

## 2021 WVCMI/WVCA Joint Spring Meeting Draws Over 100



Chris Hamilton



Jason Bostic



Shelley Moore Capito



Patrick Morrissey

### June 22 (Day 1)

The 2021 West Virginia Coal Mining Institute/West Virginia Coal Association Joint Spring Meeting was held on June 22-23, 2021 at the Marriott Morgantown at Waterfront Place, Morgantown, West Virginia. There were over 100 attendees present.

The meeting began with a [Welcome](#) by Chris Hamilton, President, WVCA. This was followed by a presentation [“West Virginia Coal Market Report”](#) by Jason Bostic, Vice President, WVCA.

**Keynote Addresses** followed by [U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito](#) (R-WV) and [WV Attorney General Patrick Morrissey](#).

Next was [“Net-Negative CO2 Baseload Coal Power”](#) presented by Zoom by Ken Humphreys, Net-Negative CO2 Baseload Power, Inc. This was followed by [“Wave Liquifaction”](#) and [“CETALYST”](#) both presented by Fred Palmer,



Ken Humphreys



Fred Palmer



Randy Smith



Rupie Phillips



John Deskins



Eugene White



Sam Pierce



Carlos Mosely

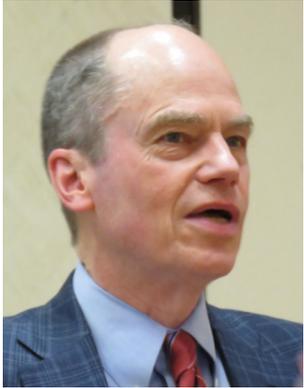


Jonathon Rorrer



Lee Robinette

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Bob McLusky



Vlad Kecojevic



Keith Runyon



Frank Foster

President, NewERA Carbon, Inc.

During the lunch break, the speakers were: WV State Senators Randy Smith and Rupie Phillips.

After lunch, the first presentation was [“The Economic Impact of Coal Fired Power Generation in WV”](#) by John De-skins, Director, WV BBER. This was followed by [“West Virginia’s Mine Safety Performance”](#) by Eugene White, Di-rector, WV Office of Miners’ Health Safety and Training.

Next was **“National Mine Safety Trends”** by Samuel Pierce, Acting Administrator, Mine Safety and Health Admin-istration (MSHA) and Carlos Mosley, District 3 Manager, MSHA.

After the Break the presentations were: **“WVDEP Report”** by Jonathon Rorrer, WV DEP; **“Waters of the United States & Corps of Engineers Issues”** by Lee Robinette, USACE; **“Environmental Legal Issues”** by Robert McLusky, Jackson & Kelly.



Jim Dean



Sen. Joe Manchin



Rep. David McKinley



Jared Forman



Jim Wood



Qingqing Huang



Paul Ziamkiewicz

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In the evening, the Reception was followed by the “**West Virginia Coal Hall of Fame Dinner and Induction Ceremony**”.

June 23 (Day 2)

Day 2 began with a **Welcome** from Vlad Kecojevic, President WVCMI. This was followed by a presentation “**Collision Awareness Equipment on Surface Mining Equipment**” by Keith Runyon, Vice President Surface Operations, Blackhawk Mining.

This was followed by “**Board of Coal Mine Health and Safety Regulatory Update**” by Frank Foster, Health and Safety Administrator, WV Board of Coal Mine Health & Safety and Jim Dean, Extension Agent, Mining and Industrial Extension, WVU.; and a presentation “**Mitchell Power Plant PSC Case Update**” by Jason Bostic, Vice President, WVCA.

There followed **Keynote Addresses** by US Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) and Congressman David McKinley (R-WV).

The last presentation before the break was “**Leer South Update**” by Jared Forman, Arch Resources.

After the break, there were three presentations: “**WVU Energy Institute Activities**” by Jim Wood, Director; “**Rare Earth Elements 1**” by Qingqing Huang, WVU; and “**Rare Earth Elements 2**” by Paul Ziamkiewicz, WVU.



A Portion of the Audience



WVU Students and Faculty with Vlad Kecojevic