

CLEAN ENERGY ADVISORY BOARD

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Friday, October 31, 2025
11:00 am – 12:30 pm
VIRTUAL

Call to Order

Thomas Turner, Board Chair, called meeting to order at 11:04 AM.

Roll Call

Present: Taylor Brown, Sam Brumberg, Director Glenn Davis, Palash Sagakar, Kwasi Fraser, Philip Cunningham, Thomas Turner, Dana Wiggins, Will Cleveland

Not present: Meade Browder, Douglas Lamb, Katherine Bond, Ronald Howell, Taylor Williams,
Virginia Energy Staff: Callie Houghland, Vince Maiden, Aaron Berryhill, Bettina Bergoo, Ken Jurman

Overview of Clean Energy Advisory Board Code Language Recommendations

In response to last meeting's motion, Virginia Energy staff prepared recommendations to broaden the statutory mission of the Clean Energy Advisory Board. Director Davis briefly presented the first draft of Code recommendations to the Board. The recommendations included: broadening the Board's purpose to include promoting and supporting the deployment of solar energy and energy storage in the Commonwealth and advising the Director on other clean energy matters; reducing the membership from 17 to 9 members through attrition; updating the Powers and duties to reflect the updated purpose; and adding a sunset provision.

Discussion of Clean Energy Advisory Board Code Language Recommendations

The Board discussed the code language recommendations. Members questioned how attrition would work, considering many of the current members have already passed their Board term. Members also discussed the original intent of the Board and how to ensure including low-income households in the clean energy transition is still a priority of the Board. Members also discussed broadening the Board further from the original intent of focusing on low-income solar deployment. It was noted that Virginia already has boards for other clean energy technologies, such as Nuclear and Offshore Wind. Director Davis mentioned taking the feedback into consideration and bringing additional recommendations in the following meeting. Director Davis also mentioned waiting to reach out to bill sponsors, such as Senator Aird, until the Board has voted on language. The Chair proposed tabling a vote on the recommendations until the next in-person meeting.

Request for Council

The Chair requested that Board Counsel be present for meetings when possible.

Review Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion by Phil Cunningham to approve October 15, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Sam Brumberg. All voted in favor and motion passed.

Board Next Steps

The Board plans to meet in-person within a few weeks, likely November 18, to review, discuss, and vote on proposed legislative changes. Virginia Energy staff will publish a meeting time on Town Hall when the time and location are finalized.

Public Comment Period

No comments provided.

Meeting Adjourned 11:55 pm