

TO: Biomass Research and Development Board Members
SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes
TIME: 10:00 am - 12:00 am, Wednesday, September 12, 2012
LOCATION: DOE Forrestal Building, Room 4A-104

Welcome/Initial Business

Interagency Working Group (IWG) Presentations to the Board

IWG Co-chairs provided an overview of FY2012 accomplishments and FY2013 Work Plans.

- **Feedstock Production-Genetic Improvement** - *Cathy Ronning, DOE*
- **Feedstock Production and Management** - *Norm Widman, USDA*
- **Feedstock Logistics** - *John Ferrell, DOE*
- **Conversion** - *Leslie Pezzullo, DOE*
- **Transport and Distribution Infrastructure** - *Stephen Costa, DOT*
- **Algae** - *Mark Segal, EPA*
- **New IWGs: Analysis and Biofuel Laws and Regulations** - *Alicia Lindauer, DOE*

BOARD APPROVAL OF FY13 WORK PLANS

- The Board voted to conditionally approve the FY2013 IWG Work Plans, pending consideration and addition of activities related to bioproducts as appropriate. Final work plans will be presented at the December 2012 Board Meeting.

BOARD APPROVAL OF CREATION OF NEW WORKING GROUPS

- The Board voted to approve the formation of an Analysis IWG. The Biofuel Laws and Regulations IWG was not approved at this time.

“BEYOND LIQUID TRANSPORTATION BIOFUELS” DISCUSSION

- *Co-chair Tonsager and Co-Chair Danielson* led a brief discussion of this topic.

September 12 Meeting Attendees

Biomass Research and Development Board Attending Members

- Dallas Tonsager, Under Secretary for Rural Development, USDA, co-chair
- David Danielson, Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, DOE, co-chair
- Cathy Woteki, Under Secretary, REE-USDA
- Sharlene Weatherwax, Associate Director BER, DOE

Representatives Attending for Members

- Alan Hecht, Director of Sustainability, EPA
- Robert Czincila, Senior Advisor, DOT

Board Operations Committee Members

- Daniel Cassidy, Senior Advisor, REE-USDA
- John Ferrell, Feedstock Platform Lead, Biomass Program, DOE
- Todd Campbell, Alternative Energy Advisor, RD-USDA
- Donna Perla, Senior Advisor, ORD-EPA
- Robert Boyd, Associate Director, DOD
- George Antos, Program Director, NSF
- Joe Graber, Program Manager, SC-BER

Additional Attendees

DOE

- Alicia Lindauer, Board and Operations Committee Liaison, Biomass Program
- Joyce Yang, Biomass Program
- Daniel Fishman, Biomass Program
- Natalie Kempkey, Biomass Program
- Catherine Ronning, Office of Biological and Environmental Research
- Leslie Pezzullo, Biomass Program

USDA

- Sarah Bittleman, Senior Advisor to Secretary Vilsack
- Norman Widman, Natural Resources Conservation Service

EPA

- Mark Segal, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention

DOT

- Shawn Johnson, Research and Innovative Technology Administration
- Stephen Costa, Research and Innovative Technology Administration, Volpe Center