

School of Energy Resources

# Energy Resources Council Draft Minutes

November 17, 2023 7:30 AM - 1:30 PM

# ATTENDANCE

# **Energy Resources Council (ERC)**

Chairman Cindy Crane, Senator Jim Anderson, Carl Bauer, Representative Don Burkhart, Dave Emery, Mark Doelger, Randall Luthi, President Seidel, Charlene Russell (online)

#### UW Board of Trustees (BOT)

Chairman John McKinley, Betsy Greenwood, Macey Moore, Jim Mathis, Sandra Caldwell, Megan Degenfelder, Dave True, Carol Linton, Kermit Brown, Michelle Sullivan, Brad Bonner

#### School of Energy Resources (SER) Staff & Members of the Public

Holly Krutka, Scott Quillinan, Jerry Evans, Kyle Summerfield, Angela Ver Ploeg, Trina Igelsrud Pfeiffer, Kristi Russow, Kami Danaei, Fred McLaughlin, Kara Fornstrom, Lon Whitman, Christine Reed, Esther Wagner, Tara Righetti, Teddi Freeman, Mike Smith, Eugene Holubnyak, Carrie Ver Burg, Dan Eakin, Autumn Eakin (online), Ken Burns (online), Frankie Vogt (online), Tiffany Bishop (online), Haibo Zhai (online), David Lucke (online), Resham Thapa (online), Charles Nye, Kaleb Peterson (online), James Amato (online), Maddie Lewis, Erin Phillips (online), Mark Behrens (online), Kim Lau (online), Kimmie Takaki (online), Ali Zanjanijam, Tyler Brown (online), Cole Swisher (online), Jake Dippel (online), Kam Ng (online)

# **ERC JOINT MEETING WITH BOT**

# Call to Order

BOT Chairman John McKinley called the meeting to order at 7:29 AM.

#### <u>Welcome</u>

Chairman McKinley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Chairman Cindy Crane welcomed the BOT to the meeting and provided a brief overview of the operations and programs at the School of Energy Resources.

#### **Reports/Discussion**

- SER Executive Director Holly Krutka provided a year-in-review report outlining activities and updates from the School of Energy Resources.
- Particular acknowledgement was given to the 3D Visualization Center for the excellent work being conducted, and how the program has grown beyond the CAVE to engage in innovative outreach and education through virtual reality tools.

### Closing Remarks

Chairman McKinley and Chairman Crane adjourned the joint session at 8:43 AM.

# **ERC REGULAR MEETING: ITEMS BY DETAIL**

# Call to Order

Chairman Crane called the Regular Session to order at 8:57 AM.

#### Approval of Agenda

Chairman Crane requested one change to the agenda to allow Representative Burkhart to provide a brief update before the Executive Director's report.

*Motion* - A motion to approve the modified agenda was made by Senator Anderson. Carl Bauer seconded the motion.

The motion passed without objection.

# Approval of August 2023 Minutes

Chairman Crane noted one edit to the minutes that was made prior to the hard copies being printed and that the printed version was correct.

*Motion* - Chairman Crane moved to approve the printed version of the minutes without any further edits.

Senator Anderson seconded the motion.

The motion passed without objection.

# Special Updates from Representative Burkhart

- Brought up how often SER was referred to in a positive way as a real asset to the State at the Governors Business Forum.
- Commented that the ERC Deep Dive presentations are extremely valuable in that they provide the Board with the ability to appreciate the scope of projects and moving them forward.

#### Reports/Motions

Full copies of the following SER reports are available in the November ERC Folio or upon request.

#### Executive Director - Holly Krutka

Executive Director Holly Krutka provided an overview of the budget requests for FY25-26.

#### **Questions for Non-Presenting Directors**

- Outreach Christine Reed Outreach is developing an interactive project map for the website. The Board recommended that it should include completed projects as well as current projects, but in a different color.
- Hydrogen Energy Research Center Eugene Holubnyak
- Enhanced Oil Recovery Institute Lon Whitman

# **Presenting Director Reports**

- Research Scott Quillinan
- Center for Carbon Capture and Conversion Trina Igelsrud Pfeiffer The Board suggested looking into testing Kemmerer Coal on the coal-to-asphalt project if at all possible.
- Center for Economic Geology Research Fred McLaughlin
- Center for Energy Regulation and Policy Analysis Kara Fornstrom The Board discussed how energy policy is being driven by public perception, rather than science and research, and suggested looking into ways in which SER can influence policy beyond the State. The Board suggested thinking about groups and organizations that could help influence policy outside of the energy sphere to target public perception.
- Academics Kami Danaei
- 3D Visualization Center Kyle Summerfield

SER Financial Report - Carrie Ver Burg and Holly Krutka

# New Business

SER team to provide proposed dates for 2024 Meetings and schedule with ERC Board Members.

# Executive Session

*Motion* - Dave Emery made a motion to move to an executive session. Carl Bauer seconded the motion. The motion passed without objection.

The executive session was called to order at 12:46 PM.

*Motion* - Representative Burkhart moved to adjourn the executive session and return to the regular session of the quarterly meeting. The motion was seconded by Dave Emery. The executive session was adjourned at 1:31 PM.

# <u>Adjournment</u>

*Motion* - Representative Burkhart moved to adjourn the quarterly meeting. The motion was seconded by Dave Emery. The meeting adjourned at 1:32 PM.

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# **NEXT MEETING DETAILS**

To be determined.

#### Tasks and Assignments

- Invite Anne Alexander to next ERC Dinner to present on economic projections.
- Work to ensure that the roles are formalized for interaction between EORI and SER on the Mowry.
- Provide more clarity on cost-share for ITC and potential for DOE audit.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:** 

James Anderson Vice Chairman

Cindy Crane Chairman