

Broome County Energy Advisory Board Minutes  
Tuesday, January 15, 2008

The Broome County Energy Advisory Board met on Tuesday, March 11, 2008 in the Legislative Conference Room, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building, Binghamton, New York.

Members present: C. Burger (Chair), J. Garnar, D. Mastro, J Smigelshi, A. Hertel, K. Kamlet, L. Platt, D. Heslin, K Bevelacqua, L. Stein, R. Mancini, M. Pandich, L Roma, D. Cumming, A. LoDolce, S. Ramsey, J. Simonds

The Board meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting began with the Board approval of the previous meeting's minutes.

A motion was passed to endorse Broome Community College's "sustainable campus" proposal; including symposiums, forums, panels, ect.

Report for Transportation Committee:

No official business reported. Downsized and hybrid buses were discussed. An investigation of fleet vehicles suitability for their respective tasks was agreed upon. ODYNE battery coolers were also discussed.

Report for Facilities Committee:

On February 20<sup>th</sup>, the committee obtained the proper information needed to make proposals and recommendations with respect to the county buildings (not including BCC.) The data needs to be processed in order to determine financial alternatives and initiatives at the state and federal levels.

A possible diagnostic evaluation between the Board and BCC was also discussed as well as a state-wide diagnostic evaluation using SUNY campuses as a potential model. It was agreed that a state controlled comprehensive audit would be useful information for the Board.

Report for Energy Sources and Land Use Committee:

They read the Oneida Herkimer municipal waste authority and determined that it is not cost-effective. Topics of discussion included, data collection processes, gasification, incineration, feedstock assets, carbon sequencing stations, byproduct sludge hardened into road material.

A resolution was passed by the Public Works committee for CO2 credit w/r/t the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative. It was determined that methane is worth more than 20 times the CO2 credit. Interfacing between energy and waste is paramount.

A resolution was passed by the Board for 4% tax exemption on Solar Power products in April.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.