

MCLEAN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

March 26, 2015

The March meeting of the Board of Directors of McLean Electric Cooperative, Inc., was held in the Maple Leaf Room at the Grand Hotel in Minot, North Dakota, on the 26th day of March, 2015, following the closure of the 2015 Central Power Electric Cooperative Annual Meeting. The meeting was called to order by President Alvin Myers at 11:30 o'clock a.m.

Directors present:

Clarence Behles
Larry Gessele
Ernest Grueneich
Alvin Myers
Troy Presser
Orvin Ravnaas
Rod Stockdill

Also present were Manager Martin D. Dahl, Business Manager Luke Steen, Operations Manager Keith Thelan, and Attorney David A. Lindell.

A motion was made by Presser and seconded by Behles to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of the minutes of the March 4, 2015, board meeting, additional agenda items, review of director's checks, and approval of the membership and service applications. The motion carried.

The estate of Arnold Carlson was presented for capital credit retirement. A motion was made by Behles and seconded by Ravnaas to approve the retirement of the capital credits. The motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

1. Business Department - Luke Steen. Items discussed and actions taken during the Business Department report were as follows:
 - a. Provided the financial report for the cooperative which included the KWH usage and revenue for February, 2015; review of the un-audited December, 2014, Form 7, which showed an Operating Revenue of \$13,203,431.00, Cost of Power of \$8,099,567.00 and a Margin of \$1,342,362.00; review of the January, 2015, Form 7; financial ratios for December 2014 and January 2015; and the Budget to Actual report for December 2014 and January, 2015.

- b. Provided an NDAREC Medical Insurance Trust meeting report.
 - c. Reported on his meeting with Rachel Hanson of Co-Bank regarding funding outside of RUS.
- 2. Operations Department - Keith Thelen. Items discussed and actions taken during the operations department report were as follows:
 - a) Provided the March, 2015 work plan/work load update.
 - b) Provided a Contract Labor report.
 - c) Reported on the March AT&S Safety Meeting.
- 3. Manager's Report - Martin D. Dahl. Items discussed and actions taken during the Manager's Report were as follows:
 - a) Provided a report of his attendance at the RDFC Board Meeting.
 - b) Reported on his meeting with employees of Great River Energy, Central Power and Basin Electric regarding power supply.
 - c) Provided a member services update.
 - d) Provided a follow up of the March 4 and 5 Strategic Planning Session.
 - e) Discussed Financial Assistance Scholarships. A motion was made by Stockdill and seconded by Behles for the Cooperative to award three \$500.00 scholarships at the 2015 annual meeting. The motion carried.
 - f) Discussed the Dakota Feeder Calf show. A motion was made by Ravnaas and seconded by Behles that the Cooperative be a major sponsor of the Dakota Feeder Calf Show with a donation of \$500.00. The motion carried.

POLICY REVIEW:

The following policies were reviewed:

- 1. Policy No. 626.0 - Distributed Generation. A motion was made by Ravnaas and seconded by Behles to table the discussion until the April Board meeting. The motion carried.

2. Policy No. 402.1 - Member Service and Line Extensions Motor Loads. A motion was made by Presser and seconded by Stockdill to approve the policy as presented. A motion was made by Gessele to table the motion until the April Board Meeting. The motion died for the lack of a second. An amendment to the motion was made by Presser and seconded by Stockdill to amend the language regarding all new single phase motor loads. The amendment carried. The motion as amended carried.
3. Policy No. 318.0 Credit Card Acceptance. A motion was made by Ravnaas and seconded by Behles to approve Policy 318.0 as presented. The motion carried.

Reports on meetings attended:

1. Statewide - Stockdill
2. Central Power - Presser

Other business:

A motion was made by Stockdill and seconded by Behles for the Cooperative to raise the Dollars for Scholars donation for each of the County schools to \$500.00 which will allow Basin Electric to match the donation. The motion carried.

Attorney Lindell presented a flyer regarding the NRECA Legal Seminar 55. One of the seminars is scheduled for July 22 and 23 in Asheville, North Carolina. A motion was made by Ravnaas and seconded by Grueneich to allow attorney Lindell to attend Legal Seminar 55. The motion carried.

Upcoming Meetings:

1. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 30, 2015, at 8:30 a.m.

There being no further business, upon a motion made and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary