

MINUTES
MID-AMERICA REGULATORY CONFERENCE
BUSINESS MEETING
JULY 13, 2004
Salt Lake City, UT

The following MARC Commissioners were in attendance at the meeting:

Sandra Hochstetter	Arkansas	Denise Bode	Oklahoma
David Hadley	Indiana	Ken Nickolai	Minnesota
Judith Ripley	Indiana	Phyllis Reha	Minnesota
David Ziegner	Indiana	Robert Clayton III	Missouri
Mark Lambert	Iowa	Jeff Davis	Missouri
Diana Munns	Iowa	Steve Gaw	Missouri
Elliott Smith	Iowa	Lowell Johnson	Nebraska
Brian Moline	Kansas	Susan Wefald	North Dakota
Bob Nelson	Michigan	Judy Jones	Ohio
LeRoy Koppendray	Minnesota	Bob Sahr	South Dakota

MARC President Sandra Hochstetter called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

Secretary's Report

MARC Secretary, Commissioner Phyllis Reha, distributed the minutes of the June 15, 2004 meeting. A correction to the Treasurer's Report was made and the words "employee vacations" was replaced with the words "sick leave". With that change Commissioner Ken Nickolai moved to accept minutes and Commissioner Denise Bode seconded. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Commissioner Judy Jones reported that checks would be back within a month. She urged Commissioners to submit reimbursement claims right away.

She noted that investments have slipped. She recommended a conference call with San Antonio committee to review investments. The books will be closed by the end of July. The audit will be completed by the end of July. It will be sent to Phyllis to handle after that. Commissioner Ken Nickolai moved to accept minutes and Commissioner Bob Sahr seconded. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

Old Business

Commissioner Nickolai moved the new Officer's Slate and Commissioner LeRoy Koppendrayar seconded it. The Officer's Slate was approved.

President Sandra Hochstetter read a letter from former MARC President Commissioner Ave M. Bie. She reported on revenue from the MARC meeting and expressed her gratitude for friendship of MARC Commissioners.

A discussion of the gift policy was held. President Hochstetter suggested that MARC look at all our financial policies at the San Antonio meeting. Commissioner Wefald recommended that the Executive Committee look at these policies and make recommendations at the San Antonio meeting.

New Business

President Hochstetter reported on the new hotel contracted with for San Antonio. The date for that meeting will be January 6 through the 8th.

Commissioner Judy Jones reported on coordinating the MARC and NRRI retreat so that they would be held consecutively in San Antonio beginning Thursday, January 12 through the 14th for MARC and continuing January 15 through January 17th for the NRRI retreat. No objections were raised to moving forward cooperatively with NRRI on the planning.

President Hochstetter reported on the MARC 2005 meeting in Little Rock. She asked we bill MARC2005.org to help plan the conference. She asked we fill out survey on the MARC meeting. June 18 to 22nd is the date of the conference.

A new member Jeff Davis from Missouri was introduced.

Report from Commissioner Bob Nelson on telecommunications.

Discussion was held on submitting information from TRR. Commissioner Elliot Smith reported that VOIP was top of FCC.

A discussion was held on intercarrier compensation.

Judith Ripley provided a report on vegetation management and FERC.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30am.

Respectively submitted,
Denise A. Bode, Secretary