

February 25, 2008

Executive Meeting Conference Call

Participants: Linda Eidem, Northwestern Energy (Director); Cory Fuehrer, NPPD (Secretary/Treasurer) Mike Kelly, HHSS (Vice Chair); Judi Martin, OPPD (Chair); Sheila Nelson, Aquila (Records Keeper)

Jan Davis, Aquila (Director) on vacation

Next NEAN Meeting: Thursday, March 13, 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

- Host – NorthWestern Energy
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Lunch will be provided by NorthWestern Energy

Pre or Post NEAN Sub-Committee Meetings

- Energy Symposium Sub-Committee will meet prior to the NEAN meeting at 9 a.m.
 - To be attended by Jerry Deichert
 - Energy Assistance Committee also is invited to attend since this is an EAC initiative
- Energy Education Committee: Sheila will check with Rick Cheloha
- Name Change Committee: Sheila will check with Rick Cheloha
- Membership Committee: Linda will check and get back to Sheila

Agenda Items for Next NEAN Meeting (11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.)

- Energy Burden Study – Jerry Deichert
- Committee reports
- Membership Committee recruitment
- Calc-U-Pal – A new on-line energy cost calculator tool homeowners can use to obtain information that helps them determine what changes or additions to their homes will increase or decrease their energy usage
- April meeting discussion

Membership

- Linda Eidem needs 2 or 3 more people for the Membership Committee

Energy Education Committee

- In light of delayed filming schedule of DVD, the Energy Education Committee will be unable to meet previous March deadline
- Plan to start at beginning of school year
- Curriculum Committee will continue to finalize other modules so complete project would be done

Non-Profit 501(c)3 Filing

- Cory will check with Steve Virgil as to what steps need to be taken to file for 501(c)3 status
 - What is the legal process?

Strategic Planning

- Judi is modifying Strategic Plan format as a tool for Executive Committee to use in tracking and measuring results.

Upcoming NEAN Officer Elections

- Need to plan for annual meeting and form a nominating committee
- Judi, Mike, Cory and Linda were all willing to repeat office, unless others NEAN members would like the opportunity
- Jan Davis – unknown – as she was on vacation and not available for comment

April 10th Annual Meeting in North Platte

- NPPD Retreat – reserved by Cory Fuehrer
- Location is 3 miles south of West North Platte I-80 interchange
- Provide early notification to Committee regarding meeting location
- Part meeting / Part celebration for successes of 2007 / Part relationship building
- Possible 2-day event?
- Sheila and Cory will talk and submit a flexible plan for the April meeting event(s)
- Ask members at March meeting what they would like to do and who would be likely to attend
- May be opportunity for increased enrollment from western Nebraska