

LEGISLATIVE ENERGY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
August 14, 2014

Members Present:

Senator John Marty, Co-chair
Representative Melissa Hortman, Co-chair
Senator Scott Dibble
Senator Julie Rosen
Senator David Senjem
Senator Dan Sparks
Representative Tom Hackbarth

Members Excused:

Senator David Brown
Senator Kari Dziedzic
Senator James Metzen
Senator David Osmek
Senator David Tomassoni
Representative David Dill
Representative Ron Erhardt
Representative Andrew Falk
Representative Pat Garofalo
Representative John Petersburg
Representative Jeanne Poppe
Representative Chris Swedzinski
Representative Jean Wagenius

Senator Marty called the meeting of the Legislative Energy Commission to order at 3:07pm on Wednesday, August 14, 2014, in room 10 of the State Office Building.

Presenting before the committee:

Executive Director Update

Legislative Energy Commission – Annie Levenson-Falk, Executive Director

A handout was given to Commission members:
“Executive Director Updates: August 14, 2014”

Utility Business Models

Ronald Lehr, Attorney

A Handout was given to Commission members:
“America’s Power Plan – Utility and Regulatory Models for the Modern Era: Legislative Applications”

Ecologic Institute – Max Grünig, Senior Fellow

A Handout was given to Commission members:
“Changing Utility Business Models in Germany”

Minnesota Cleantech Innovation

Cleantech Open – John Balbach, Midwest Partner Chair

SheerWind – Mark Borman, Chief Financial Officer

QuadROI – Zack Tamble, Chief Data Liberator

A handout was given to Commission members:
“Presentation to MN Legislative Energy Commission”

Utility Business Models

Minnesota Valley Electric Cooperative – Ryan Hentges, Vice President of Corporate Services

A handout was given to Commission members:
“The Evolving Utility Business Model: A Cooperative Approach”

Utility Regulatory Framework

Great Plains Institute – Rolf Nordstrom, President and CEO

A handout was given to Commission members:
“Overview of the e21 Initiative”

Citizens League – Sean Kershaw, Executive Director

Three handouts were given to Commission members:
“Citizens League Electrical Energy Project,” “Modernizing the utility regulator framework: What’s right for Minnesota,” and “Policy Framework to Optimize Efficiency of the Electrical Energy System”

The meeting adjourned at 11:37am.