

MINUTES

August 02, 2006

H-GAC, Conference Room C
3555 Timmons Lane, 2nd Floor
Houston, TX 77027

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Bartosh, C. Patrick (Harris County); Fiesinger, Ed (Brazoria County); Kilpatrick, Steve (Brazoria County-Phone); Kuryla, Matt (Harris County- Phone); and Sun, Steve (TCEQ- Phone)

PROXY VOTES

Proxies given to the Chair (Ed Fiesinger) prior to the meeting were Hebert, John J. (Liberty County); Kuryla, Matt (Harris County); Kush, John (Harris County); Naquin, Mary Jane (Harris County); Porter, Alton (Harris County); and Rash, Jeanette (Harris County)

NON-BOARD MEMBERS AND H-GAC STAFF PRESENT

DeCandis, Andrew (H-GAC); Prince, Dan (Phone); Lee, Stephanie (H-GAC); Salinas, Jason (H-GAC); and Whitworth, Shelley (H-GAC)

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Ed Fiesinger officially began the AERCO board meeting with naming attendees and proxy votes. Mr. Fiesinger welcomed all attendees. Each attendee introduced them selves.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF MAY 03, 2006 MINUTES

AERCO board meeting minutes for May 03, 2006 was motioned, seconded, and approved.

DISCUSSION ITEM

RE-CERTIFACATION AND PUBLIC PROCESS – Shelley Whitworth

The recertification process will recertify for twelve years.

DOE GRANT APPLICATION – Stephanie Lee

NCTCOG, ACOG, Clean Air Force, and H-GAC are applied as a collaborative effort to promote statewide interaction. We are currently awaiting response by the end of August 2006. There are nineteen other applicants. One hundred fifty thousand dollars will be used for promotional items.

CLEAN VEHICLES UPDATE – Jason Salinas

The Clean Vehicles Program completed contract for Galena Park Independent School District. The contract will include engine replacement. One hundred and twenty thousand along with fifty thousand match funds was approved by AERCO. The Clean Vehicles details will be posted on the website.

SEP FUNDS – STATE – Shelley Whitworth and Stephanie Lee

(Please refer to handout.) The presentation started with promises of SEP funds. Total petrochemicals were called to report funding. Ms. Betin Santos will be working with the school districts to generate applications for SEP funds. The presentation continued with John Hebert asking if the SEP funds have to be used in the same area of the organization. Additions were noted to as incorrect as final total.

SEP FUNDS – FEDERAL – Matt Kuryla and Dan Prince

Mr. Dan Price began his presentation by discussing obtaining federal SEP funds. House Bill 313 assessment was explained in great details. A call was placed to Mr. Barry Feldman to inquire. The process must be chosen by a company and written into the decrees. The project must meet SEP outlines. Mr. Price informs the committee there is a SEP library for referring. AERCO must write plans then post

it to the EPA website for companies to review. AERCO will not be able to receive funds for the School Bus Program. Funds will not be rewarded to programs such as AERCO that compete with EPA's Programs. Brief discussions concluded the presentation.

ACTION ITEM

NOTIFICATION TO EPA-CLEAN SCHOOL BUS USA

APPROVAL OF NOTIFICATION LETTER TO EPS FOR FORMAL ADOPTION OF THE CLEAN SCHOOL BUS USA PROGRAM.

Ms. Stephanie Lee read the notification letter to EPA for formal adoption of the Clean School Bus USA Program. The letter was approved and motioned. The letter was signed by Mr. Ed Fiesinger. Letter will be sent.

OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM FOR DISCUSSION AT NEXT MEETING

- DOE Grant
- Clean Vehicles Update
- Federal SEP Funds
- State Funds Update
- VOC Credits (Status Report)
- Steve Sun (Report)

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 01, 2006.

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