

# Minutes Northwest Area APDA 2015 Spring Meeting

May 12-15, 2015  
Lusso Hotel  
Spokane, WA  
Host: Avista Utilities

\*\*\*\*\* Northwest Area Officers Present \*\*\*\*\*

Secretary: David Bennett - BCH  
Treasurer: Shelby Burchett - DCPUD  
Trustee (acting): Bobbie Roberts - NWE

\*\*\*\*\* APDA Members Present \*\*\*\*\*

Eli Juve-BPA	Mark Spettel-Pacificorp	Doug Balfour-Fortis BC
Leah Alexander-BPA	Ismael Romero-Pacificorp	Ken Gelsing-Fortis BC
Brian Black-GCPUD	Dave Kokiw-Fortis BC	Wayne Gritch-Fortis BC
Mike Stussy-GCPUD	Ken Beishir-Calpine	Ron Roy-CHPUD
Tom Stewart-Avista	James Farran-BPA	Paul Scott-DCPUD
Chuck Benson-Avista	Rodney Sweet-BPA	Rip Divis-Avista
Jason Yoha-Avista	Dan Fedchan-BPA	Kevin Conway-Intellibind
Kit Blair-Iberdrola	Stephan Hartel-Fortis BC	Chris McDarment-CHPUD

The NW area business meeting was called to order at 13:02, on May 14th, 2015. 27 members were present.

\*\*\*\*\* Previous Meeting Minutes \*\*\*\*\*

Minutes of the 2014 Fall meeting in Las Vegas, NV, Oct 28<sup>th</sup> – Nov 1st, 2014, were read by Secretary David Bennett. The minutes were accepted as read.

\*\*\*\*\* Correspondence \*\*\*\*\*

None

\*\*\*\*\* Report of Area Secretary \*\*\*\*\*

None

**\*\*\*\*\* Report of Area Treasurer \*\*\*\*\***

Shelby Burchett reported a total NW area balance of \$28,519.46, as of May 11th, 2015. Paid NW Area membership, as of the time of the meeting, was 281.

**\*\*\*\*\* Report of Area Trustee \*\*\*\*\***

Bobbie Roberts reported that the 2015 APDA National Meeting was held Apr 7-9, in Brookfield, WI. The National treasury reports a total balance of \$77,058, as of Apr 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The next National meeting will be held Oct 13-15m, 2015, in Green Lake, WI.

**\*\*\*\*\* Report of Area President \*\*\*\*\***

None.

**\*\*\*\*\*Report from the Vice President\*\*\*\*\***

None.

**\*\*\*\*\* Report from the Committees \*\*\*\*\***

**Shirt Committee** – None.

**Scholarship Committee** – Shelby Burchett announced the recipient of the 2015 NW Area \$1000.00 Scholarship was Lauren Shriver, daughter of J.D. Shriver. Lauren will be attending Western Washington University in the fall.

**Nominating Committee** –Bobbie Roberts, Dave Bennett, and Ron Roy.

A request was made to the members for nominations to fill the vacant position of NW Area Trustee, and to replace the current NW Area Secretary. Tom Stewart, Avista, agreed to put his name forward for the Trustee position. David Bennett, agreed to stand for another term as Secretary.

**\*\*\*\*\* Election of Officers\*\*\*\*\***

Tom Stewart, Avista, was elected as NW Area Trustee.

David Bennett, BC Hydro, was re-elected as Secretary.

**\*\*\*\*\* Unfinished Business \*\*\*\*\***

NW Area website upgrade review. Arlen Simon is continuing to work on this. Shelby Burchett noted that the NW Area website is maintained by our wbebmater, Gayle Taylor, and that individual meeting announcement sites are provided by a third party vendor, at a cost of about \$600 per meeting. It was suggested that the registration website could be rolled into the Area website.

USB Stick Project replacement. Ron Roy, Shelby Burchett, working on a proposal for the next meeting.

**\*\*\*\*\* New Business \*\*\*\*\***

None.

**\*\*\*\*\* Report of Accident and Sickness \*\*\*\*\***

It was reported that Greg Rahn, AESO, NW APDA President, was scheduled to undergo treatment for prostate cancer, and that he was very confident of a successful outcome, and a quick return to work.

**\*\*\*\*\* Good of the Association \*\*\*\*\***

None.

**\*\*\*\*\*Time and Date of the Next Meeting\*\*\*\*\***

Date and time was set for the NW Area 2015 Fall Meeting:

Eugene, OR

Hosted by EWEB

Dates TBD

**\*\*\*\*\* Announcements \*\*\*\*\***

Future planned meetings:

**2016 Spring**

Middletown, CA

Twin Pine Casino

Hosted by Calpine

**2016 Fall**

NSW, Australia

Hosted by Essential Energy

Date and Place TBD

The meeting was adjourned by Secretary David Bennett @ 13:33.

**REMEMBER TO ALWAYS**

**“Keep the light on and your feet up on the desk”**

Respectfully submitted  
Dave Bennett - APDA NW Area Secretary