

**MINUTES
MASSACHUSETTS CLEAN ENERGY TECHNOLOGY CENTER
BOARD MEETING**

January 22, 2026

Directors: Secretary Rebecca Tepper, EEA, Chair, represented by designee Undersecretary Michael Judge for the duration of the meeting
Secretary Eric Paley, EOED, represented by designee Undersecretary Zenobia Moochhala for part of the meeting
Mr. Robert Cohen, Designee of Secretary Lauren Jones, WFD
Mr. Bran Shim, Designee of Secretary Matthew Gorzkowicz, A&F
Mr. Ed O'Sullivan, MassHire North Shore Workforce Board
Commissioner Elizabeth Mahony, DOER (Remote)
Mr. Sven Karlsson, Previvor Edge (Remote)
Dr. Aisha Francis, Franklin Cummings Tech (Remote)
Mr. Tom Galvin, RESHydro (Remote)
Dr. John Cook, Springfield Technical Community College
Mr. Kola Akindele, Designee of Dr. Grace Wang, Worcester Polytechnic Institute (Remote)

Staff: Dr. Jennifer Le Blond, Interim CEO
Alexandra Zaltman, Chief of Staff
Brooke Barton, COO
Summer Zeh, Esq., General Counsel and Board Secretary
Jaclyn Leslie, CFO and Board Treasurer
Michelle Beadle, Senior Executive Assistant
Laurel Clark, Paralegal
Rahul Yarala, Executive Director
George Blagdon, Engineering Director
Erica Hines, Senior Director
Meg Howard, Senior Program Director
Edward Hsieh, Senior Program Director

Other Attendees: Martha Grover, Policy Advisor, EEA

A meeting of the Massachusetts Clean Energy Technology Center ("MassCEC") Board of Directors (the "Board") was held on January 22, 2026, in person and via remote video conference. All participants could hear and be heard by each other throughout the meeting.

Seeing a quorum, Undersecretary Michael Judge, serving as Board Chair for this meeting, called the meeting to order at 10:03 am.

I. Approval of Meeting Minutes of the November 20, 2025 Board Meeting

As the first order of business, the Board reviewed the draft minutes of the November 20, 2025, meeting. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the following roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Judge: Yea
Commissioner Mahony: Yea
Mr. Galvin: Yea
Mr. Karlsson: Yea
Dr. Cook: Yea
Mr. O'Sullivan: Yea
Mr. Shim: Abstain
Dr. Francis: Yea
Undersecretary Moochhala: Yea
Mr. Cohen: Yea
Mr. Akindele: Abstain

With 10 yeas, 1 abstention, and 0 nays, it was VOTED, without further discussion or abstention:

To adopt the Meeting Minutes from the November 20, 2025, Meeting of the MassCEC Board of Directors.

II. Update from Chair and Interim CEO

Undersecretary Judge acknowledged that the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (“EEA”) released its 2025 End of Year report and gave brief highlights from the report. He also acknowledged the challenges posed by federal stop-work orders applying to five offshore wind projects, including Massachusetts’ Vineyard Wind. Undersecretary Judge announced that the Healey Administration will provide utility bill relief to Massachusetts customers during February and March. Finally, he updated the Board that the first round of interviews for MassCEC’s new CEO have taken place, and a short list of candidates will move to a second round of interviews.

Dr. Jennifer Le Blond, Interim Chief Executive Officer reaffirmed that MassCEC is looking ahead at program funding timelines and operational costs to adjust to a difficult fiscal environment. She then reviewed recent funding announcements from MassCEC’s programs.

Finally, Dr. Le Blond acknowledged Dr. Francis and Franklin Cummings Tech for recently opening a new all-electric building.

III. FY26 Authorization of External Funds for WTTC

Ms. Brooke Barton, Chief Operating Officer, presented a funding proposal to reallocate up to \$7.05 million in remaining ARPA funds for the Wind Technology Testing Center (“WTTC”).

The funds were originally authorized by the Board in May 2023 as part of \$10 million in ARPA funding for initial design work for a WTTC facility expansion to accommodate increasing blade size. After receiving cost estimates for design options, MassCEC determined that the cost would far exceed

available construction budget. MassCEC stopped further design work and explored alternative projects beneficial to WTTTC's market position. MassCEC staff worked with Board members Admiral McDonald and Mr. Galvin, who serve as facility liaisons to the Board, to develop options for repurposing the remaining funds.

Ms. Barton presented the selected project options and MassCEC's intended strategy to gauge interest from industry stakeholders and make final decisions over the coming months. MassCEC will return to the Board in Q4 of FY26 to present the status of these decisions after learning more about the market response. A discussion ensued between Board members, Ms. Barton, and WTTTC staff regarding details of project options and market conditions.

