



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
September 24, 2015

Present: Kathy Magruder, Wyatt Shiflett, Ashley Doot, George Ashton, Josh Greene, Michele Peterson, David Rawle, Jessica Schiavone, John Spears, Leigh Williams

Excused: Anton Cohen, Eric Wachsman, Jeff Eckel

- The meeting was called to order at 3:20 PM by Chairman Ashton.
- Ms. Magruder announced the purpose of the call which was re: PSC filing to ask for financial support for the MHELP program. The program currently has enough ARRA money to last about 2 more months. In a previous PSC decision, the law judge ruled MHELP should be supported. In previous board meetings, Board members had requested staff prepare a filing asking for MHELP to be funded with EMPower resources. That filing is due today at 5 PM. A draft was circulated to the Board and utility partners as well as other parties to the case to solicit feedback. The utilities had asked a number of questions and those questions have been answered with help from David Rawle
- Ms. Magruder then counseled the Board that it wouldn't be in MCEC's best interest to file the request. If MCEC receives EMPower money for MHELP, that money wouldn't be able to fund/sustain MCEC the entity. So, it would be disadvantageous to fund a program but with no support for the actual group that runs the program. Ms. Magruder then opened the floor to the Board for any questions.
- Ms. Magruder asked the Board for approval to file or not file request.
- Ms. Williams noted that an email from Kimberly Curry raises issues with budget allocations. Ms. Magruder responded that the draft filing that Ms. Curry referred to had been amended with her assistance. Mr. Greene asked if the NRDC is planning to move forward with our filing. Ms. Magruder responded that the NRDC's role in this was to draft the filing on a pro-bono basis. They solely prepared the filing.
- Ms. Magruder stated she does not intend to make the filing unless otherwise directed by the Board. Mr. Rawle suggested that unless the Board disagrees with that position, a formal vote is not necessary. The formal vote is only needed if moving forward with the filing.
- Ms. Magruder concluded the meeting saying MCEC will not move forward with the filing and that is the action to take with no disagreement from the Board.

Mr. Greene moved to adjourn the call. Ms. Schiavone seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:49 PM.