WESTERN COOPERATIVE ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC. BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2025

The Board of Trustees of the Western Cooperative Electric Association, Inc. met at the office of the Cooperative for the monthly Board meeting on Thursday, February 20, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Nick Zerr. The following trustees were also present: Terry Hobbs, Sue Rohleder, Tim Stanton, Frank Joy, Landon Heier, Dale Weinhold, and Marvin Keller. Also in attendance were the following: Chief Executive Officer Nolan Numrich, Chief Financial Officer Stacey Malsam.

The minutes of the January 16th, 2025, Board of Trustees meeting were presented. Trustee Dale Weinhold moved, and Trustee Marvin Keller seconded, to approve the January 16th, 2025, Board of Trustee meeting minutes. Motion carried.

The proposed agenda for the February 20th, 2025, Board of Trustee meeting was presented. Trustee Landon Heier moved, and Trustee Tim Stanton seconded, to approve the February 20th, 2025, Board of Trustee meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Trustee Susan Rohleder was presented with her renewed NRECA Director Gold Certificate.

HR Manager, Valerie Schneider, entered the meeting.

Interviews were held for the open Board Trustee position.

It was moved by Landon Heier and seconded by Marvin Keller to enter Executive Session. Motion carried.

Upon the close of the Executive session, the Board of Trustees was called back into Open Session.

It was moved by Terry Hobbs and seconded by Tim Stanton to appoint Steve Hausler to the open Board Trustee position. Motion carried.

Valerie Schneider exited the meeting.

The manager of Information Systems, Craig Cramer, entered the meeting to present Policy 712 Cybersecurity and Policy 713 Generative Artificial Intelligence to the board. Landon Heier moved, seconded by Terry Hobbs, to approve both policies with suggested amendments. The motion carried. Craig and Nolan presented the Information Services report.

Craig Cramer exited the meeting.

CEO Nolan Numrich presented the 2024 RUS Form 7.

CEO Nolan Numrich gave an update on Annual Meeting planning.

The NRECA voting delegates were discussed. Since no one is attending the NRECA annual meeting, no voting delegates were appointed.

CEO Nolan Numrich presented the monthly Manager's Report, including updates on Operations, Human Resources, and Safety.

CFO Stacey Malsam presented the monthly Finance Department Report.

CEO Nolan Numrich presented the monthly Member Services Report.

Trustee Landon Heier moved and Trustee Sue Rohleder seconded the motion to increase our participation in the CoBank Sharing Success program to \$15,000 to take advantage of CoBank's matching limit increase. The motion carried.

After a review of the monthly delinquent account write-offs, it was moved by Trustee Sue Rohleder and seconded by Trustee Marvin Keller to approve the delinquent account write-offs as presented. Motion carried.

Trustee Frank Joy gave an update on Sunflower Electric's activities.

The List of Checks and Insufficient Funds were presented. Trustee Sue Rohleder moved, and Trustee Landon Heier seconded, to approve the List of Checks and Insufficient Funds as presented. Motion carried.

Trustee Landon Heier moved, and Trustee Tim Stanton seconded, to approve the Patronage Capital Refunds and Transfers. Motion carried.

Trustee Nick Zerr and Trustee Terry Hobbs gave an update on the KEC Day at the Capitol.

Trustee Marvin Keller moved, and Trustee Sue Rohleder seconded, to approve the new contracts and new members as presented. Motion carried.

Trustee Landon Heier moved, and Trustee Tim Stanton seconded, to enter Executive Session.

Upon close of the Executive session, the Board of Trustees were called back into Open Session.

The Board reviewed upcoming meeting dates.

There being no further business of the Board of Trustees, the Western Cooperative Electric Board of Trustees meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be held on March 20th, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. at the WCE office in WaKeeney.

Landon Heier

Secretary, Board of Trustees Western Cooperative Electric

Approved by:

Nick Zerr

President, Board of Trustees Western Cooperative Electric