

Minutes
Vineyard Power Board Meeting
January 10, 2017

Present: Paul Pimentel
Calling in: Ted Bayne, Mike Jacobs, Dan Seidman, Bill Lake,
Ann Berwick, Julia Bovey, Janet Foley Orosz
Non-Board: Erik Peckar (in office), Richard Andre (in office)
Absent: Ron Dagostino

1. Minutes for November meeting were approved.
2. Discussion of fundraising efforts. Richard reviewed fund raising totals for 2014-2016.
3. Moving our office. Current lease could possibly continue through the end of February. Have not found a new space. May work out of private homes until something emerges.
4. Contractual agreements with Vineyard Wind LLC (VW).
 - Richard reported on budgets relating to the (I) CBA/CE phase of our relationship with VW and also (II) VP's permitting efforts with BOEM and the state. The budget for Phase I has increased from 2016 and Phase 2 is a new budget item. This support also includes VP being reimbursed for establishing a project office. Erik is ramping up his hours towards full-time. Richard is increasing his hours also. There was discussion of a new hire as well as interns (one in March and two more during the summer).
 - The question of PR and branding of Vineyard Wind was discussed. VP has been asked by VW to engage in an effort to define a logo and general image and messages for the wind farm in the public's mind and the mind of government folk. We have hired a local marketing firm Blue Rock to for design and web site work.
5. Discussion of board members paid vs volunteer work. By-laws require total transparency regarding paid work.
6. Mike reported on the storage initiative required by the energy legislation enacted last August. *Eversource* has indicated that it may replace the Vineyard's diesel generators with a battery array to provide security for the island but also make money on regulation.

7. An April Annual Meeting was suggested. Perhaps Periscope (see link) to broadcast the meeting to members:

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/periscope-live-video-streaming/id972909677?mt=8>

The meeting adjourned at 12:10pm. Next meeting is February 7th at 10:30am.

Future meetings beyond today's: 3/7, 4/4, 5/9.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Bayne

Mike's emailed agenda:

Good friends and board members,
VP meeting Tuesday (tomorrow) 10:30 should be on your calendars.

Agenda

- 1- Approve minutes November meeting
- 2- quick summary of fundraising results
- 3- New office - is there news?
- 4 -Status of contract with Vineyard Wind
- 5- Volunteer Board members and hired work
 - Board members volunteer expectations
 - Board members paid to work

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