

Wind Workforce Standards Committee
Minutes
June 24, 2021
11:00 AM 12:30 PM, Eastern
Conference Call
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Minutes:

1. Welcome: Al Zeitz, ILEC
2. Roll Call: ACP Staff
 - a. Meeting met quorum. 17 voting members attended.
3. Review and approve agenda
 - a. Motion to approve the agenda.
 - b. Dwayne Kitchen, World Wind & Solar, motion, Tom Sutton, KVCC, 2nd
 - c. Motion approved
4. Approval of March draft meeting minutes: Al Zeitz, ILEC
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- i. Workforce Definition Standards Subcommittee, Chair: Tom Sutton, KVCC
 - ii. Wind Technician Entry-Level Minimum Standard Subcommittee, Chair: Alan Nelson, Run Energy
 - b. Micro-Credential Subcommittee, Chairs: Andy Dibling and Jeff Sampeer, Clearway Energy
 - i. Looking for volunteers
 - 1. The following volunteered during the meeting: Alan Nelson, Run Energy; Brent Knight, Intuitive Safety Solutions, Inc.; Early Deloach, Pattern Energy Group Services, LP; Kit Thompson, Cloud County Community College
 - ii. Brent Knight, Intuitive Safety Solutions, Inc., asked if the group has considered developing an apprenticeship program schools for training and on the job training with the companies. apply for a grant. We can develop a roadmap for an apprenticeship program.
 - 1. Michele Mihelic, ACP, noted this is part 2. It was decided early on that we would start with the entry-level credential and micro-credentials. There is more that we need to do. Apprenticeship program and applying for a grant is more for the non-standards side of ACP. Since this group is focused on developing standards.

8. Additional Items

Discussion: Broaden committee scope

- a. Al Zeitz, ILEC Energy, asked the group: Do we broaden the scope to expand beyond wind energy? He noted that at a minimum we need to change AWEA to ACP.
- b. Brent Knight, Intuitive Safety Solutions, Inc., noted it might be too soon to broaden this, wait until we have more solar/storage participates. We just made know the landscape yet.
- c. Alan Nelson, Run Energy, noted he was surprised we stopped at utility scale solar. WWS and I are servicing rooftop units.
- d. Early Deloach, Pattern Energy Group Services, LP, asked about the solar industry, SEIA, they have standards that they develop, right?
 - i. Michele Mihelic, ACP, noted SEIA is not an SDO. They did have some

- g. Al Zeitz, ILEC Energy, asked if we can have the umbrella committee, clean power work force, and have subcommittees that focus on solar, storage, etc. Is this ok with ANSI.
 - i. Michele Mihelic, ACP, noted as long as we follow our scope and procedures. When it comes to the training for clean energy, there are nuances, but how different is electrical or LOTO, as an example.
 - ii. Al Zeitz, ILEC Energy, noted interest to create one umbrella committee and have subcommittees under it.
 - iii. Dwayne Coffey, EPRI, agreed, noted it makes sense.
 - iv. Alan Nelson, Run Energy, noted it becomes a time thing on what it will be like to participate on multiple groups.
 - v. Jeff Sampeer, Clearway Energy, noted our solar techs are our battery storage techs, makes sense to bridge these two.
 - vi. Dwayne Kitchen, World Wind & Solar, I agree, also our solar techs are our battery techs. Everything crosses over. It all applies. Combining battery and solar would be great.
 - vii. Kit Thompson, Cloud County Community College, noted as we work on committee membership and get more general interest and education/training, if our scope stays wind, if we have an opportunity to
 - 1. Al Zeitz, ILEC Energy, noted yes, if the scope remains the same, correct.
 - h. Next steps: ACP staff to draft updated scope, send to chair & vice-chair for review, and send to group 30 days before the next call for review.
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