## 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 March 16th, 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, E. Jay Deines, Attorney, who kept the meeting minutes, and Sunflower CEO Todd Hillman and Corey Linville, VP, Power Supply & Delivery.

The minutes of the meeting held February 17th, 2023, were presented. The minutes were approved as presented. The agenda was approved as presented.

Manager Ruth presented awards to Frank Joy for Director Gold Certificate, and Marvin Keller for completing the Director BLC and CCD Certificates.

Frank Joy moved, Nick Zerr seconded, to approve the WCE STR-23 Tariff. Upon vote the motion carried.

Corey Linville of Sunflower Electric advised the Board on the City of Russell 34.5 KV potential load increase. At the end of the discussion Terry Hobbs moved, Dale Weinhold seconded to move forward in discussing options 1, 2, & 3 with the City of Russell for serving additional load. Upon vote, the motion carried.

Nolan Numrich advised the Board of Annual Meeting plans and preparations. Nolan also advised on billing corrections, the youth tour, and Sunflower's renewable Energy Program.

Manager Ruth gave his monthly financial report with various charts and graphs.

Manager Ruth reported a near miss accident.

Manager Ruth present the Manger's Expense Report.

Frank Joy presented his monthly Sunflower Report.

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

A list of members requesting a refund or transfer patronage capital credits was presented. It was moved by Dale Weinhold and seconded by Richard Schaus to approve the request for refund or transfer of patronage capital credits. Upon vote the motion carried.

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

Terry Hobbs presented the KEC report.

Manager Ruth and Nick Zerr presented the NRECA report.

Those who attended the NRECA Annual Meeting (Dale Weinhold, Nick Zerr, Marvin Keller, Terry Hobbs, and Landon Heier) gave a report on the meeting and speakers.

The Safety Meeting minutes were reviewed.

No new contracts for electrical service were presented.

A list of applicants for membership was presented. It was moved by Nick Zerr and seconded by Marvin Keller that the applicants be approved for membership. Upon vote the motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be April 20, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

Richard Schous Secretary

Approved by:

President Crossly