

MEETING MINUTES
Douglas County School District
Rock Canyon High School

MAY 6, 2004

Present

Aurora-Mike Rapone & Roger Jaeger, Cherry Creek-Richard Collier, Denver Public Schools- Larry Vair, Douglas County-Bill Chambers & Wayne Blazek, Jeffco-Jim Faes, Tom MacDonnell & Joe DeMers, Colorado Springs District 11-Thomas Fernandez, Adams 12-Sam Crispin & Jack Dempsey, Poudre-Stu Reeve, EPA-Patty Crow, OEM&C/Rebuild CO-Peter D'Antonio, Retired Member-Doug Stroup

Welcome/Minutes

Bill Chambers, CASDEM Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting. Bill Chambers distributed the meeting minutes from March 4, 2003. The meeting minutes were approved. The current CASDEM membership list was distributed and updated.

EPA

Patty Crow distributed packets and discussed an offer from the EPA to assist/support CASDEM members with the Energy Star Benchmarking tool. Patty explained that schools across the nation are the number one sector using this tool. The EPA is offering CASDEM members with more than 10 buildings direct access to the CADIMUS Group (EPA contractor supporting Energy Star's Benchmarking tool) to help them with Benchmarking their buildings. Interested school districts can work through CASDEM to access training and support from the EPA. School districts with less than 10 buildings will be able to work directly through Patty/EPA. The EPA will have tool kits available for rural schools by the end of this summer. School districts that are willing to sign up as a permanent partner with the EPA will have continued access to these services. There will be training sessions scheduled in the month of July for interested school districts. Look for more details and timelines soon.

OEM&C/Rebuild CO Update

Peter D'Antonio distributed an updated handout on OEM&C services provided, current projects, and personnel assignments. Peter or John Canfield from the OEM&C will attend all future CASDEM meetings. The first of a series of "TECH 101" workshops is scheduled in Colorado Springs in the month of July. More details are coming. Peter gave us an update of his work with rural school districts. Peter collected "energy tip" sheets from the CASDEM group. Any one else with "energy tip" sheets is encouraged to send them to Peter. Peter announced that the Colorado Energy Science Center is adding more curriculum for schools next year.

Douglas County DDC Controls

HVAC controls staff at Douglas County presented their DDC initiative to upgrade systems and specifications. The presentation included an overview of their new technical specifications and the interview process to update and standardize their DDC control systems. If you are interested in more information contact Bill Chambers at Douglas County.

Transport Gas Contracts

Rhett Shumway of Oneok gave a presentation regarding wholesale/Transport Gas contracts. Rhett did a great job of helping us all understand the fine details of gas contracts and gave us some helpful hints regarding common gas contract language and practices.

Election of Vice-Chair for 2004-2005

A special thanks to Jack Dempsey from Adams 12 who has provided leadership to our CASDEM group over the years. Jack's dynamic influence has helped Colorado energy management evolve into a national model for success. Jack announced his retirement from Adams 12 effective in late June 2004. If you get a chance drop Jack a line in the next couple of months.

Bill Chambers has done an excellent job of leading our CASDEM group over the past year. We all owe a great deal to Bill for his continued leadership and commitment to Colorado energy conservation and schools over the years. Bill will now be our Past-Chair Person for the 2004-2005 school year. Sam Crispin from Adams 12 was unanimously and enthusiastically voted to serve as Vice-Chair Person for next year. Stu Reeve from Poudre School District will now serve and the Chair Person for next year.

General Discussion/Networking/Miscellaneous

We discussed a plan to meet this summer regarding the CASBO/CASDEM conference in September 2004. Stu will schedule a meeting with our team soon. If your interested in helping us out let Stu know.

Stu Reeve shared the Colorado Statute for State-Owned Facilities (book 7 of the 2001 Colorado Revised Statutes for Education-State Government 24-82-602), which requires all state-owned buildings to perform at fifty-five thousand Btu/sq.ft. for heating, ventilation, cooling, and lighting loads. This statute has been in effect since July 1, 1981. Seems like a good goal for schools too. Stu will send this out to the CASDEM e-mail list also.

Bill gave several of us a tour of the recently completed Rock Canyon High School. Great facility!

Next Meeting

September 2004, in collaboration with the fall CASBO conference Location, date, and time to be announced