



OPPDP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 15, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Omaha Public Power District ("OPPDP" or "District") was held on Thursday, August 15 at 5:00 p.m. at the Omaha Douglas Civic Center, 1819 Farnam Street, 2nd Floor Legislative Chamber, Omaha, Nebraska and via WebEx audio and video conference.

Present in person at the Civic Center were Directors A. E. Bogner, M. J. Cavanaugh, M. R. Core, S. E. Howard, J. M. Mollhoff, C. C. Moody, M. G. Spurgeon and E. H. Williams. Also present in person were L. J. Fernandez, President and Chief Executive Officer, Messrs. S. M. Bruckner and T. F. Meyerson of the Fraser Stryker law firm, General Counsel for the District, E. H. Lane, Sr. Board Operations Specialist, and other members of the OPPDP Board meeting logistics support staff. Chair E. H. Williams presided and E. H. Lane recorded the minutes. Members of the executive leadership team present in person included J. M. Bishop, K. W. Brown, C. V. Fleener, S. M. Focht, G. M. Langel, T. D. McAreavey and L. A. Olson. M. V. Purnell joined via WebEx.

Board Agenda Item 1: Chair Opening Statement

Chair Williams gave a brief opening statement, including reminders for using the WebEx audio and video conferencing platform.

Board Agenda Item 2: Safety Briefing

Josh Clark, Manager, Protective Services, provided physical safety reminders. L. J. Fernandez, President and CEO, provided psychological safety reminders, including current safety focus reminders about: (i) Back to School; (ii) Human Performance Tool Use; and (iii) Personal Protective Equipment.

Board Agenda Item 3: Guidelines for Participation

Chair Williams then presented the guidelines for the conduct of the meeting and instructions on the public comment process in the room and using WebEx audio and video conferencing features.

Board Agenda Item 4: Roll Call

Ms. Lane took roll call of the Board. All members were present in person.

Board Agenda Item 5: Announcement regarding public notice of meeting

Ms. Lane read the following:

"Notice of the time and place of this meeting was publicized by notifying the area news media; by publicizing same in the Omaha World Herald, OPPD Outlets

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newsletter, oppd.com and social media; by displaying such notice on the Arcade Level of Energy Plaza; and by e-mailing such notice to each of the District's Directors on August 9, 2024.

A copy of the proposed agenda for this meeting has been maintained, on a current basis, and is readily available for public inspection in the office of the District's Corporate Secretary.

Additionally, a copy of the Open Meetings Act is available for inspection on oppd.com and in this meeting room."

Board Consent Action Items:

6. Approval of the May and June 2024 Financial Report, June 2024 Meeting Minutes and the August 15, 2024 Agenda
7. Award RFP No. 6149 Fall 2024 Transmission Construction – Resolution No. 6656

It was moved and seconded that the Board approve the consent action items.

Chair Williams noted the Board discussed the action items during the All Committees meeting held on Tuesday, August 13, 2024.

Chair Williams then asked for public comment. There were no comments from the public in attendance at the meeting.

Chair Williams then asked for public comment on WebEx. There were no comments.

Thereafter, the vote was recorded as follows: Bogner – Yes; Cavanaugh – Yes; Core – Yes; Howard – Yes; Mollhoff – Yes; Moody – Yes; Spurgeon – Yes; Williams – Yes. The motion carried (8-0).

Board Discussion Action Items

8. Resolution of Appreciation for OPPD's July 2024 Storm Restoration Effort – Resolution No. 6657

Director Moody moved to approve the discussion action item and it was seconded by Director Mollhoff. Chair Williams asked for comments from the Board. There were comments of appreciation by Director Moody, Director Core, Director Mollhoff, Director Spurgeon, Director Cavanaugh and Director Williams.

Chair Williams then asked for public comment. There were three comments from the public in attendance at the meeting.

David Begley, 4611 S. 96th Street, Omaha, provided comments on OPPD's statutory duties, and presented materials to the board which are attached to these minutes.

Mary Peck, 8125 Park View Blvd, LaVista, provided comments of support for the board and the resolution.

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Garry Floyd, 1205 Willow Ave, representing the Twin Ridge community, provided comments of appreciation for the storm restoration efforts and support of the resolution.

Chair Williams asked for comments from members of the public on WebEx. There were two comments.

Cheryl Weston, 1124 Pacific St, Omaha, representing the North Omaha Coal Plant Ad Hoc Committee, provided support of the resolution and expressed thanks for the restoration efforts.

