

## 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 September 19, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Crossland. The following trustees were present: Crossland, Hobbs, Joy, Luetters, Heier, Schaus, Keller, Rohleder and Weinhold. Also present were Tom Ruth, General Manager; Stacey Malsam; Dennis Deines; and E. Jay Deines, Attorney, who kept the minutes of the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held August 15, 2019 were presented. The minutes were approved as presented. The agenda was approved as presented.

Tom Ruth, Manager, discussed the Fire Retardant (FR) clothing issue. He recommended a new programs where Western Cooperative Electric buys clothing and terminates the current rental agreement. It was moved by Hobbs and seconded by Heier to purchase the clothing and terminate the current rental agreement. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

Manager Ruth discussed Policy 1002 – Deposit Policy and how it has been revised. The changes were mainly a rearrangement of the order. It was moved by Schaus and seconded by Luetters to adopt Policy 1002 as revised. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

The new 2020 rates for NRECA benefits were presented to the board for review.

Manager Ruth briefed the board on the Residential Prepaid Metering Option. He also discussed the Bill Stuffer concerning the upcoming proposed rate increase.

Tom Ruth gave the Manager's report and financial report. Stacey and Dennis contributed comments on several topics. Tom also reported on a chainsaw injury to an employees' hand.

A list of delinquent accounts to be written off the books, a list of which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was presented. It was moved by Luetters and seconded by Heier to approve the write-offs. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

A prepaid residential tariff 19-PRS was presented to the board for discussion and at the end of the discussion it was moved by Keller and seconded by Schaus to approve the presented tariff.

Manager Ruth reported on his expenses during the last month.

Joy reported on Sunflower and MKEC activities for the last month.

Checks numbered 62243 through 62419 were reviewed and discussed. It was moved by Weinhold and seconded by Heier that the checks be accepted as printed. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

A list of members requesting a refund of patronage capital credits, which list is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was presented. It was moved by Luetters and seconded by

Keller to approve the request for refund of patronage capital credits. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

A list of members requesting a transfer of patronage capital credits, which list is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was presented. It was moved by Joy and seconded by Weinhold to approve the request for transfer of patronage capital credits. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

Co-Bank, RUS, CFC and Federated reports were reviewed and discussed.

The KEC report was given by Hobbs. It was noted that the major topic was on the search for a new CEO.

The NRECA reports were reviewed.

Pole top rescue practice was held in the month of August. A report on Carl Potter's August 7, 2019 visit and safety assessment was reviewed.

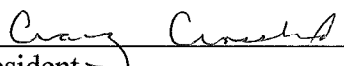
A list of contracts for electrical service, a list of which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was presented. It was moved by Heier and seconded by Keller to execute the contracts listed and attached hereto on behalf of the Cooperative. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

A list of applicants for membership, a list of which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was presented. It was moved by Luetters and seconded by Keller that the applicants be approved for membership. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be October 17, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

  
Secretary

Approved by:

  
President