Minutes of the
RENEWABLE ENERGY COUNCIL
Monday, October 14th, 2019
1:00 p.m. (CDT)
ND Department of Commerce, Icelandic Room – Bismarck, ND

CALL TO ORDER
Members Present: Michelle Kommer - (phone), David Douglas – (phone), Mark Nisbet - (phone), Gerald Bachmeier – (phone), Terry Goerger – (phone), Al Christianson, Rod Holth

Others Present: Andrea Pfennig, ND Industrial Commission
Karlene Fine, ND Industrial Commission
Reice Haas, Governor’s Office

WELCOME AND OPENING COMMENTS
Commissioner Kommer, Chairwoman, called the Renewable Energy Council meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
It was moved by Christianson and seconded by Holth to approve the June 5th, 2019; June 17th, 2019; and the July 9th, 2019 meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF MODIFICATION REQUESTS

R-016-026 – “Renewable Energy Commodity Trading Education Program”; Submitted by NDSU
Request for modification of Scope of Work:
Request to eliminate “Deliver educational programs” and replace with “Delivery of educational materials to industry seminars and to existing NDSU courses in commodity and risk management.”

Request for Re Budget:
Request to transfer travel expense line item to salary line item.

R-035-044 – “Preparation of Graphene -Modified LiFePO4 Cathode for Li-Ion Battery; Submitted by UND
Request for modification of Scope of Work:
No change

Request for Re Budget:
Request to transfer operating cost line item to salary line item.

COMPLETION OF BALLOTS
R-016-026 – “Renewable Energy Commodity Trading Education Program”; Submitted by NDSU
Total Project Costs: $1,000,000
Amount Awarded: $500,000
Fund:  7  No:  0
Conflict of Interest: none

R-035-044 – “Preparation of Graphene -Modified LiFePO4 Cathode for Li-Ion Battery; Submitted by UND
Total Project Costs: $696,239
Amount Awarded: $238,366
Fund:  7  No:  0
Conflict of Interest: none
CONSIDERATION OF MODIFICATIONS TO MISSIONS AND GOALS

NORTH DAKOTA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION
RENEWABLE ENERGY COUNCIL

Mission Statement
The mission of the Renewable Energy Council is to promote the growth of North Dakota’s renewable energy industries through research, development, marketing, and education.

Goals & Purposes

• Promote efficient, economic and environmentally sound development and use of North Dakota’s vast renewable energy resources, particularly in the areas of wind energy, biofuels (ethanol & biodiesel), biomass, advanced biofuels, and advanced energy technology.

Motion was made by Christianson and seconded by Holth to accept the addition of “advanced biofuels, and advanced energy technology” to the Goals and Purposes section of the Renewable Energy Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was unanimously adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Michelle Kommer 1/8/2020
Chairwoman

Sherri Frieze 01.08.20
Recording Secretary