

From the Boardroom...

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held April 27, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Clark Bredehoeft. Robert Simmons, secretary of the cooperative, caused the minutes of the meeting to be kept. The following directors were present: Max Swisegood, Richard Strobel, Jeremy Ahmann, Dale Jarman, Sandra Streit and Stan Rhodes. Also present were General Manager Mike Gray, and Kim Lewis, administrative assistant. Absent was Densil Allen Jr.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

After discussion, the agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

The board approved its consent agenda consisting of the amended minutes of the regular meeting of March 23, 2017, expenditures for the month of March 2017; new membership applications; membership terminations and the treasurer's report.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

The following March 2017 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.

AMEC REPORT

Bredehoeft and Gray reported their attendance at the AMEC meeting. Highlights included NRTC activities, NRTC delegate discussions, AECL report given by David Tudor, Richard Moore and David Klindt gave the Legislative Report and AMEC financials. Gray discussed the Lineman's Rodeo. The board will give it further discussion.

N.W. ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. REPORT

Gray and Swisegood reported their attendance at the recent board meeting and annual meeting, and shared highlights including AECL update, financials, outage report, safety, construction and operations, and storm damage. Gray is now the secretary of the group.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Jarman gave a summary of scholarships given by the cooperative -- five one-time scholarships and one renewable scholarship were given. The board discussed future recommendations. Youth Tour and CYCLE winners were also announced.

DISCUSSION OF BYLAW CHANGE

Gray discussed a potential bylaw change -- if a member leaves, it would allow for immediate payment of the past due account with capital credits without waiting for maturity. No action was taken.

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS AND TIMELINE REVIEW

Gray discussed the strategic planning goals and how they were met. The board discussed the Policy Committee needs to meet.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Gray provided his Manager's Report for the month. Items of interest included breakfast for all employees for Lineman Appreciation Day, Lake Michael subdivision request for road repair and a building update.

ANNUAL MEETING DISCUSSION

Gray discussed the annual meeting. The food menu and gift certificates were discussed. The Nominating Committee will meet May 11, 2017.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board entered into executive session.

MEETING ADJOURNED

FINANCIAL REPORT • *Statement of Operations* • March 2017

	This month	YTD 2017	YTD 2016
Revenue	2,064,691	7,382,280	7,031,926
Power Bill Expense	1,298,264	4,217,774	4,353,366
Operation & Maint. Expense	382,125	864,630	563,805
Depreciation Expense	170,956	511,640	492,724
Interest Expense	<u>105,254</u>	<u>306,760</u>	<u>309,899</u>
Total cost of Srvc. (Total Expense)	1,956,599	5,900,804	5,719,794
Operating Margins (Revenue less Expenses)	(168,193)	663,004	509,122
Other Margins	<u>50,043</u>	<u>112,472</u>	<u>63,160</u>
TOTAL MARGINS	(118,150)	775,476	572,282