

CHUGACH ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
Anchorage, Alaska

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2009

Committee Members in Attendance: Janet Reiser, Chair
Alex Gimarc
Jim Nordlund (*attended telephonically*)
Rebecca Logan
Elizabeth Vazquez

Other Directors in Attendance: PJ Hill
Pat Kennedy (*attended telephonically*)

Guests in Attendance: Louann Cutler, K&L Gates
Jim Posey, ML&P
Jim Walker, MEA

Staff in Attendance:

Brad Evans	Ed Jenkin	Tom Schulman
Tyler Andrews	Mark Johnson	Dave Smith
Bill Bernier	Sherri McKay-Highers	Phil Steyer
Mike Cunningham	Arthur Miller	Lee Thibert
Kathy Harris	Connie Owens	Ron Vecera
Dustin Highers	Paul Risse	Jody Wolfe

Recording Secretary: DeAnna Scott, Executive Assistant

I. Convene Meeting

Chair Reiser convened the Operations Committee meeting at 4:37 p.m. in the boardroom of Chugach Electric Association, Inc., 5601 Electron Drive, Anchorage, Alaska.

a. Safety Minute

Dave Smith, Sr. Vice President, Administration, discussed "*How To Properly Jump Start Your Vehicle*" and showed a video clip. Mr. Smith distributed jumper cables to the Committee members.

II. Executive Session

None.

III. Approval of Agenda

Director Logan requested Agenda Item XIV to be removed from the Agenda. Director Logan moved and Director Gimarc seconded the motion to approve the Agenda. The motion to approve the agenda, as amended, passed unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes

a. November 11, 2009

Director Logan moved and Director Gimarc seconded the motion to approve the Operations Committee Meeting minutes of November 11, 2009. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Customer Comments

a. Wholesale Customer Comments
None.

b. Member Comments
None.

VI. Board Policy 119 - Contributions

Director Logan moved and Director Gimarc seconded the motion that the Operations Committee recommend the Board of Directors to approve the revisions to Board Policy 119 – Contributions, as shown in the attached draft policy.

After discussion, Director Logan and Director Gimarc accepted a friendly amendment to include a member cap and a monthly cap to Board Policy 119 – Contributions. The amounts will be determined at the Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously, as amended.

VII. 2010 Smart Power Verbal Update

Dave Smith, Sr. V.P., Administration gave an update on the 2010 Smart Power and answered questions from the Committee.

VIII. Update on Southcentral Power Project

Dustin Highers, Director, Power Supply Technical Services presented an update on the Southcentral Power Project and answered questions from the Committee.

Director Nordlund disconnected telephonically at 5:37 p.m. and rejoined the meeting telephonically at 5:40 p.m.

IX. Appointments to 2010 Bylaws Committee

Director Logan moved and Director Gimarc seconded the motion that the Operations Committee recommend the Board of Directors to appoint Karl LeRay to a “C” term on the Bylaws Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

X. Appointments to 2010 Election Committee

Director Gimarc moved and Director Logan seconded the motion that the Operations Committee recommend the Board of Directors appoint W.D. (Doug) Golver, Jim Henderson and Jo-Li Sellin to the “C” terms on the Election Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

XI. Appointment to 2010 Nominating Committee

As there were no applications for this committee, there is not a motion before the Operations Committee.

XII. Correspondence

None.

XIII. Executive Session

At 5:50 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 to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect on the finances of the cooperative as it relates to the Association’s 2010 Legislative Agenda; Fuel Supply and Gas Storage Issues; ORMAT project development; the Human Resources Division Strategic Plan; and, Railbelt IRP matters.

The matters to be discussed include:

- a. *2010 Legislative Agenda*
- b. *Fuel Supply Matters including a draft Contract with TransCanada*
- c. *Update on ORMAT Project Development*
- d. *Human Resources Strategic Plan*
- e. *A discussion on Railbelt IRP issues.*

The motion passed unanimously.

The Committee took at recess at 5:51 p.m. and went into Executive Session at 6:00 p.m.

Director Nordlund and Director Kennedy disconnected telephonically sometime during the Executive Session. (Actual time was not noted – Recording Secretary not present during Executive Session.)

The Operations Committee reconvened in open session at 7:48 p.m.

XIV. Gas Storage Contract with TransCanada

This item was removed from the Agenda.

XV. Director Comments

Director Logan: “It is fun to be on this Board. We’ve got a lot of stuff going on.”

Director Hill: “Never a dull moment.”

Director Vazquez: “And the reason why we have a lot going on is because we laid the foundation starting in '07 and it took a process, you know, to get to, you’ve had to buy the food, you got to have the menu before you start cooking it, you know, so it’s been, you know, a two to three years process.”

Director Gimarc: “I have a couple of comments Madam Chair. Three weeks ago somebody leaked the contents of a freedom of information act request for climate change information onto the internet. It contained emails, computer codes, various documents from the Con Research Unit at East Anglia University in England. This is the lead institution in the United Nation’s IPCC man made global warming push. What we find in the emails is the entire process has been corrupted. Global warming is a fraud; as it is a manmade global warming due to carbon dioxide emissions. The emails document some of the following: directions to delete email and data so that it cannot be released to outside entities. This is to cover up. Concern about hiding the overall cooling trend since 1999 ... *unintelligible*..., corruption of the peer review process, complete corruption peer review process. The computer code release contains instruction on the use of fudge factors to manipulate data so perhaps it can look the way people want it to look. Also implicated are NASA, GODDARD, NOAA, New Zealand, Australia and several universities here in the United States. In short, the entire scientific establishment working for the UN IPCC. There are about 170 megabytes of data leaked so far. There’s far more out there waiting discovery/RICO prosecutions, other words, stuffs gonna start hitting the fan. Regardless of what Congress or the EPA should attempt to do to halt manmade global warming due to carbon dioxide emissions, it will not stand, for it does not exist. Meanwhile, 2009 looks like it will be with the top 5 years over the last century for days without observed sunspots. Warming is not our problem folks, cooling is.”

Chair Reiser: “My only comment is, I certainly want to, I have been working with Dustin and Paul Risse and they’ve done, they’ve worked really a lot of long and hard hours and really done a good job with the RFQ and the RFP process and I really appreciate their efforts on that.”

XVI. Adjourn

Director Logan moved and Director Gimarc seconded the motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.