



## **COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT ENERGY MANAGERS**

### **MEETING LOCATION - ADAMS 12 SCHOOL DISTRICT**

### **MAY 4, 2006 MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Sam Crispin, Chairman of CASDEM.

Introductions were made and members and guests were given a sign-in sheet to confirm their contact information.

The agenda for this meeting was discussed.

A presentation was made by Jeff Scott from Solsource about the benefits of photovoltaic rooftop systems that convert sunlight into electricity on school buildings. Examples of photovoltaic systems include Fossil Ridge High School at Poudre School District in Fort Collins. XCEL Energy rebates and federal tax credits that are available can reduce the cost of these systems in order for them to be a viable option when considering their potential applications at school sites.

Information on photovoltaic systems including costs and types of applications can be obtained at: [www.solsourceinc.com](http://www.solsourceinc.com) or [www.solarbuzz.com](http://www.solarbuzz.com) or [www.finesolar.com](http://www.finesolar.com)

The Fossil Ridge site will be featured at the Rocky Mountain High Performance Schools Conference in Fort Collins on July 27 and 28, 2006 at Fossil Ridge High School. Information on how to register for this conference can be accessed at: [www.conference@psdschools.org](http://www.conference@psdschools.org)

The minutes for the April 5, 2006 meeting were handed out and reviewed. A motion was made by Stu Reeve and seconded by Bill Chambers to approve the minutes. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

Topics for the CASBO Fall Conference were discussed and it was thought that an open forum on energy issues and developing energy budgets would be possible topics for a break-out session. Sam Crispin will finalize this with the CASBO group.

Over lunch, a discussion took place about involving more CASDEM members in the regular meetings and perhaps addressing some more topics to generate more attendance.

It was suggested by Bill Chambers to hold a meeting on Thursday, July 20 to discuss a strategic direction for CASDEM.

At that time, future meeting times and agendas would be discussed, with special efforts on inviting members to meetings and improving attendance.

Melanie Gavin of XCEL Energy spoke about natural gas rates and the current electric rate case and how school districts could be affected. Her contact e-mail for questions is: [www.melanie.gavin@xcelenergy.com](mailto:www.melanie.gavin@xcelenergy.com)

Peter D' Antonio of the Governor's Office of Energy Management and Conservation reviewed with the group a new series of trainings being offered by his office to provide a "toolkit" of resources to enable energy managers to have better information about viable options to consider when planning new school buildings or renovating school buildings.

Information on trainings being offered is available at [www.colorado.gov/rebuildco](http://www.colorado.gov/rebuildco)

Nominations were accepted from the group for Vice-Chair for the 06-07 school year. Dan Huenneke nominated Chuck Finleon of St. Vrain School District. Chuck accepted the nomination and was voted in with applause as the new Vice-Chair for CASDEM.

The next CASDEM meeting will be hosted by Jefferson County School District at a location to be announced on Thursday, July 20, 2006.

The agenda and directions will be distributed and posted on CASDEM website as soon as it is available.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Dan Huenneke, Vice Chairman for review and approval at next CASDEM Meeting-on July 20, 2006 at Jefferson County School District.

In attendance:

Sam Crispin, Adams 12 Five Star Schools  
Scott Weber, Adams 12 Five Star Schools  
Larry Valdez, Adams 12 Five Star Schools  
Stu Reeve, Poudre School District  
Roger Jaeger, Aurora Public Schools  
Kirk Madsen, Littleton Public Schools  
John Kreutzer, Mapleton Public Schools  
Dan Huenneke, Summit School District RE-1  
Bill Chambers, Douglas County School District  
Tom MacDonnell, Jefferson County Public Schools  
Jim Faes, Jefferson County Public Schools  
Chuck Finleon, St. Vrain Valley Schools  
Peter D' Antonio, Governor's Office of Energy Mgmt. & Conservation  
Melanie Gavin, School District Acct. Executive, XCEL Energy