

Renewable Energy Advisory Council Agenda

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

9:30 a.m. – Noon

421 SW Oak St., Suite 300, Portland, OR 97204

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- 9:30** **Welcome, introductions, announcements** (*information*)
- Introductions and staff changes
 - Draft strategic plan feedback and next steps
 - October meeting schedule: no RAC on October 11. Instead, there will be a budget workshop with the board of directors and advisory councils on Wednesday, October 16 (details below). Also, there is a social hour for the board and advisory councils on Tuesday, October 15, 5:30-7:30 at the Independent.
- 9:45** **2020 action plans preview** (*info/discussion*)
- Staff will present overviews of draft action plans and concepts that will form the foundation of the 2020-21 budget for the renewable energy sector. More detail will be provided at the budget workshop on October 16.
- 10:15** **Incentives for small Community Solar projects** (*info/discussion*)
- The solar program will summarize feedback from the May RAC discussion on incentives for small Community Solar projects (<360 kW) and discuss budget considerations and next steps for developing appropriate Energy Trust incentives for select projects.
- 10:45** **Break**
- 11:00** **New performance measures on diversity, equity and inclusion** (*information*)
- Staff will present Energy Trust's new Oregon Public Utility Commission DEI performance measures adopted by the commission
- 11:20** **Board of Directors recruitment** (*info/discussion*)
- Director Debbie Kitchin, chair of the board's nominating committee, will present an overview of the current member composition of the board and host a discussion with council members on the skills, experience and perspectives the nominating committee should consider when recruiting for board members.
- 11:50** **Public comment**
- 12:00** **Adjourn**

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If you have comments on meeting notes, please alert David McClelland at
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Upcoming RAC meetings:

The RAC meeting scheduled for October 11 has been canceled.

Budget workshop: Wednesday, October 16, 2019, 9 am – Noon. Energy Trust's board of directors and three advisory councils are invited to a budget workshop, along with other stakeholders and the public. RAC, CAC and DAC members are strongly encouraged to attend this meeting. The workshop replaces a series of budget-related presentations and will ensure the CAC, RAC, DAC and board are receiving and commenting on the same information through the budget development process. More information on the workshop is forthcoming as we plan the agenda for that day. Please consider holding that time on your calendar as you would a RAC meeting.

November RAC: Wednesday, November 20, 2019, 9:30 am – Noon. This is the last meeting of the year.

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Alan Meyer

Alan Meyer, Salem, recently retired as director of energy management for Weyerhaeuser Company, a diversified forest products manufacturing company. In that role, he was responsible for coordinating energy management activities at numerous manufacturing facilities throughout North America. Prior to joining Weyerhaeuser, he was director of energy for Willamette Industries, holding similar responsibilities. He also worked for PacifiCorp as the Oregon large industrial accounts manager. He previously served on the board of directors of Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities, a nonprofit advocacy organization focused on energy policies. He has also served for more than 20 years on the City of Salem Morningside Neighborhood Association board. Joined Energy Trust Board of Directors September 2005, current Vice President, Chairs the Policy Committee.



Anne Haworth Root

Anne Haworth Root, Medford, is co-owner and general manager of EdenVale Winery and Eden Valley Orchards, a destination winery, historic pear orchard and events center in southeast Medford. A second tasting room called Enoteca is located in Ashland. An award-winning entrepreneur, she developed the concept and helped found the Oregon Wine and Farm Tour, an agritourism coalition of Southern Oregon wineries, historic farms and specialty food and cheese companies. Anne is a graduate of Southern Oregon University, where she was student body president and chair of the Oregon Student Lobby. She pursued postgraduate studies in the Master of Commerce program at Wollongong University in Australia. Joined Energy Trust Board of Directors December 2011, chairs the Audit Committee.



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Debbie Kitchin

Debbie Kitchin, Portland, is the co-owner of InterWorks LLC, a construction company engaged in commercial tenant improvement and renovation and residential remodeling services. InterWorks is an award-winning contractor specializing in sustainable building practices.

Prior to joining the family business in 1996, Debbie served as senior economist for the Northwest Power Planning Council (now the Northwest Power and Conservation Council) for 15 years and was a regional economist for the Bonneville Power Administration for three years. Debbie is chair of the Portland Business Alliance, president of the Central Eastside Industrial Council and a board member of the Portland Building Owners and Managers Association. She is a past president of the Portland Commercial Real Estate Women. Joined Energy Trust Board of Directors April 2004, chairs the Board Nomination Committee.



