Minutes Clean Energy Development Board Quarterly Meeting July 18, 2018

In Attendance (Meeting held at Public Service Department, 112 State Street, Montpelier, VT):

Board Members:	Attending	Absent
Jared Duval (JD) Co-Chair	X	
David Farnsworth (DF)		X
Ken Jones (KJ)	X	
Janice St. Onge (JS)	X	
Sam Swanson (SS) Co-Chair	X	
Johanna Miller (JM)	X	
Gaye Symington (GS)		X

State Employees:

Andrew Perchlik (**AP**), Fund Manager, Clean Energy Development Fund, Public Service Department (PSD).

Members of the Public: None

Meeting brought to order at 1:07 with Co-chair Sam Swanson presiding.

- I. **Agenda**. The draft agenda as presented by **AP** was discussed. **JS** questioned why the wood emission discussion was not on the agenda as agreed to at the Board's last meeting. **AP** explained that without Gaye Symington attending today's meeting, given her interest in the issue, and the stove change-out program being postponed, he and Sam Swanson had decided that it was better to move the emission discussion to the 9/19/18 Board meeting. **JM** asked if as part of the Fund Manager's report there could be information provided on the future of the CEDF. That addition was agreed to and the agenda was approved.
- II. **Minutes**. The minutes of 6/27/18 had been presented to the Board via email prior to the meeting. **JD** requested that the wording of his motion on pg. 2 III. c. i. be corrected to say that CEDF funds couldn't be used to install any type of fossil fuel heating system, and not just stoves as the draft minutes said. **KJ** moved to accept the minutes as presented with JD's edit. **JD** seconded the motion and the motion passed 4-0-1, with **JM** abstaining since she was not at the meeting.

III. Fund Manager's Report

AP provided an overview of the fiscal year (FY) 2018 final financial report, and gave an overview of CEDF current programs and outstanding grants.

IV. PSD proposed Budget for Fiscal Year (FY19) 2019

There was a short discussion on the budget with **AP** highlighting the few minor changes made since the last version that the Board reviewed at their last meeting. **JD** moved to accept the FY19 budget as presented with the condition that public comments be solicited on a plan narrative and the budget and that any comment received be presented to the Board at their September 19, 2018 meeting. **SS** seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

V. Next Meeting

- **a**. The Board members discussed having a public hearing to discuss future of CEDF as part of the Sept.19 meeting or to have a public hearing at the Renewable Energy Vermont conference on October 18 or 19th.
- b. The Board members discussed how CEDF needs to address the wood emissions issue and develop a credible perspective on the health and carbon issues of wood combustion in Vermont. Board members expressed the need for a discussion with experts, on wood combustion emissions as well as the harvesting and active forest management that they see as necessary components of wood energy being considered renewable and leading to a reduction in CO2 emissions. The Board agreed that at their next meeting, September 19th, they would schedule an extra hour for the wood energy discussion.

-- With no objection the meeting was adjourned by SS at 3:05 –

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