



Organization of MISO States

**ORGANIZATION OF MISO STATES, INC.
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2012**

Approved February 23, 2012

Robert Kenney, President of the Organization of MISO States, Inc. (OMS), called the January 27, 2012 meeting of the OMS Executive Committee to order via conference call at approximately 1:00 p.m. (CST). The following directors participated in the meeting:

President – Robert Kenney, Missouri
Vice-President – Kari Bennett, Indiana
Treasurer – David Boyd, Minnesota
Secretary – Jerry Lein, proxy for Tony Clark, North Dakota
Commissioner at Large – Eric Callisto, Wisconsin

Others present on the conference call:

Illinois – Randy Rismiller
Wisconsin – Randy Pilo
OMS Staff – Bill Smith

The directors listed above established the necessary quorum of three (3) Executive Committee members.

Kari Bennett moved approval of the minutes from November 22, 2011. Robert Kenney seconded. The minutes were approved by consensus.

BUSINESS

1. Designation of the OMS Auditor

Bill Smith presented information regarding the auditor bid from Ryun Givens.

Eric Callisto moved to authorize Bill Smith to retain the auditor. Kari Bennett seconded. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

2. Grid School Travel Requests

Bill Smith reviewed his previously sent memo requesting five travel stipends to Michigan State's Grid School. There have been two additional requests, bringing the total stipend request to about \$12,500.

Robert Kenney moved to approve 7 travel stipends. Eric Callisto seconded. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

3. Possible Amendments to the OMS By-Laws

- Robert Kenney began the discussion on possible amendments or changes to the OMS by-laws to accommodate the proposed integration of the ERSC into OMS. The by-laws will be discussed at the February OMS/ERSC meeting in New Orleans. The following items were discussed at length:
 - Omit the geographic balance provision and Kari Bennett proposed language to continue to achieve geographic balance. Bill Smith explained the MAPP state requirements in the TO agreements. Eric Callisto suggested that this might be an issue with the ERSC and Entergy integration.
 - Addition of the immediate Past President to the Executive Committee.
 - Addition of a permanent Personnel Compensation Committee.
 - Eric Callisto walked through his suggested changes, which were primarily language changes, but did include concerns about how to best integrate the City of New Orleans as a regulatory authority and the use of closed meetings.
- There was additional discussion regarding the application of individual states' open meeting laws, especially Indiana's, as OMS is an Indiana non-profit. Kari Bennett believed that as OMS is not an Indiana state agency, it is not directly subject to those laws.
- It was decided to present the by-law amendments after the ERSC meeting, in either the March or April Board Meeting.

4. Meeting with ERSC Officers

The agenda for the February 13th meeting was discussed.

5. Possible Meeting with MISO Officers

MISO leadership wants to meet with OMS in Washington, DC prior to NARUC's general session. It was agreed to have Robert Kenney work with MISO to schedule a time.

6. Possible Action Item: Congressional Letter

Bill Smith presented a request from APPA that Congressional delegation letters to FERC on capacity markets would be helpful. The draft letter was distributed; OMS members were to ask their Congressional delegations to sign; letters need to be sent by the end of NARUC, if the members believe is appropriate.

7. Agenda for the February 9 OMS Board Meeting

Due to the National Electricity Forum, moving the meeting to February 10th was discussed. It was decided to leave the meeting on the 9th.

Administrative Report

Bill Smith highlighted the following items:

- Order 741: MISO has asked for an extension through April. It involves credit issues; OMS comments will not be available until after February 9.
- Litigation in the 7th Circuit: Bill Smith requested commissioners begin thinking about what position OMS should take in this litigation.
- OMS will continue with a 4th Wednesday schedule with Dr. Patton.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:00 p.m. CST