

VIRGINIA OFFSHORE WIND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Board Meeting
State Capitol ~ House Room 3
Richmond, Virginia
December 6, 2018 | 10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Joan Bondareff called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m. She introduced new members Mark Mitchell, Hayes Framme, and Laura McKay.

VOWDA Members Present: Joan Bondareff, Bob Matthias, Laura McKay, Art Moye, Hayes Framme, Mark Mitchell, Phi Green, Brian Redmond

VOWDA Members Absent: Jim McArthur

VOWDA Staff Present: John Warren (DMME), Will Payne (DMME), Al Christopher (DMME), Ken Jurman (DMME), Lynne Astroth (DMME), Evie Christopher (DMME), Barbara Simcoe (DMME), Paul Kugelman (Office of the Attorney General)

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES

Staff had previously distributed copies of the February 28 and April 25 meeting minutes. Phil Green moved for approval and Brian Redmond seconded the motion. The motion carried with two abstentions.

PRESENTATIONS

Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind Project

Mark Mitchell (Dominion Energy) provided VOWDA members with an overview and update on the CVOW project. His presentation covered the project schedule and accomplishments, 2018 UCXO investigation survey, offshore construction, monopole foundation, export cable installation, design and procurement status, and CVOW benefits. A copy of his presentation is available on the VOWDA website, <https://www.vaoffshorewind.org/authority/about/>.

Offshore Wind Industry Supply Chain Development Plan

Andy Geissbuehler (BVG Associates / Renewable Resources International) presented to VOWDA on the recently released study on Virginia's offshore wind industry supply-chain development. DMME awarded BVG the consultant contract to develop a plan to make Virginia the choice for offshore wind supply-chain companies. Report recommendations: create a Virginia Office of Offshore Wind; work towards a multi-state regional supply cluster; solicit and attract anchor tenant companies for major components; enable and grow opportunities through partnerships and infrastructure; and grow opportunities through workforce development. A copy of the full report, *The Virginia Advantage: The Roadmap for the Offshore Wind Supply Chain in Virginia*, will be available on the Virginia Offshore Wind Industry

Advantage website at <https://www.vaoffshorewind.org>. A copy of his presentation is available on the VOWDA website, <https://www.vaoffshorewind.org/authority/about/>.

VOWDA BUSINESS

VOWDA 2018 Annual Report

Following discussion of the draft 2018 VOWDA Annual Report, Bob Matthias made a motion to approve the report as amended and Brian Redmond seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Election of 2019-2020 Officers

Joan Bondareff and Phil Green were elected as Chair and Vice Chair, respectively, for the 2019-2020 term.

DMME UPDATES

- ▶ The Atlantic Ocean Energy and Mineral Science Forum is scheduled for January 23-24, 2019, in Sterling, VA. Admission is free and interested parties can sign-up on BOEM's website.
- ▶ BOEM is planning a VA-NC Renewable Energy Intergovernmental Task Force meeting in Hampton Roads in late February or early March 2019.
- ▶ DOE is funding a NYSERDA-led National Offshore Wind Consortium that will serve to accelerate solutions that reduce offshore wind costs and increase opportunities for U.S. manufacturing and supply chain establishment. The Commonwealth of Virginia was invited to participate. Discussions include state participation options and promoting Virginia's offshore research lease area as a unique and valuable resource for Consortium activities.
- ▶ The Business Network for Offshore Wind solicited members for offshore wind infrastructure project ideas, such as port improvements, that the Network will assemble into a proposal to include in infrastructure legislation for the new Congress. The Network will prepare the legislative request for member review by January 24, 2019. Submission deadline 12/20/18.
- ▶ Ideas for 2020 BOEM supported research can be submitted to the Bureau by December 20, 2018.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Paul Olsen (ODU) offered his assistance to VOWDA on how to move forward with the Army Corps of Engineers' study on innovative ports for offshore wind under a provision of America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018 (S. 3021). He will report back to VOWDA and DMME.

NEXT MEETING DATE

With all scheduled business concluded, members agreed to convene again on Thursday, March 14, 2018. Meeting venue to be determined.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.