### LEGISLATIVE-CITIZEN COMMISSION ON MINNESOTA RESOURCES

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### **MINUTES**

Wednesday, June 25, 2025 Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Location:** REMOTE: through electronic means (YouTube)

Members Present: Rita Albrecht, Michelle Beeman, Rep. Peter Fischer, Sen. Steve Green, Sen. Foung Hawj, Monica Hedstrom, Rep. Josh Heintzeman, Rep. Sydney Jordan, Shona Langseth, Rep. Leon Lillie, Sen. Jennifer McEwen, Seth Moore, Sen. Aric Putnam, Michael Reese, Sen. Torrey Westrom

Staff Present: B. Nash, M. Varien, M. Campana, D. Griffith, T. Dietrich, N. Fribley, L. Bigaouette

Members Excused: William Faber and Rep. Roger Skraba

**Members Absent:** 

Co-Chair: Rita Albrecht

Chair Rita Albrecht called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

#### 1. Roll call attendance

Chair Albrecht asked for a roll call. Diana Griffith took roll call for attendance. There were 13 members present at the time of roll call, and nine were needed for a quorum. Representatives Fischer and Jordan attended from locations on the Capitol complex.

Member	Attendance	Member	Attendance
Commissioner Albrecht	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Langseth	Yes (remote)
Commissioner Beeman	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Lillie - Rep	Yes (remote)
Commissioner Faber	Excused	Commissioner McEwen - Sen	Yes (remote)
Commissioner Fischer – Rep	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Moore	Yes (remote)
Commissioner Green – Sen	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Putnam – Sen	Yes (remote)
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	Commissioner Reese	Yes (remote)
Commissioner Hedstrom	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Skraba – Rep	Excused
Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Westrom – Sen	Absent
Commissioner Jordan - Rep	Yes (remote)		

#### 2. Members report potential conflicts of interest regarding today's business

Members reported the following conflicts of interest for 2026 proposals:

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Proposal					Members With
ID	First Name	Last Name	Project Title	Organization	Conflict of Interest
2026-149	Veluchamy	Chitraichamy	Ambient Alkaline Hydrolysis, an	U of MN, WCROC	Michael Reese
			Emergency Livestock Mortality		
			Disposal		
2026-168	Veluchamy	Chitraichamy	Integrating Biological-Carbon	U of MN, WCROC	Michael Reese
			Capture and Microalgae for		
			Sustainable Biofuel Production		_
2026-255	Kim	Melton	Red River Basin Soil Health Initiative	Red River Basin	Monica Hedstrom
				Commission	
2026-303	Veluchamy	Chitraichamy	Greenhouse Gas Mitigation in	U of MN, WCROC	Michael Reese
			Minnesota Livestock Farming		
2026-318	Tiffany	Wolf	United in Responding to CWD in	U of MN, College of	Monica Hedstrom
2022 202			Minnesota	Veterinary Medicine	
2026-329	Eric	Buchanan	Making Solar Work for Minnesota	U of MN, WCROC	Michael Reese
2026 220	Canal:	T- h	Dairy Farmers	LL of NANL College of Food	Mishaal Dagaa
2026-338	Soon Li	Teh	Evaluating Agrivoltaics on	U of MN, College of Food, Agricultural and Natural	Michael Reese
			Minnesota's Novel Cold-Hardy Table	Resource Sciences	
			Grapes	Resource sciences	
2026-396	Skip	Langer	Southeast Minnesota Groundwater	Olmsted County	Shona Langseth
			Protection and Soil Health Initiative		
2026-465	Kerry	Holmberg	Managing Climate using Inverse	U of MN, College of Food,	Monica Hedstrom
			Modeling: Central Sands Aquifer	Agricultural and Natural	
				Resource Sciences	
2026-472	Josh	Pennington	Assessing Recruitment Threats for	Department of Military	William Faber
			Imperiled Blanding's Turtles	Affairs	
2026-481	Isaac	Haagen	Resilient Dairy Calf Systems to	U of MN, College of Food,	Michael Reese
			Support Minnesota's Communities	Agricultural and Natural	
				Resource Sciences	

# 3. Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund 2026 Proposal Presentations (FY27) – see presentation schedule for Day 2 (subject to change)

Commissioner Hawj joined the meeting remotely.

Commissioner Westrom joined the meeting remotely.

See Attachment #1 for Presentation Schedule for June 25, 2025.

Members recessed at 11:30 a.m. and reconvened at 12:45 p.m.

# 4. Continuation of Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund 2026 Proposal Presentations (FY27) – see presentation schedule for Day 2 (subject to change)

See Attachment #1 for Presentation Schedule for June 25, 2025.

### 5. LCCMR other business

Director Nash explained that to comply with open meeting law, at least one member is required to be on the capitol complex during fully remote meetings. Chair Albrecht announced that Commissioner Fischer and Commissioner Jordan were attending from the capitol complex for the meeting.

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# 6. Public testimony

Written public testimony was provided to the members.

## 7. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

Signed by Senator Foung Hawj Minutes approved at LCCMR meeting on July 18, 2025