

MINUTES
Iowa Nuclear Energy Task Force
Task Force Meeting
Monday, February 23, 2026
10:00 a.m.

1963 Bell Avenue, Suite 200 – Mississippi Conference Room

TASK FORCE MEMBERS PRESENT:

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Dr. Mark Nutt – Chair
May Farlinger
Mike Fehr
Sarah Martz
Dr. Jim McCalley
Matt Resor
Andy Roberts
Lane Witten
Brandy Zumbach Meisheid

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:

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Sean Bagniewski
Mike Boussetot
Izaah Knox
Hans Wilz
David Young

I. Welcome & Introductions

a. Roll Call

Chair Nutt called to order the February 23, 2026 meeting of the Iowa Nuclear Energy Task Force at 10:00 a.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

b. Task Force Member Introductions

Task Force Members and staff introduced themselves and the organizations they represent.

Senator Mike Boussetot joined the meeting at 10:04

II. Nuclear 101 Level Setting

Becca Gillespie with Energy Systems Network (ESN) provided the task force with an introduction to new nuclear technologies, the market for nuclear energy, nuclear policies, and the local impact of nuclear energy.

Dr. Mark Nutt with Pacific Northwest National Laboratory gave the task force an overview of the evolution of nuclear energy technology, federal nuclear policy, and key projects and players in the nuclear energy field.

Senator Izaah Knox joined the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

III. Guided Discussion and Next Steps

Becca Gillespie with ESN led a guided discussion on opportunities and challenges of deploying nuclear energy in Iowa.

IV. Adjournment

Chair Nutt adjourned the February 23, 2026, meeting of the Iowa Nuclear Energy Task Force at 12:05 p.m.

Dated this 23rd day of February 2026.

Respectfully submitted:

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Task Force Administrator