

**Minutes of the UW Energy Resource Council
August 28, 2009**

Members present:

Representative Tom Lockhart (Council Vice Chairman)
Senator Charles Townsend
Keith Rattie – Chairman, President, & CEO, Questar Corporation
Tom Stroock - CEO, Alpha Development Corp; former US Ambassador
Paul Lang – President Western Operations, Arch Coal Inc.
Maha Mahasenan – Senior Policy Advisor, Rio Tinto Energy America
Rob Wallace – Manager, Government Relations, G.E. Energy
Jim Kleckner – VP of Operations, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation
Ingrid Burke - Ex officio, Director, RIENR
Tom Buchanan - Ex officio, UW President

Members absent:

Ron Harper – CEO & General Manager, Basin Electric Power Coop, (Council Chairman)

Meeting Attendees:

Mark Northam
Rob Hurless
KJ Reddy
Cath Harris
Pam Henderson
Sarah Schulmeyer
Bill Gern
Carol Frost
Dorothy Yates
Chris Spooner
Mary Byrnes
Don Richards

Introduction of James Kleckner

Vice Chairman Tom Lockhart introduced new Council member, Jim Kleckner, VP of Operations with Anadarko Petroleum Corporation.

Welcome and Approval of the Agenda and Minutes

Vice Chairman Tom Lockhart called the meeting to order at approximately 8:35 am. Paul Lang motioned and Chuck Townsend seconded that the May 29 minutes and the August 28, 2009 agenda be accepted. The motion was passed unanimously. (Minutes Appendix A) (Agenda – Appendix B)

FY2010 and 2011-2012 Budget/AML Funding

Northam gave an overview of the upcoming budget. Several questions were raised:

- President Buchanan distributed copies of the approved budget of energy related programs for the 2011-2012 UW budget.
- Tom Stroock asked for an update on EORI. Northam explained they were doing an excellent job. They have a full slate of projects, and had the highest attendance at their spring conference.

- Tom Lockhart questioned if visiting professorships were a useful way of spending SER funds. President Buchanan stated that this is an excellent tool to interview professors for more permanent positions.
- Keith Rattie asked about how the reestablishment of Chemical/Petroleum Engineering program was progressing, due to the great need of this in industry, and the difficulty of explaining to people how SER fits in. Northam explained that the Heavy Oil Research Center which is underway would be a better fit in how SER is involved with the needs of industry and the Chemical/Petroleum Engineering issues.
 - Mary Byrnes gave a brief update on Outreach and agreed to consider whether the idea of a proposed symposium educating people on concerns and issues of the hydraulic fracturing and drinking water regulatory act, and a symposium educating people on the issues with the sage grouse was appropriate.

2009 Annual Report to JMC

Northam gave an overview on the 2009 Annual Report, and requested that any edits from the ERC be submitted to SER by Tuesday, September 8.

Update on Conceptual Design of Energy Resource Center Building

Northam gave an update on the design of the building.

Future Meetings

- November 13, 2009 – The November 13 meeting has been changed to November 20 to accommodate a joint meeting time with the UW Board of Trustees.
- A 2010 Calendar was discussed, and will be determined.

Chuck Townsend made a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:45 a.m., and Keith Rattie seconded it. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:45.

Respectfully Submitted

Tom Lockhart, Vice Chairman