

1. Welcome, Call to Order

Michele Beck, Member Advisory Committee (MAC) Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m. MT on March 12, 2024. A quorum was present to conduct business. A list of attendees is attached as Exhibit A.

2. Review WECC Antitrust Policy

Brittany Huggins, Assistant Corporate Secretary, read aloud the WECC Antitrust Policy statement. The meeting agenda included a link to the posted policy.

3. Approve Agenda

Ms. Beck introduced the proposed meeting agenda.

On a motion by Dana Cabbell, the MAC approved the agenda.

4. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Ms. Beck introduced the minutes from the meeting on February 7, 2024.

On a motion by Chris Parker, the MAC approved the minutes from February 7, 2024.

5. Review Previous Action Items

Ms. Huggins reviewed previous action items.

6. MAC Chair Remarks

Ms. Beck thanked the committee members for their attendance and commented that she is looking forward to the meeting's planned discussion items.

7. Executive Remarks

Melanie Frye, President and CEO, remarked on the draft 2025 Business Plan and Budget (BP&B) and how the budget and assessments are being looked at separately. Ms. Frye closed by summarizing the potential to use the Peak donation dollars on the WestTEC project and responded to questions on how the project drives toward WECC's mission. Ms. Frye offered to arrange for Sarah Edmonds, Western Power Pool CEO and WestTEC sponsor, to present at a future MAC or MAC Budget Subcommittee (MBS) meeting.

8. Technical Session Discussion

The committee discussed the technical session on Reliability and Security Oversight, held before this meeting. Discussion topics included risk monitoring, tools and controls across the industry, and improvement of reliability through a risk-based approach. The committee was encouraged to attend the Enforcement Fundamentals Training being held on March 25, 2024.

9. Reliability Risk Priorities

The MAC discussed the Reliability Risk Priorities (RRP) Workshop held on February 29, 2024. Discussion included the Reliability Risk Committee (RRC) work on a risk register, and it being done so well that there was not much more to discuss on the RRP work. The committee commended the RRC for putting together a comprehensive risk list. The MAC commented that the RRC and RRP work draw from different audiences, and that better and early collaboration might result in a more effective RRP workshop. The discussion closed with considerations on what the MAC's input should be to the RRP work, support for aligning information from the RRC and RRP processes, having risk organized in categories like the RRC, and how to distribute the risk register.

10. MAC Board Effectiveness Survey

Duncan Brown presented an updated Board Effectiveness Survey.

On a motion by Duncan Brown, the MAC approved the following resolution, with one abstention:

Resolved, that the Member Advisory Committee (MAC), approves the updated MAC Board Effectiveness Survey at the meeting of the MAC on March 12, 2024, as presented and attached.

More information is attached as [Exhibit B](#).

11. Nominating Committee Update

Fred Heutte provided an update on the Nominating Committee (NC) activities:

On a motion by Fred Heutte, the MAC unanimously approved the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Member Advisory Committee (MAC), acting on the recommendation of the Nominating Committee (NC), at the meeting of the MAC on March 12, 2024, approves 2025 Director compensation as follows:

- Annual Director retainer be increased by 4.72% from \$102,655 to \$107,500;
- Annual WECC Board Chair premium remains at \$25,000; and



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- Annual premia for WECC Board Vice Chair and WECC Board Committee Chairs be increased from \$7,500 to \$10,000.

12. MAC Communications

Ms. Beck informed the MAC that a survey on MAC communications is forthcoming, and this will be a topic for a future MAC agenda.

13. Work Group and Liaisons Reports

Reports were provided on the following:

- a. Joint Guidance Committee (JGC), no update was provided;
- b. MBS, Dana Cabbell, who provided an update on MBS meetings and thanked WECC staff for their collaboration.
- c. RRC, Fred Heutte, who provided an update on RRC activities;
- d. Reliability Risk Committee (RAC), Grace Anderson, reported on RRC work.
- e. Resource Adequacy Advisory Group (RAAG), Brian Theaker noted that he was now serving as the MAC liaison to the RAAG but had not yet attended any meetings and so no update was provided.

14. Public Comment

No comments were made.

15. Roundtable

No roundtable items were brought forward.

16. Review New Action Items

- Discuss with MBS chair whether to invite Sarah Edmonds to a future MAC or MBS meeting.
 - Assigned To: Michele Beck and Dana Cabbell
 - Due Date: April 17, 2024
- Distribute the Risk Report to the MAC.
 - Assigned To: Brittany Huggins
 - Due Date: March 25, 2024

17. Upcoming Meetings

April 17, 2024..... Virtual



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May 22, 2024..... Virtual

June 11, 2024..... Salt Lake City, Utah

18. Adjourn

Ms. Beck adjourned the meeting without objection at 4:24 p.m.



Exhibit A: Attendance List

Members in Attendance

Jonathan Aust..... Class 1
Grace Anderson (virtual)..... Class 5
Michele Beck..... Vice Chair
Duncan Brown (virtual)..... Class 3
Dana Cabbell Class 1
Dale Dunckel Class 2
Richard Ferreira Class 2
Fred Heutte (virtual) Class 4
Linda Jacobson-Quinn Chair
Patrick O’Connell (virtual)..... Class 5
Sophie Hayes..... Class 4
Chris Parker Class 5
Brian Theaker Class 3
Evan Valeriote International
Matt Weber Class 1

Members not in Attendance

Carrie Simpson..... Class 3
Ernesto Olivas International



Exhibit B: MAC Board Effectiveness Survey

Background

The MAC conducts a biennial survey of Board performance, with the last survey completed in September 2023. Based on the 2023 survey participation and results, the MAC proposed improvements to the format, which include adding a comment section after each question, requiring comments on any score three or less, and to have an overall comment section. The MAC also asked that year-over-year results be included from now on. The survey format is shown below:

MAC Board Effectiveness Survey

For questions 1 through 5, rate on the following scale: strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, strongly disagree, uncertain/not applicable. Comments on all questions are recommended but are required for a response of 3 or below.

1. WECC's mission is "to effectively and efficiently mitigate risks to the reliability and security of the Western Interconnection's bulk power system?"

- a. Do the members of the Board have appropriate skills, knowledge, and abilities to fulfill its duties and oversee this mission?

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- b. Are Board meetings focused on appropriate issues to carry out this mission?

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Comments:

2. Are Board decisions consistently achieved through an open and transparent process?



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Comments:

3. Does the Board appropriately interact with the MAC in the following ways?

- a. Request input on important issues affecting WECC and the Western Interconnection.

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- b. Appropriately consider and incorporate input.

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Comments:

4. Does the Board appropriately consider and incorporate input from the following key entities in making its decisions?

- a. Standing Committee

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- b. WIRAB



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c. Staff

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Comments:

5. Is the Board effective at monitoring each of the following?

a. Standards development

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b. Compliance monitoring and enforcement

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c. Risk

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Comments:



6. Please provide any overall comments or thoughts that are not captured in the above questions.

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