John Pollack, 1412 N. 35th Street, Omaha, provided comments on the July 31 storm and silver maple trees.

Thereafter, the vote was recorded as follows: Bogner – Yes; Cavanaugh – Yes; Core – Yes; Howard – Yes; Mollhoff – Yes; Moody – Yes; Spurgeon – Yes; Williams – Yes. The motion carried (8-0).

Board Agenda Item 9: President's Report & July 31 Storm Response and Update

President Fernandez next presented the following information:

- July 2024 Baseload Generation
- July 2024 Balancing Generation
- July 2024 Renewables
- Honor Our Community – Celebrating State Fairs
- Volunteering
- Community Celebrations
- July 31, Storm Response and Update - Video
- In Memoriam – Arthur Pakiser

Board Agenda Item 10: Opportunity for comment on other items of District Business

Chair Williams asked for comments from the public in the room on other items of District business. There were three comments.

David Begley, 4611 S. 96th Street, Omaha, provided comments on net zero goals, and presented books and materials to the board which are attached to these minutes.

Jackie Petros, 1706 Cascio Dr, Bellevue, provided comments on carbon neutral electricity.

Betty Tomasi, 739 N. 89th St, Omaha, provided comments on global warming.

Chair Williams asked for comments from members of the public on WebEx. There were two comments.

Cheryl Weston, 1124 Pacific St, Omaha, representing the North Omaha Coal Plant Ad Hoc Committee, provided comments on environmental justice and SD-7 revisions.

Tedde Morrison, provided comments on EPA clean water act violation and clean energy resources.

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Mr. John Pollack, 1412 N. 35th Street, Omaha, provided a weather update.

There were no additional comments from the public in attendance at the meeting or via WebEx.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Signed by:

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S. M. Focht
Vice President – Corporate Strategy and
Governance and Assistant Secretary

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Erin Lane

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E. H. Lane
Sr. Board Operations Specialist

July 15, 2024 data

Omaha

Sunset **8:56 p.m.**

**Zero power generated at
Platteview Solar**

Temp **84 F**

Humidity **72%**

Washington Cty, KS 9 mph

Ainsworth, NE Zero

Broken Bow, NE Zero

Petersburg, NE 5 mph

Bloomfield, NE Zero

Crofton, NE 6 mph

Humboldt, NE 4 mph

O' Neill, NE 5 mph

Sholes (Wayne), NE 7 mph

Millions in spending, millions in tax credits
and negligible "green" power produced at
9 p.m. on a hot and humid night in Omaha.

**That's abject failure and not serving
OPPD's customer-owners per your
statutory duty.**

OPPD has a statutory duty to provide reliable power.

Wind and solar are not reliable. They are intermittent.

Part of the duty of reliable power is to keep OPPD's easements clear of trees.

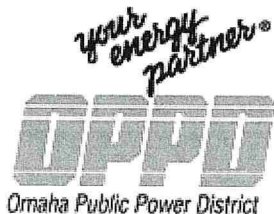
Part of OPPD's duty of reliable power is to harden its infrastructure to mitigate the severity of damages from a storm like July 31, 2024.

The Board needs to follow Nebraska law.



Thank you for contacting OPPD.

From: BoardMemberContact@oppd.com
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Date: Aug 6, 2024 9:28:55 PM



Dear David D Begley,

Thank you for contacting OPPD. Below is a summary of the information you submitted:

Name: David D Begley
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Send Message To: L. Javier Fernandez, Michael J. Cavanaugh, Sara Howard, Craig Moody, Mary Spurgeon, Matt Core, Amanda Bogner, Eric Williams, Janece Mollhoff

Message:

Directors and CEO:

Below is my Facebook post of my discussion with director Moody after his lecture at the W. Dale Clark library. I wrote the post right after the event.

Director Moody made a series of admissions against interest that you should know about and so should all of OPPD's customer-owners.

Much as the Board doesn't like this fact, there are two sides to the CAGW story and I strongly believe I'm on the right side. Politics can be a rough game, but that's how democracy works.

In all sincerity, you need to follow your statutory duty and put aside your personal political beliefs. You are there to serve customer-owners and not to pursue some utopia in 2100.

/s/ David D. Begley

"Tonight, OPPD director Craig Moody made a series of admissions against interests to me after a lecture at the W. Dale Clark library. I'm stunned. Floored. In retrospect, I wish I had recorded the conversation.

