

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THE SOCORRO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

DECEMBER 17, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Socorro Electric Cooperative, Inc., was held on Wednesday, December 17, 2014 in Socorro, New Mexico.	INDEX
The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m., by Anne L. Dorough, President.	CALL TO ORDER
Secretary Cordova called roll and reported those present and attending as follows:	ROLL CALL
MEMBERS PRESENT: Anne L. Dorough, President Representative, District V David Wade, Vice-President Representative, District IV Leo C. Cordova, Secretary/Treasurer Representative, District I Melissa Amaro, Trustee Representative, District III Charles Wagner, Trustee Representative, District II	
ALSO PRESENT: Joseph Herrera, General Manager Eileen Latasa, HR Manager/Executive Assistant Lorna Wiggins, Attorney Marilyn Madrid, Member Services Supervisor David Montoya, Line Superintendent	
SEC MEMBERS PRESENT: Jimmy Dorough, James Cherry, John Larson	
Secretary Cordova declared a Quorum of Trustees present.	QUORUM
President Dorough led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.	PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
There being no additions or changes to the agenda, President Dorough accepted the agenda as distributed.	APPROVAL OF AGENDA
After review of the Draft of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 19, 2014, President Dorough accepted the Minutes as written.	APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES
There were no items addressed by members present under Public Input.	PUBLIC INPUT
Manager Herrera reported that total expenditures for the month of November, 2014 totaled \$643,353.31.	EXPENDITURE REPORT
Trustee Wagner inquired about Check #50049 to Cordova Public Relations and Check #50082 to Wiggins, Williams and Wiggins and the check issued to Bryce Wilson. Manager Herrera explained the expenditures in question.	
There being no further questions from the Board, President Dorough accepted the Expenditure Report for November, 2014 as distributed.	
There being no questions from the Board on the Credit Card Report for November, 2014 President Dorough accepted the report as distributed.	CREDIT CARD REPORT
Manager Herrera reviewed at length the RUS Form 7 Report for November, 2014.	RUS FORM 7
President Dorough accepted the RUS Form 7 Report as presented.	
Manager Herrera reviewed the NMRECA Report for November, 2014 as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Revised Annual Fees reduction schedule2015 Legislative Session items affecting New Mexico Cooperatives	NMRECA REPORT
Manager Herrera also reviewed the Tri-State Report for November, 2014 as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Patronage Capital Retirement ProposalPreliminary Mediation AgreementStrategic GoalsEPA Clean Power RuleRFP's for Wind Renewables	TRI-STATE REPORT

- Contract Committee Meeting
- Postage Stamp Rate

President Dorough accepted the Tri-State Report for November, 2014 as presented.

Manager Herrera informed the Board that as a member of the NRECA Resolutions Standing Committee, that he would be attending the Resolutions Committee meeting in January, 2015. OTHER

President Dorough read a letter from Federated Insurance dated December 8, 2014 concerning SEC’s Directors, Officers & Managers and Corporate Indemnification Policy regarding SEC’s Claims experience with discrimination actions filed and legal action involving a single director.

President Dorough stated that further discussion on the matter would be taken up during Executive Session.

Mr. Montoya reported that work orders were being completed to finish out the year and that the Clarke Field project was completed. CONSTRUCTION /MAINTENANCE REPORT

Mr. Montoya also reported on the outage that affected a large portion of Socorro due to a freeway accident. Mr. Montoya added that he was happy with the expedient restoration of power by the line crew with all the work that was required.

Mr. Montoya gave a brief report on the NRECA Loss Control Internship Program he attended in Wisconsin. SAFETY REPORT/ OTHER

Ms. Madrid reviewed the Energy Delinquent Report for November, 2014 with the Board. ENERGY DELINQUENT REPORT

Ms. Madrid also reviewed the Section V & XII Delinquent Report for November, 2014. SECTION V & XII DELINQUENT REPORT

Ms. Madrid reported that there were no member complaints filed with the N.M.P.R.C. during November, 2014. MEMBER CONCERNS

Secretary Cordova reported on the Member Application/Cancellation Report for November, 2014 as follows: SECRETARY’S REPORT

- New Connects 36
- Disconnects 123
- Reconnects 88

President Dorough accepted the Member Application/Cancellation Report for November, 2014 as presented.

President Dorough read a letter from the Rio Abajo Library in La Joya, New Mexico requesting a donation for the library. A motion was then made by Trustee Wagner and seconded by Trustee Amaro to accept the recommendation of the SEC Foundation officers to make a \$1,000 donation to the Rio Abajo Library. After discussion, President Dorough called for a vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously. SEC FOUNDATION REPORT

President Dorough announced that selection of the 2015 NRECA Government in Action Youth Tour delegates was made during the meeting of the SEC Foundation held earlier in the day.

