

Minutes of the
RENEWABLE ENERGY COUNCIL
Monday, October 14th, 2019
1:00 p.m. (CDT)
ND Department of Commerce, Icelandic Room – Bismarck, ND

CALL TO ORDER

Members Present: Michelle Kommer - (phone), David Douglas – (phone), Mark Nisbet - (phone), Gerald Bachmeier – (phone), Terry Goerger – (phone), Al Christianson, Rod Holth

Others Present:

Andrea Pfennig, ND Industrial Commission
Karlene Fine, ND Industrial Commission
Reice Haas, Governor’s Office

Jonathan Russo, ND Department of Commerce
Sherri Frieze, ND Department of Commerce

WELCOME AND OPENING COMMENTS

Commissioner Kommer, Chairwoman, called the Renewable Energy Council meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Christianson and seconded by Holth to approve the June 5th, 2019; June 17th, 2019; and the July 9th, 2019 meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF MODIFICATION REQUESTS

R-016-026 – “Renewable Energy Commodity Trading Education Program”; Submitted by NDSU

Request for modification of Scope of Work:

Request to eliminate “Deliver educational programs” and replace with “Delivery of educational materials to industry seminars and to existing NDSU courses in commodity and risk management.”

Request for Re Budget:

Request to transfer travel expense line item to salary line item.

R-035-044 – “Preparation of Graphene -Modified LiFePO4 Cathode for Li-Ion Battery; Submitted by UND

Request for modification of Scope of Work:

No change

Request for Re Budget:

Request to transfer operating cost line item to salary line item.

COMPLETION OF BALLOTS

R-016-026 – “Renewable Energy Commodity Trading Education Program”; Submitted by NDSU

Total Project Costs: \$1,000,000

Amount Awarded: \$500,000

Fund: 7 No: 0

Conflict of Interest: none

R-035-044 – “Preparation of Graphene -Modified LiFePO4 Cathode for Li-Ion Battery; Submitted by UND

Total Project Costs: \$696,239

Amount Awarded: \$238,366

Fund: 7 No: 0

Conflict of Interest: none

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CONSIDERATION OF MODIFICATIONS TO MISSIONS AND GOALS

**NORTH DAKOTA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION
RENEWABLE ENERGY COUNCIL**

Mission Statement

The mission of the Renewable Energy Council is to promote the growth of North Dakota’s renewable energy industries through research, development, marketing, and education.

Goals & Purposes

- Promote efficient, economic and environmentally sound development and use of North Dakota’s vast renewable energy resources, particularly in the areas of wind energy, biofuels (ethanol & biodiesel), biomass, advanced biofuels, and advanced energy technology.

Motion was made by Christianson and seconded by Holth to accept the addition of “advanced biofuels, and advanced energy technology” to the Goals and Purposes section of the Renewable Energy Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was unanimously adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Michelle Kommer

1/8/2020

Michelle Kommer
Chairwoman

Date

Sherri Frieze

01.08.20

Sherri Frieze
Recording Secretary

Date