



Nebraska Energy ASSISTANCE NETWORK

NEAN Meeting Notice

Thursday January 10, 2008
11 AM – 2:30 PM
SourceGas
610 Central Ave.
Kearney, NE
Office: 308-865-6344

RSVP: Lunch is provided. Please **RSVP by NOON on Tuesday, January 8; call (402) 221-2159** (Sheila Nelson) or e-mail sheila.nelson@aquila.com. (Meeting minutes from the December 14 NEAN meeting are posted on the NEAN website.) The meeting will begin promptly at 11 a.m. and conclude by 2:30 p.m.

MAJOR AGENDA ITEMS INCLUDE:

- Committee Reports
- By Laws

CONFERENCE CALL INFORMATION: Dial-in #: **866-773-3018**;
Access Code: **9952106**.

NOTE: There will be NO committee meetings before or after the NEAN meeting.

Directions: I-80 Kearney exit (272). North on 2nd Ave. to 8th St. (stop light at McDonald's). Turn right (going east); go to stop sign at Central Ave., turn back south. SourceGas is the third business on your right (just south of NAPA).

Parking: Available on site.

Judi Martin, NEAN Chair
Omaha Public Power District
444 S. 16 St.
Omaha, NE 68102
(402)636-3654

Interested parties are invited to join us and learn how we can work together to meet the mission of the Nebraska Energy Assistance Network: To assist Nebraskans meet energy needs through education, collaboration and advocacy.

**NEAN Meeting Notes – Kearney
January 10, 2008**

Attendance:

Cory Fuehrer	Nebraska Public Power District
Judi Martin	Omaha Public Power District
Sheila Nelson	Aquila
Rick Hemphill	Elkhorn, Stanton County, and Cedar-Knox PPD
Steve Walker	Nebraska Public Power District
Cheryl Holcomb	Central Nebraska Community Services
Gwen Kautz	Dawson Public Power District
Ronda Jaeschke	SourceGas
Char Reiman	SourceGas
Marge Buescher	Catholic Social Services

Upcoming NEAN Committee Meetings:

Thursday, February 14, 2008 – 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Loup Power District
2404 15 St
Columbus

Thursday, March 13, 2008 – 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Chances “R” Restaurant
124 West 5 St
York

Thursday, April 10, 2008 – 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

NPPD – Lake Maloney cabin
Northeast side of lake (watch for signs)
North Platte

Thursday, May 8, 2008 – 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Omaha Public Power District
444 S. 16 St
Omaha

Thursday, June 12, 2008 – 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

NorthWestern Energy
TBD

- I.** Meeting called to order by Judi Martin
- II.** Minutes accepted from the December 13, 2007 meeting
- III.** Executive Committee Report
 - A. President’s Report
 - i. Judi encouraged all to review the 2008 Strategic Plan if they have not yet done so.

- ii. Mari Matulka has requested to only be included on matters related to the website and to remove her from correspondence of other matters.

B. Treasurer's Report

- i. No activity during the month of December
- ii. Balance as of December 31, 2007 = \$3,507.40
- iii. Cory will forward SourceGas's payee information request to the Red Cross so that payments for NEAN can be made

Lunch - Thank you to SourceGas for hosting & providing lunch!

IV. Committee Reports

A. Energy Education Committee

- i. Working on Head Start program "Get a Headstart on Energy Education"
 - a. All of the binder covers are in.
 - b. Facilitator's Guide is currently being printed
 - c. Modules One, Two and Three being reviewed and due by end of January.
 - d. Waiting for scripts to cover Modules Two and Three.
 - e. Modules Four through Seven to be completed by the end of February.
 - f. Currently finalizing Pre-Survey and Module surveys.
 - g. Mike Claborn of NPPD will coordinate with Jerry Deichert at UNO to develop the survey information collection tool.
 - h. Currently, activities for Modules Three and Four are being developed.
 - i. Rick Cheloha and Cory Fuehrer prepared a summary for NPPD's Board of Directors that gives an overview and status of this project, since they funded 1,000 kits – Cory will forward this to members.
 - j. Judi Martin will present an update to OPPD's board on January 23.
 - k. Materials for the campaign will be assembled at OPPD's offices on January 23.
 - l. Steve Walker will be providing facilitator's training to Headstart in Gering on January 18, in Cozad on January 25 and in Chadron on January 31.
 - m. Additional funding (approximately \$500) is required for completing Modules Four, Five, Six and Seven. SourceGas agreed to pay this additional amount

B. Energy Assistance

- i. Data Collection Project
 - a. Judi Martin will send the Data Collection Agreement for execution as soon as possible. Utilities are requested to execute the document even though they may not begin reporting the requested information for awhile.
 - b. Motion was made and approved to grant Judi Martin authority to execute the agreement on behalf of NEAN.
 - c. Members are to respond to Judi Martin as to who within their organization will be executing the agreement.
- ii. Energy Burden Survey
 - a. Most of information has been developed from census data.
 - b. Deemed still relevant, since data collection just took place in late 2006/early 2007.
 - c. A symposium covering the information is planned for this year's third quarter.
- iii. Heartland "Walk for Warmth"
 - a. Currently, donations are around \$40K not counting walker donations and in-kind donations have exceeded \$50K.