Elee Jenn

Elee Jenn, Newberg, is principal marketing and business development manager at Energy Performance Engineering LLC in Newberg. She helps building owners construct and maintain high-performance energy-efficient facilities through system commissioning and building control services. Many of Energy Performance Engineering's

clients are schools, colleges and governments, including Portland Community College in Newberg. An accredited Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design professional, Elee holds a Master of Science in analytical chemistry and a Bachelor of Science in chemistry. Joined Energy Trust Board of Directors October 2018.



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Eric Hayes

Eric Hayes, Beaverton, is the state organizing coordinator for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. He engages and organizes electrical workers to achieve better wages, pension, insurance and training. With 23 years at IBEW, Eric's multiple roles included recording secretary, vice president and president of Local 48. During this time, Eric served as a trustee of the Edison Pension Trust, Harrison Health Trust and the Apprenticeship Trust. He was also president of the Electrical Minority Workers Caucus Portland Chapter, which promotes minorities and women in IBEW. Joined Energy Trust Board of Directors October 2018.



Ernesto Fonseca

Dr. Ernesto Fonseca, Portland, is the Chief Executive Officer of Hacienda, an Oregon Community Development Corporation and Social Enterprise that advances the livability, health and economic progress of underserved communities in the Pacific Northwest. Ernesto has dedicated the last 16 years of his career to the development of high-quality, affordable housing and social services in Mexico and the United States. Ernesto brings ample experience in community development, housing and energy access from his time working with the Housing Authority of Maricopa County and the City of Avondale, and Arizona State University. Ernesto holds a Master of Science in Energy Performance and Climate Responsive Architecture, and a doctorate in Environmental Design and Planning from Arizona State University. Joined Energy Trust's Board of Directors March 2018.



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Henry Lorenzen

Henry Lorenzen, Pendleton, has a resume that spans from working as a partner at Corey, Byler, Rew, Lorenzen and Hojem law firm to running his family's 4,000-acre wheat farm. From 2002 to 2018, he served as member on the Northwest Power and Conservation Council, which develops a regional power plan and fish and wildlife program. He has also served on the Oregon State Board of Higher Education, Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission and Oregon Environmental Quality Commission, and on the boards of Oregon Public Broadcasting and the Oregon Historical Society. Henry's education includes a Juris Doctor from Lewis and Clark Law School, a Master of Business Administration from Harvard University and a Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering from Oregon State University. He is certified as a Professional Electrical Engineer. Joined Energy Trust's Board of Directors October 2018.



Janine Benner

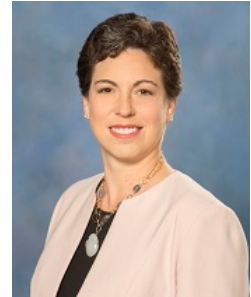
Janine Benner is the director of the Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE). Janine joined ODOE in 2017 as assistant director for planning and innovation. In this role, she lead the department's work on clean energy policy development and implementation of energy efficiency programs and services. Janine came to ODOE from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), where she was served as associate assistant secretary in the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, the largest government funder of clean energy research and development. Before that, she served as deputy assistant secretary in DOE's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs. Janine also spent 12 years working for Congressman Earl Blumenauer (D-OR), first as an energy and environmental policy advisor and then as deputy chief of staff. She grew up in Portland, OR and has a degree in history from Princeton University. Joined Energy Trust's Board of Directors April 2017.



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Letha Tawney

Letha Tawney, Portland, is one of three Oregon Public Utility Commissioners and was appointed by Governor Kate Brown in June 2018. Prior to this, Letha worked for the World Resources Institute as an expert on clean energy development and large customer buying strategies. As the Polsky Chair for Renewable Energy, she led the Institute's work on propelling innovation in business and regulatory models in the power sector. Now Letha represents Oregon on the [Electricity](#) and the [Critical Infrastructure](#) committees for the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners. She also serves on the Energy Imbalance Market Board of State Regulators, engaging closely on Western electricity market development. Letha holds a Master of Public Administration from the Harvard Kennedy School and a Bachelor of Science in business and computer science from George Fox University. Joined Energy Trust's Board of Directors October 2019.