1. He admitted that OPPD had done a poor job of hardening infrastructure. As I've said, some of the consequences of the July 31 storm could have been mitigated if the OPPD Board wasn't completely focused on net zero.
2. He admitted he hadn't read the Center of the American Experiment's studies on the true cost of net zero. The most shocking thing is he doesn't care if OPPD customer-owners die during a winter blackout. How uncaring! Completely stunning!
3. He really and sincerely believes that if little OPPD (gross revenue under \$2b) achieves net zero, then the world's temp won't go up. In 2021, China and India emitted 38% of the world's carbon dioxide. Whatever OPPD emits isn't even measurable on a worldwide basis. Omaha and Omaha Public Power District are not the center of the universe and certainly don't control the climate of the Earth.
4. He doesn't care if Cass County Solar and K-Junction Solar (York County) aren't approved. He says OPPD has other methods to achieve net zero. He probably meant a PPA with another solar company in the SW.

5. He doesn't care if OPPD spends \$28b to achieve net zero. If it is \$40b or \$20b, he's indifferent. But the customer-owners will pay the price. As long as someone else is paying the bills, Craig Moody is okay with it. Craig has to save the planet from burning up in 2100.

6. He's okay with groupthink. As a lawyer, I know the best way to arrive at the truth is through the adversary system. Group think gave us the Vietnam war and that was a disaster. Ideas have to be tested by opponents.

7. He had no answer when I told him that the Left had been wrong about every single prediction of climate doom over the past 50 years. For Craig, it is just plunge right ahead with the predictions about events in the far distant future by academics who have always been wrong. Not smart. A record of failure doesn't give one confidence that current predictions are accurate.

Craig Moody is unbelievably arrogant and living in a Green liberal bubble. All he cares about is net zero and us plebes will pay the price. If rates triple or people die, he's fine with that. Just collateral damage in his idea of the greater good. That's very much a Marxist and Maoist way of thinking. He can't even comprehend that there is another side to the CAGW story.

Craig claimed I haven't been "productive" in my criticisms of the Board. I totally disagree with the Board's policies and direction and I have confronted the Board head on. I'm not going to play nice. The economic future of the Omaha area is at stake and possibly some lives. High stakes call for bold action and words.

In other news, Nebraska Chapter Sierra Club's David Corbin stood up and screamed at me. Some old woman told me to STFU. The libs are unhinged. They can't handle dissent and debate. Sad! Frankly, it is unAmerican to censor and ignore dissent on important public issues. There are two sides to the CAGW story."

We will review your submission and will follow-up with you on a response.

Thank you,
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Three things have struck me in my 36 months of attending your meetings: A lack of seriousness, brazen lawlessness, and groupthink. On the issue of groupthink, Director Moody said he hadn't read *The Best and the Brightest* so I've got free copies for you here today.

You set policy and sit atop a large public entity with nearly a \$1.5 billion dollar budget. It is serious business. **People depend upon you.** You are supposed to be smart, prudent and follow the law.

Instead, this Board acts in the manner of the Brownell-Talbot student council; obsessed with net zero to the exclusion of what's important. You've been duped by the Green-Industrial complex. Net zero is your religion and the law, facts, data and science are all ignored by you.

On the evening of August 7th, I was at a local business. The man had been nice to me earlier in the evening. We fell into conversation as I was leaving. I asked how he had weathered the July 31st outage. He was one of the lucky ones and had been spared.

I then asked him and his co-worker if they knew that OPPD had a net zero policy. "No" was the answer. They didn't even know what net zero is. I explained.

I then told them some of my August 6th interaction with Director Craig Moody. I told them Director Moody admitted that OPPD hadn't done enough to harden its infrastructure and that rates were going up. I also told him that Director Moody feels that OPPD can change the planet's climate by achieving net zero by 2050.

As I was leaving the man thanked me for the information and said, **“We need to elect smart people.”**

We need to elect smart people.

This hard-working man was not college educated, but he knew your net zero policy is wrong and that this Board has failed OPPD's customer-owners.

I've been blessed with a Jesuit education. At Creighton Prep, they told us to be Men for Others. I am that Man for Others. I speak for the forgotten OPPD customer-owner. I speak for the plebes. I speak truth to power.

Before you adjourn tonight, I ask the Board to be smart and repeal your unlawful SD-7.

David D. Begley