

MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The Board of Trustees of the Western Cooperative Electric Association, Inc. met at the office of the Cooperative for the monthly meeting on January 19th, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Craig Crossland. The following trustees were present: Craig Crossland, Terry Hobbs, Frank Joy, Sue Rohleder, Landon Heier, Marvin Keller, Dale Weinhold, Nick Zerr, and Richard Schaus. Also present were Tom Ruth, General Manager, Nolan Numrich, Stacey Malsam, and E. Jay Deines, Attorney, who kept the meeting minutes.

The minutes of the meeting held December 15th, 2022, were presented. The minutes were approved as presented.

The agenda was modified by adding an amended Agreement Letter from Kelso Lynch, CPA to the agenda. The agenda was approved as modified.

Stacey Malsam presented the changes to the Kelso Lynch, CPA audit agreement to add additional audit services required to comply with Uniform Guidance Regulations due to receiving FEMA funds for a fee not to exceed \$5,400. Sue Rohleder moved, Landon Heier seconded, to make the changes to the contract. Upon vote, the motion passed.

Discussion was had with the board to advise them of settlement amounts being refunded back to Sunflower Electric Power Corporation from the Southwest Power Pool as a result of Winter Storm Uri Settlement filings. It was recommended due to the small estimated amount of credits and relying on Kansas Corporation Commission guidance on the matter that the credits flow through the normal monthly ECA calculation. Dale Weinhold moved, and Richard Schaus seconded, to refund credits back to the members through the normal monthly ECA. Upon vote, the motion passed.

Tom Ruth gave his manager's report covering concerns on the lessor prairie chicken, and availability of supplies. Stacey Malsam and Nolan Numrich presented additional information during the report.

Manager Ruth gave a WCE financial report for December 2022 as well as potential supply chain shortages for 2023.

A list of delinquent accounts to be written off the books was presented. Dale Weinhold moved, Marvin Keller seconded, to approve the write-offs. Upon vote, the motion passed.

Frank Joy gave the Sunflower Report.

Checks were reviewed and discussed. Sue Rohleder moved, Marvin Keller seconded, that the checks be accepted as printed. Upon vote, the motion passed.

A list of members requesting a refund or transfer patronage capital credits was presented. It was moved by Terry Hobbs and seconded by Richard Schaus to approve the request for refund or transfer of

patronage capital credits. Upon vote, the motion passed.

Manager Ruth reported on RUS, CFC, CoBank, Federated, NRTC, and CRC activities.

Terry Hobbs gave a report on KEC activities.

Manager Ruth presented a safety report for the past year.

A list of contracts for electrical service was presented. It was moved by Nick Zerr, seconded by Dale Weinhold, to execute the contracts listed. Upon vote the motion passed.

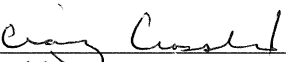
A list of applicants for membership was presented. It was moved by Terry Hobbs and seconded by Marvin Keller that the applicants be approved for membership. Upon vote the motion passed.

Sue Rohleder moved, Frank Joy seconded, to go into an executive session for five (5) minutes. Upon vote the motion passed. Meeting returned to normal session after the allotted time elapsed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be February 16, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.


Secretary

Approved by:


President