WIR President, Commissioner Murray called the meeting to order, and welcomed the Board to Washoe County, NV. [1:05]

Commissioner Murray called the roll. Members present were: [1:07]

- **Alaska:**
  - Hon. Jerome Selby, Kodiak Island Borough

- **Arizona:**
  - Hon. Mark Herrington, Graham County

- **California:**
  - Hon. Brian Dahle, Supervisor, Lassen County
  - Hon. David Finigan, Supervisor, Del Norte County

- **Colorado:**
  - Hon. Art Goodtimes, Commissioner, San Miguel County
  - Hon. John Martin, Commissioner, Garfield County

- **Hawai'i:**

- **Idaho:**
  - Hon. R. E. Cope, Commissioner, Lemhi County
  - Hon. Lin Hintze, Commissioner, Custer County

- **Montana:**
  - Hon. Lesley Robinson, Commissioner, Phillips County
  - Hon. Mike Murray, Commissioner, Lewis and Clark County

- **Nevada:**
  - Hon. Roger Mancebo, Commissioner, Pershing County
  - Hon. Tom Fransway, Commissioner, Humboldt County

- **New Mexico:**
  - Hon. Ron Brown, Sherriff, Sierra County

- **North Dakota:**

- **Oregon:**
  - Hon. Dan Shoun, Commissioner, Lake County
  - Hon. Tim Josi, Commissioner, Tillamook County

- **South Dakota:**
  - Hon. Clint Farlee, Commissioner, Ziebach County

- **Utah:**
  - Hon. Alan Gardner, Commissioner, Washington County

- **Washington:**
  - Hon. John Koster, Commissioner, Snohomish County
Wyoming:

Ex officio board members, and staff present were: Mr. Chip Taylor, Colorado Counties Inc; Mr. Daniel Chadwick, Idaho Association of Counties; Mr. Eric Johnson, Washington State Association of Counties; Harold Blattie, Montana Association of Counties; Nicole Stickler, Arizona Association of Counties; Craig Sullivan, County Supervisors Association of Arizona; Mr. Brent Gardner, Utah Association of Counties; Mike McArthur, Association of Oregon Counties; Kathie Wasserman, Alaska Municipal League; and Ryan Yates, NACo.

Approval of minutes from meeting in Yellowstone County, MT [1:18]
  - Moved Tim Josi, Second Jerome Selby

Speaker – Aaron Reif, Legislative and Outreach Coordinator, Federal Lands Highway Office, Federal Highway Administration [1:20]

  The mission of the Federal Lands Highway Office is to continue to improve transportation access to and within Federal and Indian lands and provide technical services to the highway community.

  The Federal Government maintains jurisdiction over approximately 30 percent of the Nation’s area. This includes some 590,000 miles of roads and highways that are the responsibility of Federal Land Management Agencies.

  The FLH Program is undertaken in partnership with the Department of Interior (National Park Service, Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, and Bureau of Reclamation), Department of Agriculture (Forest Service), and Department of Defense (Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command and Corps of Engineers) in cooperation with appropriate State and local transportation agencies. Naturally, the ultimate customer is the American public who benefit from transportation improvements on Federal and tribal lands.

  We also work closely with non-Federal partners including county governments. The various Federal Lands programs were consolidated into the FLHP in 1983. The current form of the program has been in existence since 1998, when the Refuge Roads Program was added during TEA-21.

  While the other Federal Lands programs focus on providing recreational access to the various Federal areas, The IRR program focuses on providing basic community transportation access to housing, schools, emergency services, stores, places of employment, and economic generators.

  [PowerPoint presentation available upon request]

  Q: Leslie Robinson – With respect to the Highway Safety Improvement program, would a walkway on a bridge qualify?
  A: Yes, I believe so, the State would be required to develop a plan.

Speaker Jeanne Higgins, Forest Supervisor, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest [1:37]

  Pleased to welcome everyone to Reno as Reno is the Gateway community for the Humboldt-Toiyabe NF.

  6.2 million acres in NV and Eastern CA make up the HT. The agency manages for multiple use including wilderness, grazing and limited timber production.
Much work has been focused on grassland restoration and juniper restoration.

Travel management plans – designated route system for motorized uses. Access to national forests continues to be a contentious issue for county governments. The Forest Service feels that an increase in communication to better coordination with counties will help. The agency has a need to understand the needs of local governments better.

The HTNF established new Resource Advisory Committees (established under the Secure Rural Schools program). Several counties locally have begun working together to use title II funds on local projects on the National Forest.

Highlight several local partnerships with counties. 1) Washoe County helped to develop the Galina Visitor center. This was a cooperative project with a county shared facility. 2) Elko County cooperated to replace the Jack Creek Bridge that was damaged in a forest fire.

The agency will work to support new partnerships and maintain coordination with county governments.

Speaker – Marc Kelley, partnership for rural America campaign [1:56]

Marc discussed the continued efforts to move the campaign for SRS reauthorization. Thanked the many county commissioners and state associations for their continued grassroots support. Explained the campaign is currently focused on efforts to include a long-term reauthorization in the presidents FY2012 budget request.

Highlighted the recent letter to the president signed by 100 members of the house of Representatives and the Senate. He will continue to work closely with NACo as the campaign continues.

Site Selection of the 2012 and 2013 WIR conference – Amanda Clark (NACo) [2:11]

Voting commenced.
2012 – Santa Fe, NM – May 14-20, 2012
2013 – Flagstaff, AZ

President Murray discussed the upcoming Fall WIR Board meeting. The meeting will take place in Helena, MT October 12-14 2010. [2:54]

Update from USDA FS, Randy Phillips, NACo Liaison [3:00]

Planning Rule Roundtables taking place nationally
- Focus on ecosystem services
  - Carbon and water credits
  - Values need to be attributed
- Monitoring ecosystem services
  - NACo could work to develop a workshop

Comments:
- Need to actively manage forests and rangelands
- Collaboration from local communities
- Appeals process is frustrating with time delays
- Elected officials should have prominent role in forest planning

Legislative Update (Yates) [3:15]
PILT Letter to Secretary Salazar
Discussion of Alternative Energy Revenue Sharing (Reid / Heller)
Senator Udall / Ensign legislation to require PILT payments be made by DOI in May annually

Approved Tim Josi motion, Selby second

Adjourn [3:45]