, the Governor's Climate Change and Resiliency Commission and the Commonwealth's response to the EPA's 111(d) proposed carbon rules.

Sama Bilbao y Leon presented a draft document to the Board for VNECA input to the Virginia Energy Council, the Governor's Advisory Group to the Virginia Energy Plan. Board members

were given a deadline to provide feedback to the draft input document before submission to the Virginia Energy Council.

The Board decided to table discussion of providing input to the Climate Change Commission and on EPA's proposed 111(d) rule for the September meeting.

Bob Bailey shared a potential opportunity for VNECA to serve as a technical advisory group for cyber security related to nuclear energy. The Board decided to have Mr. Bailey further vet the proposal for potential future opportunities with VNECA.

Ron Sones announced his resignation from VNECA due to moving out-of-state to pursue other professional opportunities.

Chairman Hoffman opened the meeting for public comment and the Board received comment from two members of the audience: Scott Burnam, from the Sierra Club, and Erica Gray.