Lindsey Hardy

Lindsey Hardy, Bend, is the project director of the Bend Energy Challenge, a program of The Environmental Center. The Bend Energy Challenge is competing for the Georgetown University Energy Prize, a national, two-year competition to reduce energy use. Most recently Lindsey was the outreach director at Sunlight Solar Energy. She sat on the Steering Committee of the High Desert Branch of the Cascadia Green Building Council for three years and planned Central Oregon's Green and Solar Tour. Previously as an AmeriCorps volunteer with the University of Oregon's Resource Assistance for Rural Environments, she oversaw the Solarize Pendleton campaign, helping neighborhoods benefit from efficiency of scale in residential solar installations. Lindsey graduated from Ithaca College with a Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies. Joined Energy Trust's Board of Directors May 2015, chairs the Program Evaluation Committee.



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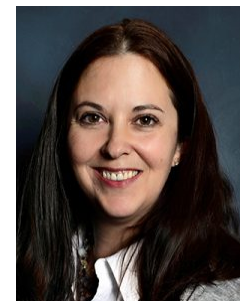
Mark Kendall

Mark Kendall, Salem, has more than 33 years of experience in energy management and renewable resource development in Oregon. Prior to founding his own consultancy, Kendall Energy, in 2009, he spent 19 years with the Oregon Department of Energy working in commercial and industrial energy management policy, including serving as the governor's appointee to the Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance board from 2001-2006. Before working for the state, he spent 11 years with the Eugene Water and Electric Board. He also served on the Oregon Low Carbon Fuel Standard Advisory Committee, and facilitated the 2009 Industrial Greenhouse Gas Reduction subcommittee of the Oregon Global Warming Commission. He received his bachelor's degree from Linfield College with an emphasis in communications and energy management, and his master's degree in organizational development from the Leadership Institute of Seattle City University. Joined Energy Trust's Board of Directors August 2012, current Secretary, chairs the Strategic Planning Committee.



Melissa Cribbins

Melissa Cribbins, Coos Bay, is a Coos County Commissioner and an attorney. Prior to her election in 2012, she worked for the Coquille Indian Tribe as in-house counsel for six years. Before Melissa became an attorney, she worked for the City of Spokane and Eugene Water and Electric Board in the field of water quality. She is a member of the Oregon State Bar and the Washington State Bar, and is active in many organizations both in Coos County and statewide. Melissa is a graduate of Portland State University and Gonzaga University. Joined Energy Trust Board of Directors February 2014, chairs the Compensation Committee.



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Roger Hamilton

Roger Hamilton, Eugene, recently retired as a consultant with Western Grid Group, an organization that promotes transmission access for renewable energy projects across the West. He also worked as a consultant with The Resource Innovation Group on climate change adaptation and mitigation. He has spent many years in public service as a Klamath County commissioner, an advisor on energy and watersheds to Governor John Kitzhaber and an Oregon Public Utility Commissioner. He previously served on the Oregon State Parks Commission, the National Association of Public Utility Commissioners and the board of directors of the Regulatory Assistance Project. Joined Energy Trust Board of Directors April 2008, current President.



Roland Risser

Roland Risser, Washington County, has extensive knowledge of residential, commercial and industrial energy efficiency program design, development and implementation, including low-income energy efficiency programs. He recently retired from the U.S. Department of Energy, where he was the director of the Building Technologies Office and then deputy assistant secretary of Renewable Power. His decades of energy experience include multiple leadership positions at Pacific Gas and Electric and serving on national boards for the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy and the Consortium for Energy Efficiency. Roland earned a Master of Science in biology from California Polytechnic State University, a Bachelor of Science in biology from the University of California at Irvine, and graduated from the University of California at Berkeley, Haas School of Business. Joined Energy Trust's Board of Directors October 2018.



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Susan Brodahl

Susan Brodahl, Portland, is a vice president in the Portland office of Heffernan Insurance Brokers as well as an owner of Heffernan Group. Heffernan Group has more than 400 employees, and is ranked in the top tier of all privately held brokerages in the country. Susan believes in a creative approach to insurance using a risk funding model. Her philosophy is “clients for life.” Susan is a frequent featured speaker at regional and national conventions as well as published in various trade and mainstream journals. She has been awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Painting and Decorating Contractors of America, and has an economics degree from Willamette University. Joined Energy Trust's Board of Directors February 2014, chairs the Finance Committee.

