

From the Boardroom...

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held April 28, 2016

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, Richard Strobel, Jeremy Ahmann, Dale Jarman, Sandra Streit and Stan Rhodes. Also present were General Manager Mike Gray, and Kim Lewis, administrative assistant.

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 March 24, 2016 were approved.

REVIEW OF EXPENDITURES FOR APRIL

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

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

The following March 2016 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 presented the safety report which was approved.

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.

AMEC REPORT

Bredehoeft reported his attendance at the AMEC meeting. Highlights included an update on the initiative petition, and NRECA's Bolivia project.

N.W. ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. REPORT

Gray and Swisegood reported their attendance at the recent board meeting and shared highlights including a review of the NW Annual Meeting and election of offices as well as the introduction of new AECL Manager David Tudor.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Jarman and Simmons reported on the scholarships awarded.

STRATEGIC PLAN ACTION PLAN

The Strategic Plan Action Plan was discussed and accepted.

AECI SOLAR STRATEGIES SURVEY

Gray distributed the survey and each director completed it. Results will be reported at a future meeting.

FACILITIES DISCUSSION

Gray reported on a member who had requested a copy of the cooperative's facilities study. The board approved providing the study for the member to review. Directors voted to continue to utilize the two locations at Higginsville and Oak Grove.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Gray provided his Manager's Report for the month. He reported on the following: attorney availability for meetings, NRECA Director's Survey, annual meeting, commercial rate changes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

The board entered into executive session for the discussion of personnel, litigation and contractor relationship. Following the closed session, the board returned to open session. The board resolved to appoint cooperative counsel Rod Widger to serve as parliamentarian for the 2014 annual meeting.

MEETING ADJOURNED

FINANCIAL REPORT • *Statement of Operations* • March 2016

	This month	YTD 2016	YTD 2015
Revenue	1,961,695	7,031,926	7,872,826
Power Bill Expense	1,263,446	4,353,366	4,494,645
Operation & Maint. Expense	180,480	563,805	804,851
Depreciation Expense	165,048	492,724	470,403
Interest Expense	<u>132,340</u>	<u>309,899</u>	<u>337,135</u>
Total cost of Srvc. (Total Expense)	1,741,314	5,719,794	6,107,034
Operating Margins (Revenue less Expenses)	(76,982)	509,122	957,841
Other Margins	<u>47,280</u>	<u>63,160</u>	<u>63,782</u>
TOTAL MARGINS	(29,702)	572,282	1,021,623