

VCEA CAC Agenda Outline Details – April 9, 2018

1. Report on March 21 Board Meeting: Staff Report
 - Review board decisions vs. CAC recommendations
2. Outreach Update: Staff/CAC Task Group Report
 - General
 - NEM
3. Committee Process: Chair/Co-Chair Report on Meeting with IGM and Directors (attached)
 - Communicating CAC outcomes to the board
 - Recommendation: Monthly report to IGM and Board for inclusion in board package
 - Recommendation: Staff assume responsibility for CAC minutes in long term
 - Leg/Reg Scope
 - Long term view
 - Committee Member Terms:
 - Recommendation:
 - Members: Three-year term limit, no limit on re-appointments
 - Chair and Co-chair: Annual election
 - Task Groups:
 - Recommendation: Review status and future needs
4. CAC IRP Workshop: Staff Report¹
 - Purpose
 - General Recommendation:
 - Comply with CPUC requirements consistent with Board Direction
 - Define long term IRP process having specific integration goals, i.e.
 - Procurement plan consistent with local usage and production trends and forecasts
 - Local resource development and resilience progress consistent with member jurisdiction goals and initiatives, e.g. electrification, decarbonization, and micro-grids
 - Dovetail with City/County CAAPs
 - ID possible VCEA technical support of City/County Engagement with PG&E
 - Agenda
 - General Recommendation:
 - SMUD Workplan
 - Roadmap for post-launch planning and analysis

¹ Staff recommendations should refer to Chair/Co-Chair Recommendations and incorporate them if appropriate

April 2, 2018

To: VCEA CAC

From: Gerry Braun and Christine Shewmaker

Subject: Report on VCEA CAC Process Coordination Meeting, March 26, 2018

Attendees: Braun, Frerichs, Sears, Shewmaker, Stallard

Mr. Braun introduced the meeting, referring to the CAC's report to the VCEA Board at its March 21 meeting, Attachment 1. He suggested a meeting purpose, i.e. to review CAC experience to date and determine any changes in the board's original charge to the CAC (Attachment 2) that might be appropriate as VCEA transition from launch operations to serving customers. Ms. Shewmaker provided copies of Attachments 1 and 2 plus the vision statement approved in November, Attachment 3. Mr. Braun suggested a discussion to resolve:

- 1) whether there will be a need for an advisory committee in the post-launch period,
- 2) how the committee's work could proceed in the future, alongside but not totally dependent on staff, SMUD and consultants, and
- 3) depending on answers to 1) and 2), whether the CAC should suggest changes in its charge and/or committee member qualifications.

Each meeting participant responded to the question: What CAC contributions to date should be emphasized/deemphasized in the future?

Director Stallard suggested increased emphasis on programs and on the possibility of CAC engagement in reviewing and critiquing decisions and progress vs. (as currently) providing input to pending board decisions. He expressed interest in programs that might assist customers with energy related retrofits. In response to concerns about the CAC's reporting mechanisms, he suggested that a brief written report be included in each board agenda package. (In exchange for the CAC providing the summary for the board packet, the long-term goal is for staff to do the minutes.)

Director Frerichs emphasized his interest in CAC support of VCEA's legislative and regulatory engagement and rate-setting and the need for balance between VCEA's reliance on Cal CCA and its own leg/reg interests and capacity. He referred to conversations with other CCAs regarding citizen advisory committees and suggested getting input from statewide CCA organizations on the topic. He expressed a strong desire for diversity in committee member, e.g. age, gender, and expertise. He noted interest being expressed by jurisdictions that might want to consider VCEA service and the value of an advisory process in that context.

IGM Sears expressed appreciation for the CAC's work and interest in a continuing useful/productive advisory role that might include operations review and how best to use the consulting/vendor resources

available to VCEA. He mentioned the longer-term IRP process as a possible focus for the CAC as well as the opportunity to evaluate the applicability of on-going SMUD programs to VCEA

Advisor Shewmaker referred to VCEA's vision statement, noting a need to expand the CAC's focus beyond the initial charge. She favors CAC engagement in VCEA's IRP process, especially regarding its recognition and response to VCEA's longer term vision. Specifically, she noted the need for balance between advisory attention to both near and longer-term issues and between supply side and demand side issues. She noted the opportunity to map the VCEA vision back to the initial IRP to determine gaps between the initial IRP and the longer-term vision. She brought up the leg/reg charge and discussed the need for having the subcommittee and committee look at items not covered by CalCCA. Directors Frerichs and Stallard seemed open to both the subcommittee and committee considering some (say 2 or 3) items not covered by CalCCA. This applied to both leg and reg.

Advisor Braun reflected on the board's decisions to date, noting that they seem consistent with launch phase priorities, but that some launch phase decisions may need to be revisited in the context of longer term customer facing IRP issues. He noted the need to align VCEA's future work to the extent possible in support of member jurisdiction interests in energy resilience and decarbonization. He noted that SMUD's expertise could perhaps be brought into play in support of the member jurisdictions, for example in support of local micro-grid development and coordination with PG&E to remove barriers to local zero carbon resource development.

The meeting concluded with a brief discussion of committee administration, including member terms and recruitment. The CAC now has one vacancy and indications that another member has had conflicts with recent meetings. Board and staff are looking to the CAC to provide recommendations to stabilize CAC membership and recruit appropriate replacements for members who do not wish to continue beyond the launch phase.

Attachment 1

CAC Update

- Board/Staff/CAC Check-in
 - Launch/Operations Transition
 - Revisit
 - Focus
 - Charge
 - Member Terms
- CAC Support of IRP Development
 - Workshop
 - Possible Coordination Goals:
 - Dovetail with City/County CAAPs
 - ID possible VCEA technical support of City/County Engagement with PG&E

Attachment 2

VCEA Community Advisory Committee Charge

December 14, 2017

1. Advise the VCEA Board of Directors on VCEA's general policy and operational objectives, including portfolio mix and objectives, as well as technical, market, program and policy areas;
 2. Collaborate with VCEA staff and consultants with community outreach to and liaison with member communities;
 3. Provide a public forum to inform, advise and consult through community discussions on energy related issues and a wide variety of strategies to reduce carbon emissions;
 4. Collaborate with VCEA staff with monitoring legislative and regulatory activities related to Community Choice Energy issues.
- Launch Phase Task Groups:
1. Energy. CAC energy experts include Beck, Braun, Flynn, Kristov, Springer. An energy experts sub-group (Braun, Kristov, Springer) reviewed staff recommendations as to initial power mix, organization and operating reserve.
 2. Outreach. Task Group: Aulman (Chair), Baird, Hunter
 3. Public Forum. Task Group: TBD
 4. Legislative and Regulatory: Hunter (Chair), Flynn, Kristov, Shewmaker. Interim task group (Hunter, Kristov, Shewmaker) developed a draft process for CAC and board consideration.