



# MARC

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**MARC Business Meeting  
at NARUC Summer Meeting  
Tuesday, July 21, 2009  
Seattle, Washington**

The following MARC Commissioners were in attendance at the July 21 meeting:

Colette Honorable	Arkansas	David Boyd	Minnesota
Charles Box	Illinois	Dennis O'Brien	Minnesota
Erin O'Connell-Diaz	Illinois	Phyllis Reha	Minnesota
Jim Atterholt	Indiana	Betsy Wergin	Minnesota
Jeff Golc	Indiana	Jeff Davis	Missouri
Larry Landis	Indiana	Kevin Gunn	Missouri
David Zeigner	Indiana	Terry Jarrett	Missouri
Rob Berntsen	Iowa	Bob Anthony	Oklahoma
Krista Tanner	Iowa	Tony Clark	North Dakota
Michael Moffet	Kansas	Steve Kolbeck	South Dakota
Monica Martinez	Michigan	Eric Callisto	Wisconsin

**Pre-Meeting Briefing:**

Scott Hempling of NRRI provided a status of the work of NRRI and how it can assist Commissions in the MARC region.

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by President Davis at 7:30 a.m.

**Welcome New Commissioners and Introductions:**

Introductions of commissioners present were made.

**Minutes and Secretary's Report:**

The minutes of the June 16, 2009 business meeting in Traverse City, Michigan were circulated for review. The minutes were accepted by acclamation.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Commissioner Kolbeck distributed the treasurer's report, which was also accepted. Commissioner Kolbeck also discussed the transition of officers and duties as we began a new administration. President Davis advised that stipends were available for Commissioners only.

President Davis also indicated, as a follow-up to Scott Hempling's report, that Commissioner Lauren Azar of Wisconsin is leading the effort to complete an application for DOE funding for the NARUC Eastern Interconnect Project. She was also thanked for her work on cost allocation and resource planning issues for the MISO states.



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## **Old Business:**

Immediate Past President Monica Martinez reported on the MARC Annual Meeting in Traverse City, Michigan. There were over 300 attendees, and good participation throughout the conference. She reported that \$15,000 in seed dollars will be returned to the treasury, and the annual conference earned approximately \$20,000 in revenue. Commissioner Martinez was thanked by the Commissioners for a successful conference.

## **Commissioner-Only Retreat in San Antonio, Texas:**

President Davis announced that the Commissioner-only retreat would take place from January 14 – January 16, 2010, in San Antonio, Texas, at the Hotel Contessa.

## **MARC 2010 Annual Meeting:**

President Davis announced that the MARC 2010 Annual Meeting would take place June 6-9, 2010, at the Westin Crowne Center in Kansas City, Missouri. The room rate will be \$111 per night.

## **New Business:**

Commissioner Landis discussed the Federal/State Joint Conference on Advanced Services, which was created in 1999 to promote advanced telecommunication services (broadband). It was reactivated by Commissioner Martin, with significant state encouragement. With funding from NARUC, NRR1 developed a website, [www.broadbandbestpractices.org](http://www.broadbandbestpractices.org). Commissioner Landis asked the states to advise him of any broadband entities throughout the MARC region. They are specifically looking for organizations that conduct GIS mapping.

## **President's Call for Next Meeting:**

The next MARC meeting will be held at the NARUC Annual Meeting in Chicago.

## **Motion to Adjourn:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 a.m.