



Wisconsin Public Utility Institute

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

WPUI Board Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2023, 12:05 p.m.

Location: Michael Best, 1 S Pinckney St, Ste 700, Madison, WI 53703 and Online

Present at Michael Best:

Lori Sakk, WPUI; Sarah Justus, ATC; Robin Lisowski, Slipstream; Todd Stuart, WIEG; Kira Loehr, Perkins Coie; Mary Blanchard, University of Wisconsin-Madison, WEI; Lawrie Kobza, Boardman Clark; Tom Content, CUB; Frank Greb; Kristin Gilkes, Customers First; Michael Greiveldinger, Alliant Energy; Andy Koors, Deloitte; Matt Sweeney, PSCW; Samuel Runta, proxy for Rep. Lisa Subeck, WI State Assembly; Rep. David Steffen, WI State Assembly

Present via Webex/phone: Ben Callan, WDNR; Matthew Spencer, MGE; Jordan Hemaidan, MBF; Tyrel Zich, proxy for Karl Hoesly, Xcel Energy; Jennifer Shilling, Dairyland Power Cooperative; Paul Wilson, UW-Madison COE

Also present at Michael Best: Sara Langmack, WPUI; Dr. James Tinjum, UW-Madison; Nicole Walentowski-Domokos, WI State Assembly, Office of Rep. David Steffen

Excused: Paul Harris, Ranger Power; Jem Brown, WRWWLC; Chris LaRowe, WEC Energy Group

Open Session

Motion: Approval of November 21, 2022, board meeting minutes.

Moved by Kira Loehr. Seconded by Michael Greiveldinger. Unanimous in favor.

Guest Speaker Presentation

- UW-Madison professor Dr. James Tinjum: Opportunities and Challenges for Load Management using District-scale Geothermal Exchange Systems

Financial Update

- Final 2022 numbers were provided.
- Review of 2023 numbers to date.
- Update on status and history of fee waiver dollars, now depleted.

Executive Committee Update

- Reminder to watch for email about voting on new board member terms.

Membership Committee update

- Review of 2023 WPUI membership list, membership fees, and the increasing use of the ACH/wire transfer option, a complex process which takes more time and moves money more slowly than when fees are paid by check.
- Later in 2023, the committee will discuss the possibility of increasing membership fees for 2024.

Program Advisory Committee Update

- Review of the current status of WPUI programs and the feedback on completed 2023 programs.
- Discussion of an advanced RTO program is planned for the next committee meeting.

General Overview of WPUI Activities

- As part of our contact database maintenance process, please review the list of your organization's staff which you received via email.
- Please share any ideas for potential WPUI member organizations.
- NARUC endorsement of WPUI's RTO and EUB programs has been secured. If the RTO program is expanded, separate endorsement will be applied for.

New Business

- Watch for a and respond to the emailed doodle poll for selecting the July 2023 board meeting date.

Executive Session

- None needed.

Next WPUI Board Meeting: August 1, 2023