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 June 20, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

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

The minutes of the meeting held May 8, 2024, were presented. The minutes were approved as printed. The agenda was approved as printed.

Jay Scott was introduced, and he discussed the 2024 Federal Loss Control Report and the results of KEC's regulatory safety inspection.

Tom Ruth advised the board on Federal Insurance coverage and costs.

Stacey Malsam advised the board on the post-software conversion budget to actual cost and savings.

Tom Ruth advised the board on the Load Forecast through 2028.

A discussion was had concerning the Alternate GM position on the Sunflower Board of Directors. A motion was made by Landon Heier and seconded by Richard Schaus to have Nolan Numrich serve as Western's alternate GM for the Sunflower Board of Directors. Motion passed with Frank Joy and Sue Rohleder abstaining.

Nick Zerr led a discussion on the CEO Search. A motion was made by Frank Joy and was seconded by Landon Heier to have Holmes Executive Search do the Western Cooperative CEO search. Motion passed.

Tom Ruth gave the Manager's Report.

Stacey Malsam gave the Financial/Regulatory Report.

Nolan Numrich reported on Member Services.

Tom Ruth gave his monthly Financial Report.

A report on delinquent accounts was given. A motion was duly made by Sue Rohleder and seconded by Marvin Keller to approve the write offs for delinquent accounts. Motion carried.

The manager's expenses were presented and reviewed.

Frank Joy and Sue Rohleder reported on Sunflower activities for the month.

Checks were reviewed and discussed. Terry Hobbs motioned to approve the checks and pay the bills as written. Marvin Keller seconded. Upon vote, the motion passed.

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

Terry Hobbs reported that there were no KEC activities this past month.

Tom Ruth gave a report on NRECA activities.

A list of contracts for electrical service as well as new members were presented. Landon Heier moved, and Terry Hobbs seconded, to execute the contracts and approve the new members. Upon vote the motion passed.

Landon Heier moved to go into executive session. Seconded by Tim Stanton and passed.

The meeting was called back into an Open Meeting at the close of the Executive Session.

A motion was made by Tim Stanton and seconded by Dale Weinhold to retain E. Jay Deines as legal counsel. Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be on July 18, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

Michel Seleaus
Secretary

Approved by:

President'