

CHUGACH ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
Anchorage, Alaska

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 2008

Committee Members in Attendance: Jim Nordlund, Chair
Alex Gimarc
Janet Reiser
Rebecca Logan

Other Directors Present: Elizabeth Vazquez
Jeff Lipscomb
PJ Hill (*joined via teleconference @ 6:09 p.m.*)

Guest and Staff in Attendance:

Bradley Evans	Ed Jenkin	Dave Smith
Tyler Andrews	Julie Jessen	Phil Steyer
Lorali Carter, MEA	Connie Owens	Lee Thibert
Mike Cunningham	Paul Risse	Ron Vecera
Carol Heyman	Sean Skaling, Green Star	

Recording Secretary: DeAnna Scott, Executive Assistant

I. CONVENE MEETING

Chair Nordlund convened the Operations Committee meeting at 6:01 p.m. in the boardroom of Chugach Electric Association, Inc., 5601 Electron Drive, Anchorage, Alaska.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Logan moved and Director Reiser seconded the motion to approve the Agenda. Director Logan requested that agenda item X. Proposed Bylaw Changes (nine member board), and XI. Proposed Changes to Election Procedures be removed from the Agenda. The motion to approve the Agenda passed unanimously, as amended.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. August 8, 2008

Director Gimarc moved and Director Logan seconded the motion to approve the Operations Committee Meeting minutes of August 8, 2008. The motion passed unanimously.

V. CUSTOMER COMMENTS

- a. *Wholesale Customer Comments*
None.
- b. *Retail Customer Comments*
None.

VI. Review NRECA 2008 Overview of Issues Considered and Action Items

Chairman Nordlund reviewed with the Committee the ten Resolutions that will be considered at the NRECA meeting in Anaheim, CA. The meeting will be attended by Chairman Nordlund, Voting Delegate; Director Lipscomb, Alternate; Directors Reiser, and Vazquez. No objections were heard.

Director Hill joined the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

Director Vazquez left the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

VII. Energy Conservation Report and Renewable Energy

Director Reiser thanked the Renewable Energy Committee, Dave Smith and Carol Heyman. She stated in working with them, they've been doing all the work. "They've done a great job. I think you are going to like what you are going to hear today; they've adopted a very aggressive program so that we are all thinking about conservation. I want to thank them for the work they have done and look forward to continuing to work with them."

Dave Smith, Sr. V.P., Administration provided a presentation on the Energy Conservation Report and Renewable Energy and answered questions from the Committee.

Director Logan moved and Director Reiser seconded the motion that the Operations Committee recommend that the Board of Directors adopt Board Policy 132 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Program. This policy establishes an energy efficiency and conservation program for members and provides for the plans to be overseen by the Chugach Renewable Energy Committee. The motion passed with Chairman Nordlund, Directors Logan, and Reiser voting yes; Director Gimarc voting no.

VIII. Board Policy 108 – Meeting Fees and Expenses

Director Reiser moved and Director Logan seconded the motion that the Operations Committee recommend that the Board of Directors approve the revisions to Board Policy 108 for discussion.

Director Lipscomb discussed the recommended changes to this policy and after much discussion, Director Logan moved and Director Gimarc seconded the motion to postpone action on this item until the next Operations Committee meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

IX. Board Policy (New) – Authority of the Association – Appointed Representative to Jointly Operated Assets

For discussion purposes, Director Reiser moved and Chairman Nordlund seconded the motion that the Operations Committee recommend the Board of Directors approve the attached policy on the Authority of the Association-Appointed Representative Regarding Jointly Operated Assets.

Director Logan left the meeting at 7:16 p.m. and returned at 7:21 p.m.

Director Lipscomb reviewed and discussed the newly proposed Board Policy with the Operations Committee. After discussion, Director Logan moved and Director Gimarc seconded the motion to postpone action on this motion until the next Operations Committee meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

X. Proposed Bylaw Changes (nine member board)

Removed from the Agenda

XI. Proposed Changed to Election Procedures

a. Ad Watch

b. Candidate Forum

Removed from the Agenda

XII. Correspondence

None.

XIII. Director Comments

Director Vazquez was not present at this time and she is not a member of the Operations Committee.

Director Lipscomb: “Yes, I’d like to thank staff and Brad for continuing to do a good job of keeping the lights on. There’s a lot going on, things coming up with the RCA, the emergency order there; that’s what you need contingency for, creates a lot of staff time and extra effort; consider that in the budget preparation. I am concerned that we don’t have quite enough people to get everything done that we need to. Thank you, the lights are on and you’re doing a good job.

Director Reiser: “I would also like to thank the volunteers from different committees such as the Renewable Energy Committee that I visited but there are a lot of other interests that our members have and it should be well noted that they work very hard and have their heart and soul into helping out the whole membership.”

Director Logan: No comment.

Director Gimarc: No comment.

Director Hill: No comment.

Chairman Nordlund: No comment.

XIV. Executive Session

At 7:35 p.m., Director Logan moved and Director Gimarc seconded the motion that pursuant to Alaska Statute 10.25.175(c)(1) the Operations Committee go into executive session 1) to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect on the finances of the cooperative. The matters to be discussed are (1) Replacement Generation and (2) Utility Restructuring. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Vazquez returned to the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

The Committee reconvened in open session at 8:54 p.m.

XV. Adjourn

Director Logan moved and Director Reiser seconded the motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.