

**Low-Income Energy Advisory Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, December 12, 2007**

**Legislative Office Building  
Room 1B  
Hartford, CT 06120**

**10:00 a.m. – Noon**

- I. Welcome
- II. Approval of November Minutes
- III. Chairman's Report
- IV. Follow-Up on Subcommittee Recommendations
- V. DSS Report  
Update on Current Energy Programs
- VI. Public Comments

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Attendees: Claudette Beaulieu, Joanne Balaschak, Shirley Bergert, Marilyn Hayes for John Betkoski, Paula Claydon, John Dobos, James Gatling, Pamela Giannini, Tom Murphy for Cheryl Duey, Marla Hinz, Edith Karsky, James McNally, Lindsay Parke, Carlene Taylor, David Thomas, Ray Wilson, Walter Wisnefsky, Patricia Wrice,

Agenda Item	Action
Welcome	The meeting was convened at 10:10 a.m.
Approval of October Minutes	The October 2007 minutes will reflect the following changes: a) the last bullet under the subcommittee recommendations will include “the reference to agencies must specifically <u>identify</u> community action agencies” b) the second bullet under DSS Report will add a comma to the number of application denied – 2,034, and c) the last bullet under DSS Report will clarify the new method of payment for oil dealers as (1) New Haven Harbor average plus 31 cents, and (2) the purchase at retail price with a discount of 35 cents. The motion to approve minutes was made by Claudette Beaulieu and seconded by Walter Wisnefsky. The minutes were approved as amended on a voice vote.
Chairman’s Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Funding Request to DPUC</li> <li>• LIEAB Recommendations and Legislative Proposals</li></ul>	<p>The Chair reviewed the Board’s request for funding from DPUC to hire a consultant to assist in the development of program recommendations. The request was submitted to DPUC on September 13, 2007. The Chair will keep the board informed on the status of the request.</p> <p>The Chair reviewed the timeframes for submission of the LIEAB recommendations and Legislative Proposals. Presentation to legislative committee co-chairs will take place in November and early December. Draft legislative language written in December and January and LIEAB testimony will occur in February.</p>
Funding Needs and Sources Subcommittee	The following recommendations were adopted by

<p>Recommendations</p>	<p>the Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Funding for Energy Assistance</li> <li>• Improvement for Energy Assistance Program</li> <li>• Below Bill Utility Payment Program</li> <li>• Expansion of Federal LIHEAP Funding</li> <li>• Pilot Coordination of Energy Assistance and Weatherization of Vulnerable Households Receiving Cash Assistance from DSS</li> </ul> <p>The following recommendations were tabled:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operation Fuel</li> <li>• Windfall Profits Tax on Electricity Generators</li> </ul>
<p>DSS Report</p>	<p>As of November 13, (CEAP, SAFA, CHAP) a total of 30,696 applications taken; 22,149 eligible; 4,292 denied; 4,255 pending certification and total crisis assistance -2,596.</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>The next meeting will be held on December 12 at 10:00 a.m. at the LOB.</p>