

COMMITTEE MINUTES for NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

Date: February 15, 2011

Place: Room 24

Convened: 2/15/2011
2:00 PM

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Adjourned: 2/15/2011
2:55 PM

Present: Senators Dearden-CH, Black-VC, Hahn-RM, Behn, Bolkcom, Hancock, Hogg, Kapucian,
Ragan, Schoenjahn, Seng, Sorenson

Absent: None

Excused: Senator Hamerlinck

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Senator Dearden. Attendance was taken. 12 present 1 excused (Hamerlinck) The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as distributed.

Senator Black presented the Sub Committee Reports on two Appointees to the Environmental Protection Commission. Dianna Bruemmer and John Glenn. The Committee recommended confirmation of both.

Senator Bolkcom presented the Sub Committee Reports on two Appointees. Dawn Carlson to Iowa Comprehensive Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Fund Board and Carol Balvans to Renewable Fuel Infrastructure Board. The Committee recommended confirmation of both.

Senator Dearden moved we accept both reports and move the Appointees to the En Bloc calendar in the Senate.

With Senator Black in the chair, Senator Dearden presented the Appointee Sub Committee Report on Roger Lande as DNR Director. They recommend confirmation. The Report was accepted and moved to the Individual calendar.

Dr Richard Cruse and Dr Eugene Takle of ISU gave a presentation on Iowa Climate Trend and Impacts on Agriculture and Watershed Management. Their research shows there are more extreme storms in recent years that are affecting changes in our temperatures and water quantity. Their advise is that the Legislature plan ahead and consider these conditions. Questions followed. The Committee thanked them for their presentation.

Seeing no future business, Senator Hancock moved we arise.

Senator Dick L. Dearden

Joanne Wengert, Committee Secretary