



SRS Citizens Advisory Board

Executive Committee

Meeting Summary

July 23, 2001
Holiday Inn Coliseum
Columbia, SC

The SRS Citizens Advisory Board Executive Committee met on Monday, July 23, 2001, at 3 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Coliseum at USC, Columbia, S.C. The meeting was held to discuss the 2002 meeting schedule, leadership of the CAB, CAB technical contracts, focus groups and non-CAB member representation at national meetings. The following were in attendance:

CAB Members

Karen Patterson*
Brendolyn Jenkins*
Mel Galin*
Jimmy Mackey*
Wade Waters*
Beckie Dawson
Perry Holcomb
Murray Riley
Jean Sulc*
Bill Willoughby
J.G. Long

Stakeholders

Red Mischner
Lynn Waishwell
Mary Kelly

DOE/Contractors

Tom Heenan, DOE
Gerri Flemming, DOE
George Mishra, DOE
Teresa Haas, WSRC
Mike Schoener, CAB Facilitator
Dawn Haygood, WSRC

***Executive Committee Members**

2002 Meeting Schedule

Karen Patterson asked if the CAB should repeat the 2001 quarterly meeting schedule format followed by combined committee meetings and whether the CAB should meet at the same locations in 2002. Wade Waters moved the Board continue with quarterly meetings followed by combined committee meetings. Jimmy Mackey seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. The members did decide to meet in Beaufort instead of Barnwell in 2002.

CAB Leadership

Karen Patterson reminded the Executive Committee, three of whom had announced their intention to run for chair of the CAB in 2002, that all candidates run for position of chair and the first and second runner-up candidates fill the officer positions.

CAB Technical Contracts

Karen Patterson asked the Executive Committee if it wished to exercise the optional year of the Crescent Environmental, Inc. technical contract. Wade Waters moved the CAB retain the services of Rick McLeod and Jimmy Mackey seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Karen Patterson also noted that a CAB contract with Joel Massmann of the University of Washington was nearing expiration. Brendolyn Jenkins moved the CAB allow this contract to expire and Wade Waters seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Focus Groups Updates

Jimmy Mackey announced that the final product of the Old Radioactive Waste Burial Ground Focus Group had been mailed to all members on July 16 and the final recommendations would be presented the following day thus bringing this focus group to completion. Wade Waters announced that a final report of the Salt Processing Focus Group should be available in the August-September timeframe with a final report at the October CAB meeting completing the work of this focus group. He stated that the CIF Focus Group will continue to meet every other month until a decision is made and there is currently no end date.

Karen Patterson noted that she thought the ORWBG Focus Group was a good exercise and probably a good mechanism to evaluate issues on site. Brendolyn Jenkins agreed it was an excellent model for how to do focus groups, but did not think the Board necessarily need to create another one or look for issues. Wade Waters stated that as we run into issues that go beyond the capability of the committee, the focus groups give the Board the ability to draw on other expertise, however he agreed the Board doesn't need to go looking for its next issue.

Non-CAB Member Representation at National Meetings

Mel Galin requested this agenda item noting he had hoped that P.K. Smith, Chair of the Long Term Stewardship Subcommittee might be able to travel to national meetings at the Board's expense. Tom Heenan addressed this issue stating that this poses policy difficulty in that the selected CAB members have a legal standing and citizens do not. The problem is where to stop. Many citizens would be interested in providing this type of service to the CAB. Therefore, DOE will not approve using CAB funds for general citizens travel.

Other Items

Karen Patterson announced that she and Brendolyn Jenkins would attend the Site Specific Advisory Board Chair Meeting August 26-29 in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Mel Galin noted a community leaders breakfast held in Savannah, Ga. and the fact that the CAB was not invited. It was noted that this meeting was for Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development representatives.

Perry Holcomb reported on the first Alternatives Technologies to Incineration Committee meeting. He noted a second meeting will be held in late September. He discussed the positive potential of the committee, which is composed of 16 members, five of which are from South Carolina.

Brendolyn Jenkins announced that she and Jimmy Mackey were attending an Academic Institutions Communities and Agencies Network meeting in Crystal City, Va. the following weekend. Sponsored by the Citizens for Environmental Justice, this is an initiative to help solve local environmental problems faced by communities with limited resources. She emphasized that they were not attending as CAB representatives, but hoped to share what they gained with the CAB.

Beckie Dawson noted she had scheduled a conference call with Mildred McClain regarding outreach and Dawn Haygood noted a list of upcoming CFEJ public meetings was available and would be provided to the Full Board.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

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