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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
April 16, 2013
Telephonic

CALL TO ORDER 10:00 a.m. (Chairman Reiser)

ROLL CALL

TELEPHONICALLY
PRESENT

Janet Reiser and Brad Evans (Chugach); Joe Griffith and Janet Kincaid (MEA); Rick Schikora (GVEA); Willard Dunham (Seward)

OTHERS PRESENT
TELEPHONICALLY

Suzie Deuser (MEA); Brian Hickey, Lee Thibert and Mark Johnson (Chugach)

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

- (Griffith) The state grant funding sent to the governor was \$95 million for Watana.
- (Evans) ARCTEC needs to meet with AEA to develop a plan for financing “unconstrain” Bradley Lake.
- (Kincaid) Will approach the governor and ask for a seat on the AEA Board.
- (Evans) Suggests that ARCTEC meet with AEA and finalize the precedent agreement.
- (Griffith) Will contact Sara Fisher-Goad and set up a meeting with AEA.
- (Evans) Suggests the possibility of a battery system or another cheaper alternative method than more interties or with a reduced reliability standard for the upgrading for some of the transmission lines for Watana as a possibility.

SINGLE OPERATOR (Hickey)

- Believes a package for a single operator can be ready this summer.
- States there are no existing problems that haven’t been solved by another model.
- Acknowledges additional time will be needed to negotiate the details between the utilities.
- (Evans) Opines that a unified grid solves transmission congestion problem.
- (Evans) Optimistic that if we have a unified grid, ARCTEC will receive a resurgence of support for necessary transmission fixes.

HOMER WITHDRAWAL

- (Evans) Suggests after Homer’s Annual meeting, some ARCTEC members could request to present to the Board regarding ARCTEC membership.

CEO HIRING

- (Reiser) Understanding Seward’s authorization of one year funding for the CEO, suggests that ARCTEC should either offer a one-year contract or tell the remaining utility Boards of the possibility of an additional financial commitment.

- (Kincaid/Evans) Motion to offer a one-year contract to the CEO candidate with an option to extend a second year depending on funding.
- Hearing no objections, chair declares the motion CARRIED.
- (Evans) Will notify Tyler to proceed.

BOARD COMMENTS

- (Evans) Encourages the ARCTEC Board to celebrate the success of the \$95 million funding for Watana.

NEXT MEETING: Call of the chair.

ADJOURNMENT: (Schikora/Dunham) Motion to adjourn CARRIED.