Present: Eckel, Ashton, Butz, Wachsman, Connolly, Collins, Sorensen, Mitch-Peterson, Rawle, Magruder, Parrish, Cook, Daly

Absent: Woolf

Guest: Devon Dodson

Chairman Eckel called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM.

- Eckel reported on the ESCO activity and progress. He had a meeting with the 3 ESCO’s to review the USM/MCEC agreement. There are now drafts for each of the 3 university projects. It is time for MCEC to meet with the universities and their chosen ESCO’s to come up with a final agreement. The universities must go to the Board of Public Works for approval.

Collins made a motion to approve the November 16, 2011, Minutes, Connolly made a second and the motion passed unanimously.

- Cook reviewed the December 2011 financials. He noted MCEC will shortly be receiving $64K from the insurance company.
- Daly stated that Nexus has not followed through on their agreement to pay us when the house is sold.
- Each council member has been assigned to one of 6 industry sector collaborative groups and to one of 6 committees.

Magruder asked for a motion from the Board to award and execute the project (Consumer Outreach and Education program), not to exceed $30K pending the RFP responses. Wachsman made a motion to approve, Sorensen seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- Magruder stated that MCEC is not putting forth any legislation this session because there is no depth to do so.
- Magruder reported that MCEC is receiving responses to the RFP for Summit venue. The possible theme of Convergence between Energy and Technology was discussed and agreed on. Wachsman agreed to chair the Summit committee.
- Sorensen informed the Board that the committee (Innovation Network Committee) was named INC – Innovation Network Committee - and the charter address is Innovation and Economic Development. The mission and vision for INC is to broaden the clean energy sector, build out proof of concept capability, and enhance access to capital.
- Devon Dodson, Legislative Director at MEA, gave an update on the 2012 legislative agenda for the administration.