MINUTES OF THE  
AIR QUALITY POLICY ADVISORY BOARD  
Tuesday, October 16, 2018 – 5:00 p.m. – Kletting Room – Capitol Complex

Members Present:

Dr. Kerry E. Kelly, Chair          Rep. Timothy D. Hawkes, Vice Chair
Sen. Luz Escamilla                Ms. Ashley Miller
Sen. Todd Weiler                  Mr. Bryce Bird

Staff Present:

Mr. Dave McNeill, Div. of Air Quality       Ms. Whitney Oswald, Div. of Air Quality
Mr. Mark Berger, Div. of Air Quality        Mr. Glade Sowards, Div. of Air Quality

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.utah.gov/pmn/index.html

1. Welcome

Dr. Kerry Kelly called the meeting to order.

2. Annual Election of Chair and Vice Chair.

MOTION: Ashley Miller motioned to postpone this item. Second by Sen. Todd Weiler. Motion passed with a vote of 6-0-4.

Yeas – 6                              Nays – 0                        Absent - 4
Dr. Kerry Kelly                      Rep. Carl Albrecht
Sen. Todd Weiler                    Rep. Angela Romero
Sen. Luz Escamilla                  Mr. Jeremy Andrus
Rep. Timothy Hawkes                 Mr. Todd Bingham
Ms. Ashley Miller
Mr. Bryce Bird

3. Review and Approval of Minutes for the August 14, 2018, meeting.

MOTION: Sen. Todd Weiler motioned to approve the minutes. Second by Ms. Ashley Miller. Motion passed with a vote of 6-0-4.

Yeas – 6                              Nays – 0                        Absent - 4
Dr. Kerry Kelly                      Rep. Carl Albrecht
Sen. Todd Weiler                    Rep. Angela Romero
Sen. Luz Escamilla                  Mr. Jeremy Andrus
Rep. Timothy Hawkes                 Mr. Todd Bingham
Ms. Ashley Miller
Mr. Bryce Bird
4. AQPB Criteria and Strategies for Communicating to Legislative Leadership.

Rep. Hawkes introduced a draft document which states the mission of the Board, as written in the statutory language, potential review criteria, and potential prioritization or recommendation on items that are brought for the Board’s consideration.

Board members are asked to review and submit recommended changes so the document can be finalized.


Kevin Emerson, Energy Efficiency Program Director at Utah Clean Energy, gave an update on the building codes in Utah, proposed changes to the code, and an idea to expand home affordability for low income Utahan’s with an air quality connection.

5a. Building Energy Codes & Home Weatherization in Utah

6. Area Sources

Glade Sowards, Environmental Scientist at Division of Air Quality, gave a presentation focusing on area sources, what area sources are, and how buildings and homes impact our air sheds.

6a. Area Source Emissions

7. PM$_{2.5}$ State Implementation Plan status, AiR$^2$ meeting.

Bryce Bird updated that the Utah State Implementation Plan (SIP) is currently out for a 30-day public comment period. Noting the success that Utah County and Cache Valley are below the standard and have submitted a clean data determination with the EPA.

Bryce Bird updated that the formal process to identify air quality research funding for projects for next year has started. Requests for proposals began November 1, 2018, and runs to January 4, 2019. Proposals will be reviewed and recipients selected for funding starting July 1, 2019.

Mr. Bird updated that $30,000 has been appropriated annually for this Board and that least year unused funds reverted back to the general fund.

8. Upcoming Meeting Agenda

Dr. Kevin Cromar and James Holtkamp with Holland & Hart will present some suggestions for air quality policy at the November meeting. The Utah Petroleum Association will also present some initiatives as well at the next meeting.


The next Board meeting will be on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. Plans for setting up future meetings, especially during the legislative session, were discussed.

10. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes approved: November 13, 2018