

# From the Boardroom...

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held March 27, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Densil Allen. Robert Simmons, Secretary of the Cooperative, caused the minutes of the meeting to be kept. The following Directors were present: Max Swisegood, Clark Bredehoeft, Paul Nolte, Dale Jarman, Richard Strobel, Densil Allen, Robert Simmons, Sandra Streit and Stan Rhodes. Also present were General Manager Mike Gray, Adm. Asst. and Benefits Admin Kim Lewis and cooperative attorney Matt Krohn.

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

After discussion, the agenda was approved.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The unapproved minutes of the regular meeting of the board of directors held Feb. 27, 2014 were approved.

## REVIEW OF EXPENDITURES FOR FEBRUARY

An itemized list of expenditures for February was presented to the board, and the payment of the bills was ratified.

## APPROVAL OF REPORTS

The following February 2014 reports were approved: Operating Report (RUS Form 7) and Comparative Operating Statement including the Financial Statistical Report with month and budget comparisons and statistical data pertaining to operating revenue, expenses, margins, assets, liabilities, and KWH sales; Treasurer's Report and the written monthly Construction, Retirement, Maintenance and Operations Report.

## SAFETY REPORT

Gray reported no lost time accidents during the month.

## MEMBERSHIPS

The applications submitted for membership in the cooperative were accepted and approved. Directors reviewed a list of requests for termination of membership in the cooperative which, along with their requests that their billings be deducted from their deposits and the remainder, if any, be refunded to them, were accepted and approved.

## N.W. ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. REPORT

Gray and Nolte reported their attendance at the recent board meeting and shared highlights of the meeting. NW's annual meeting will be held April 15-16.

## NRECA ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

Nolte, Strobel and Bredehoeft reported on their attendance at the NRECA annual meeting, and shared highlights and information received at the meeting.

## SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Jarman reported that Sara Daubendiek, Fort Osage High School was named winner of the \$1,000 renewable scholarship from the 2014 John & Kathryn English Memorial Scholarship Trust. Other recipients of a \$1,000 one-time award are: Garret Hathews of Crest Ridge High School, Timothy Russell of Warrensburg High School, Lonnie Todd of Odessa High School and Kayleah Tye of Lexington High School.

## NRECA DIRECTORS' CONFERENCE REPORT

Swisegood reported on his attendance and highlights of the NRECA Directors' Conference. Allen, Strobel and Streit shared their experiences of directors' classes taken.

## DISCUSSION ON RATE 50 INCREASE

Gray reported on the need for a rate increase for Class 510. After discussion, a resolution setting Class 510 rates for wastewater and sewer treatment plants at \$75 service availability, \$9.60 demand charge and \$.0425 kWh was approved by directors.

## 2014 CAPITAL CREDIT RETIREMENTS

Directors approved the following capital credits retirements to be refunded in 2014: 100% of NW credits from 1994, 60% of NW credits from 1995 and 75% of WCE credits from 1995.

## SELECT AND APPROVE NW BOARD NOMINEES

Gray and Swisegood were named WCE's representatives on the NW board.

## APPROVE DELEGATE CHAIRMAN AND ALTERNATE FOR NW ANNUAL MEETING

The board voted to appoint Simmons as chairman of the delegation and Allen as alternate.

## MANAGER'S REPORT

Gray provided his Manager's Report for the month. He reported on the following: 1) The Nominating Committee meeting scheduled for May 14; 2) investment fund changes of custodian; 3) report on summer part-time help; 4) a Linn Tech part-time applicant; 5) Youth Tour finals scheduled for April 3; and 6) annual meeting deadlines.

Gray also advised the board of an opportunity to donate to the State Fair Foundation. After discussion, directors voted to donate \$500 to the State Fair Foundation.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT

The board entered into executive session, following which they reconvened.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

## NEW BUSINESS

None

## MEETING ADJOURNED

### FINANCIAL REPORT • *Statement of Operations* • March 2014

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<b>Revenue</b>	<b>2,407,028</b>	<b>8,388,012</b>	<b>7,564,310</b>
Power Bill Expense	1,384,512	4,618,814	4,323,638
Operation & Maint. Expense	469,346	1,376,856	1,414,501
Depreciation Expense	151,407	452,642	440,281
Interest Expense	<u>72,457</u>	<u>286,543</u>	<u>266,242</u>
<b>Total cost of Srvc. (Total Expense)</b>	<b>2,077,722</b>	<b>6,734,855</b>	<b>6,444,662</b>
Operating Margins (Revenue less Expenses)	329,306	1,653,157	1,119,648
Other Margins	<u>22,247</u>	<u>56,816</u>	<u>71,440</u>
<b>TOTAL MARGINS</b>	<b>351,553</b>	<b>1,709,973</b>	<b>1,191,088</b>