Attorney Wiggins recommended the Retirement of Patronage Capital to the following Estates: CAPITAL CREDIT ESTATE RETIREMENT

Thomas M. Baca	\$ 325.55	Lola Chavez	\$1,475.97
J.R. Elam	\$ 255.94	Mrs. Presciliano Vaiza	\$ 286.75
Amado C. Gonzales	\$ 454.89	VFW, Troy Connell	\$ 93.12
Juanita L. Gonzales	\$2,279.96	M.S. Major	\$1,575.96
Francisquita C. Baca	\$ 158.77	Louise Darnell	\$ 6.30
Romelia Montoya	\$ 112.70	Mike Lopez	\$ 42.61
Dr. John Aiken	\$ 278.81	Josephine M. Gonzales	\$ 559.73
Alex S. Gonzales	\$ 176.69	Audrey Lotz	\$ 489.75
Adelaido G. Torres	\$ 319.32	Ben Padilla	\$ 125.16
Judy Silva	\$ 169.16		

A motion was made by Trustee Amaro and seconded by Trustee Cordova to approve the Retirement of Patronage Capital to the above-mentioned Estates. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no items under Line Extension Contracts open for discussion.	LINE EXTENSION CONTRACT
After review and discussion of the proposals received for the 2015 Strategic Planning Facilitator, a motion was made by Trustee Wagner and seconded by Trustee Amaro to accept the proposal from POM's and Associates. Motion carried unanimously.	CONSIDERATION AND SECTION OF 2015 STRATEGIC PLANNING FACILITATOR
After discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Amaro and seconded by Trustee Wagner to designate Manager Herrera as the Voting Delegate and Trustee Cordova as the Voting Alternate to the 2015 NRECA Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.	ELECTION OF VOTING DELEGATE & ALTERNATE TO THE 2015 NRECA ANNUAL MEETING
After discussion, President Dorough entertained a motion to designate Manager Herrera Trustee Cordova as the Voting Delegate and Voting Alternate, respectively, to the 2015 CFC, NRTC and Federated Annual Meetings.	
A motion was then made by Trustee Wade and seconded by Trustee Amaro to designate Manager Herrera and Trustee Cordova as the Voting Delegate and Voting Alternate, respectively, to the 2015 CFC, NRTC and Federated Annual Meetings. Motion carried unanimously.	
After discussion on the 2015 Annual Members Meeting, Trustee Wade made a motion and seconded by Trustee Cordova to set the date of Saturday, May 16, 2015 at the Finley Gymnasium with registration from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and the meeting at 3:00 p.m.	SET DATE/TIME/ LOCATION FOR 2015 ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING
Trustee Wagner then made a motion to amend Trustee Wade's motion to hold the 2015 Annual Meeting at the Macey Center. Trustee Amaro seconded the motion. Trustees Wagner and Amaro voted in favor of the motion, Trustees Wade and Cordova were opposed. The amendment fails for lack of majority.	
President Dorough then calls for the vote on Trustee Wade's motion. Trustees Wade and Cordova voted in favor of the motion. Trustees Wagner and Amaro were opposed. President Dorough voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.	
President Dorough entertained a motion calling for an Executive Session to discuss the Manager's evaluation and the letter from Federated Insurance.	EXECUTIVE SESSION
A motion was made by Trustee Amaro and seconded by Trustee Wagner calling for an Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.	
President Dorough called for an Executive Session. The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 2:10 p.m.	
The Board returned to Regular Session at 3:30 p.m.	REGULAR SESSION
A motion was made by Trustee Amaro and seconded by Trustee Wade to grant a 4% wage increase to Manager Herrera with the option of deferring a portion to a deferred compensation fund. Motion carried unanimously.	
There being no further items open for discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Amaro and Seconded by Trustee Cordova to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.	
President Dorough adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m.	

Leo C. Cordova, Secretary/Treasurer

APPROVED:

Anne L. Dorough, President

I, Leo C. Cordova, do hereby certify that I am the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of The Socorro Electric Cooperative, Inc., hereinafter called the "Cooperative" and the above is a true and exact copy of the Minutes Of the Regular Meeting held on December 17, 2014. A Quorum of Trustees was present and acted upon throughout the meeting and none of the Minutes of the above have been rescinded or modified.

Leo C. Cordova, Secretary/Treasurer

