

From the Boardroom...

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held February 28, 2019

The meeting, was called to order by President Densil Allen Jr. Robert Simmons, Secretary of the Cooperative, caused the minutes of the meeting to be kept. The following directors were present: Max Swisegood, Clark Bredehoeft, Dale Jarman, Richard Strobel, Stan Rhodes and Jeremy Ahmann. Sandra Streit was absent. Also present were General Manager Mike Gray, general counsel Sheri Smiley and Rod Widger, and WCE office staff.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

After discussion, the agenda was approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board entered into executive session and reconvened following.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

The board approved its consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the regular meeting of Jan. 23, 2019, expenditures for the month of January 2019; new membership applications; membership terminations and the treasurer's report.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

The following January 2019 reports were approved:

Financing and Treasurer's Report: Michael Newland presented the January 2019 Operating Report and Comparative Operating Statement and reviewed the Financial Statistical Report with monthly and annual budget comparisons; reported final year-end numbers as well as the investment report; presented and reviewed the Financial Statistical Report with monthly and annual budget comparisons; provided the investment report; provided statistical data pertaining to operating revenue, expenses, margins, assets, liabilities, cash flow management, and KWH sales; discussed line-loss calculations and sales comparisons year-to-date; discussed the power bill from N.W. Electric and the financial impact of the January snowstorm and reported that \$52,817.51 was bad debt write off for 2018. He also gave the Treasurer's report.

Engineering Report: Dan Disberger presented the Engineering Report which included information on construction, retirement, maintenance and operations; new services, outages, pole change-outs and maintenance; brush crews and spraying crews; a staking report as well as inspections that had been done on poles and the rejection rate.

Operations and Safety Report: Randy Burkeybile discussed crew work and outages in January; gave a construction retirement, maintenance and operations report and reported on new services built. He also gave the safety report including safety meetings, crew visits and training for the month for employees.

Member Services Report: Brent Schlotzhauer presented the member services report. He included a report on Operation Round Up, Youth Tour, a new office employee, how calls were handled during the recent snow storm, an update on the building break-in, member comments, and net metering. He also discussed Policy 23.1 and the changes made to the rebate policy to mirror AECl's policy.

NW REPORT

Swisegood presented the NW report. He discussed AECl updates, outages, the solar and wind report and margins and expenses, as well as patronage capital.

AMEC REPORT

Bredehoeft gave the AMEC report. He included department reports, a report on MECIP, an update on the annual meeting and statewide training courses.

NW DELEGATE

Swisegood was appointed as the NW delegate for the NW Annual Meeting and Simmons is the alternate

RESOLUTION FOR BANK SIGNATURE CARD

The board approved a resolution to authorize signatures for bank activity.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Gray presented his monthly Manager's Report. Items of interest included member comments; an update on the Oak Grove building and the employee banquet in March. He also gave director training dates.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A recommendation was made to discuss possible new annual meeting ideas.

MEETING ADJOURNED

FINANCIAL REPORT • *Statement of Operations* • January 2019

	This month	YTD 2019	YTD 2018
Revenue	\$ 2,875,735	\$ 2,875,735	\$ 3,296,463
Power Bill Expense	1,774,819	1,774,819	1,830,582
Operation & Maint. Expense	726,774	726,774	489,312
Depreciation Expense	180,253	180,253	176,969
Interest Expense	<u>118,319</u>	<u>118,319</u>	<u>83,813</u>
Total cost of Srvc. (Total Expense)	2,800,165	2,800,165	2,580,676
Operating Margins (Revenue less Expenses)	75,570	75,570	715,786
Other Margins	<u>35,918</u>	<u>35,918</u>	<u>18,255</u>
TOTAL MARGINS	\$ 111,488	\$ 111,488	\$ 734,041