

MINUTES
MID-AMERICAN REGULATORY CONFERENCE
BUSINESS MEETING
November 13, 2001
Philadelphia, PA

The following MARC Commissioners were in attendance at the meeting:

Sandy Hochstetter	Arkansas	Phyllis Reha	Minnesota
Betty Dickey	Arkansas	Lowell C. Johnson	Nebraska
Ruth Kretschmer	Illinois	Anne Boyle	Nebraska
Richard Mathias	Illinois	Susan Wefald	North Dakota
Bill McCarty	Indiana	Leo Reinbold	North Dakota
David Ziegner	Indiana	Anthony Clark	North Dakota
Mark Lambert	Iowa	Judy Jones	Ohio
Diane Munns	Iowa	Alan Schriber	Ohio
Brian Moline	Kansas	Bob Anthony	Oklahoma
John Wine	Kansas	Denise Bode	Oklahoma
Bob Nelson	Michigan	Pam Nelson	South Dakota
Dave Svanda	Michigan	Jim Burg	South Dakota
Edward Garvey	Minnesota	Ave Bie	Wisconsin
LeRoy Koppendraye	Minnesota	Bert Garvin	Wisconsin

MARC President Susan Wefald called the meeting to order at 7:15 a.m. and a quorum was established.

Introductions:

FCC Commissioner Michael Copps, Brad Ramsey from NARUC and Jordon Goldstein, Senior Advisor to Commissioner Copps, were introduced as special guests. They left after brief greetings were exchanged.

Two Commissioners were unable to attend due to deaths in the family - Commissioner Connie Murray of Missouri had a brother who passed away, and Missouri Commission Chairman Kelvin Simmons' wife passed away.

Commissioners were encouraged to send condolences.

Secretary's Report:

The minutes of the July, 2001 MARC business meeting in Seattle were read and approved without amendment.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's report was presented and approved. The MARC seed money for Michigan has been returned, and an additional \$47,000 from the Michigan MARC Conference was presented. The annual MARC audit will be performed shortly, as the books were just received. The updated audit report will be presented at the MARC business meeting in February of 2002.

Announcements:

The meeting announcement was made for the San Antonio "Commissioners-only" meeting and next summer's MARC Conference in North Dakota, June 22-26, 2002.

2001 MARC Conference in Michigan:

Commissioner Dave Svanda of Michigan presented the final numbers from the 2001 MARC Conference at Mackinac Island. There were 715 advance reservations made, and 645 attendees. \$3,000 will be retained until the last two checks clear, and then the account will be closed and the final balance deposited in the MARC account.

Audit Committee Update:

Audit will start next week.

MARC San Antonio Retreat:

The San Antonio meeting was announced. MARC will cover all expenses except for cab fare. All reservations must be made by December 10, 2001. The Summit will begin with supper on Thursday night and conclude with lunch on Saturday. Bill Nugent has been invited. Commissioner Ed Garvey of Minnesota initiated a discussion regarding whether or not the MARC meeting in San Antonio constitutes

an “open meeting.” Since state statutes differ, it was decided that each state would interpret that question per its own statutes. On Saturday night, representatives from Mexico will be in town to meet and visit with if you are interested, on the subject of developing a better utility regulatory relationship between the 2 countries. Commissioner Ruth Kretschmer of Illinois and Commissioner Svanda will contact the International committee.

2003 MARC Conference in Nebraska:

Commissioner Anne Boyle requested \$15,000 seed money for the 2003 Nebraska MARC Conference. A motion was made, seconded and approved. The treasurer will send her the check.

FERC RTO Process:

Commissioner Bob Nelson of Michigan reported on FERC RTO developments regarding the Midwest RTO. A new FERC questionnaire was mailed to midwest Commissioners last Friday. We need to file joint comments at FERC by November 30th. Commissioner Nelson will draft a response and circulate it by November 25th. The Regional panel will be in Chicago on November 27th.

Other Items:

Mark Lambert, the new Commissioner from Iowa, introduced himself.

Business was concluded at 7:55 a.m. A motion to adjourn until San Antonio was approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra L. Hochstetter, Secretary