

# MEETING NOTES

## EAST TENNESSEE CLEAN FUELS COALITION 88<sup>th</sup> Stakeholders Meeting ~ September 10, 2009



Where: Banquet room at the Copper Cellar on Cumberland Avenue

When: Regular meeting - 11:00am-1:00pm

Lunch: Ordered from the CC's mini-menu.

Attendees: 15 people attended, X indicates new attendees

1. Melanie Hedlen, The Hagen Group X
2. Marilyn Skobick, Retired College Professor
3. Mark Penland, TN Department of Environment and Conservation
4. Douglas Benton, Free Energy 4 Tomorrow
5. Tim Haney, Tranquility Electric Vehicles
6. Joelle Brink, Biofuels Digest
7. Keri Brill, KUB
8. Jim Davis, Tetra Tech
9. Warren Nevad, MTAS
10. Scott Carron, ORNL
11. Evelyn Winther, PLS Energy
12. Mike Whedbee, METI
13. Emily DeVillers, AmeriCorps X
14. Wenny Ng, AmeriCorps X
15. Jonathan Overly, ETCFC

### MEETING CONTENT

- 1.) People started to arrive at 10:50am
- 2.) Meeting began at 11:15am
- 3.) Introductions
- 4.) Welcome Emily and Wenny
- 5.) Electric Vehicle Event at Market Square on Oct. 22
  - o KUB can help, Call Erin Burns with the city for insurance
- 6.) 11<sup>th</sup> Hour showing at UT on Sept. 9
- 7.) Going to try and get back to statewide quarterly newsletter
- 8.) No second round of stimulus money
  - o Places around U.S. got money for clean fleets, including 25 Clean Cities
  - o Got funding for 1-75 project
- 9.) Propane Gas Association
  - o Talking with to get event for people to drive vehicles
    - This or next year due to ass. Moving slowly
- 10.) Natural Gas Toolkit website
  - o Has gas calculator and other resources
- 11.) Biodiesel workshop 301
  - o 50 people attended
  - o Reviewed pictures and presentations
- 12.) Looked at new alternative fuel Nissan car pictures
- 13.) Switchgrass tour pictures from Monroe City
- 14.) Hoover, AL biodiesel fleet tour pictures
  - o City of Hoover makes and use B100
- 15.) Smoky Great National Park 75<sup>th</sup> Rededication Pictures
- 16.) TDI Fest Pictures from Joelle

### Reports and Discussion from Attendees

- 1.) Jim Davis: Old friend in Singapore started company to remove engines from regular cars and replacing them with electric. Government has already installed the fill-up stations and other infrastructure.
- 2.) Keri Brill: Won award for one of the Best 100 green Fleets
  - o V100 best fleets.com
  - o Solar event/tour on Oct. 3
  - o Solar roof on parking garage at airport
    - Should have one at Market Square garage
- 3.) Joelle Brink: Racing in Europe techniques
- 4.) Melanie Hedlen: Police cars in Hoover
- 5.) Mark Penland: Hoping TDEC will have a budget due to recession
- 6.) Mike Whedbee: Working on modern electric tractors
  - o One being developed in MO and made in MS
  - o retro mode.org
- 7.) Evelyn Winther: Solar energy event
- 8.) Douglas Benton: Vampire energy-reduces energy by programming all outlets to turn off with a switch
  - o Can save up to 55% in home, and 40% in a hotel
  - o Greenswitchteam.com
- 9.) Warren Nevad: Nov 17<sup>th</sup> next meeting in western TN

*Meeting notes taken by Emily DeVillers and Wenny Ng, written by Emily DeVillers.*

The next meeting will be held on October 8, 2009, 11am @ the Copper Cellar on Cumberland Ave.