[Secretary Paley joined the meeting at 10:24 am]

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the following roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Judge: Yea
Commissioner Mahony: Yea
Mr. Galvin: Yea
Mr. Karlsson: Yea
Dr. Cook: Yea
Mr. O'Sullivan: Yea
Mr. Shim: Yea
Dr. Francis: Yea
Secretary Paley: Yea
Mr. Cohen: Yea
Mr. Akindele: Yea

With 11 yeas and 0 nays, it was VOTED, without further discussion or abstention:

To authorize MassCEC, by its Chief Executive Officer, to award and expend up to \$7,050,000 of funding for the Wind Technology Testing Center (i) to enter into contracts and issue individual awards under the program in a manner consistent with the staff memorandum and (ii) to make program modifications, including modifications to award levels, provided that such modifications are consistent with the program goals set forth in the staff memorandum. MassCEC will report the status of the Blade Incentive Statement of Interest to the Board in Q4 FY26, including any plan for uncommitted funding.

IV. Update: Production Tracking System

Ms. Erica Hines, Senior Director, presented an update on MassCEC's Production Tracking System ("PTS"), which refers to both a team and a database. MassCEC staff manage the system and provide customer service, managing over 7,000 engagements per year. PTS is the independent verifier for various DOER programs, provides a centralized database of public data for clean energy generation, and reports clean energy generation on the Renewable Energy Certificate ("REC") market.

[Secretary Tepper joined the meeting at 10:36 am]

Ms. Hines informed the Board of MassCEC's intended next steps for PTS, including working to increase the scope of systems from which they can collect data, and providing more robust system-level performance data to customers.

A short discussion ensued between Ms. Hines and Board members regarding the importance of PTS data to support the missions of affordability and public engagement.

V. Program Spotlight: Home Modernization Navigator

Ms. Meg Howard, Senior Program Director, presented an update on the MassCEC Home Modernization Navigator (the "Navigator"). The Navigator was created to assist residents with navigating a complex landscape of energy incentives. The program is intended to address the data showing that renters, rental property owners, low-moderate-income residents, and non-native English speakers are underrepresented in the state's clean energy adoption.

Ms. Howard briefly informed the Board of the Navigator's scope and impact. The Navigator is currently available to residents in Chelsea, Framingham, Lowell, Lynn, and Springfield. Moving forward, the Navigator team is working with EEA, DOER, and Mass Save to refine research, test new outreach and engagement strategies, and bring in new approaches via expertise from behavioral scientists. The goal is to pass this work to Mass Save to continue at a larger scale.

There was a short discussion about existing and planned in-person services from the Navigator.

VI. Grantee Spotlight: Workforce Development

Mr. Edward Hsieh, Senior Program Director, presented an update on the Workforce Development team's work and strategy. Mr. Hsieh discussed the team's programmatic strategy. He highlighted the Climate-Critical Underrepresented Business Support ("CUBS") program which is structured as a hub-and-spoke model. He discussed the team's work with a spectrum of individuals with different needs, backgrounds, and barriers they face.

Mr. Hsieh highlighted the work of Action for Equity ("A4E"), which operates in Dorchester, Roxbury, and Greater Boston. A4E has been a MassCEC grantee since 2022. They are one of MassCEC's most successful training providers, with completion and job placement rates exceeding 90%.

Discussion ensued around A4E's completion and job placement rates, as well as efforts MassCEC staff have taken to share successful strategies among the ecosystem of workforce development organizations.

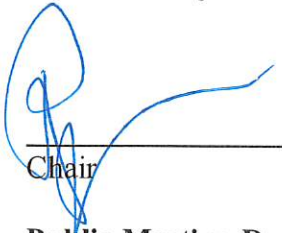
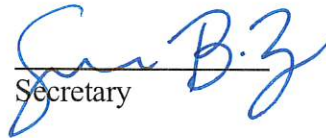
VII. Adjourn

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the following roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Judge: Yea
Commissioner Mahony: Yea
Mr. Galvin: Yea
Mr. Karlsson: Yea
Dr. Cook: Yea
Mr. O'Sullivan: Yea
Mr. Shim: Yea
Dr. Francis: Yea
Secretary Paley: Yea
Mr. Cohen: Yea
Mr. Akindele: Yea

With 11 yeas and 0 nays, it was VOTED, without further discussion or abstention, at 11:16 am:

To adjourn.


Chair
Secretary

Public Meeting Documents and Exhibits:

Meeting Agenda
Minutes from November 20, 2025
WTTC ARPA Authorization
WTTC ARPA Reauthorization presentation
PTS Update presentation
Home Modernization Navigator presentation
Workforce Development Grantee Spotlight presentation