

MINUTES
ANNUAL MEETING COMMITTEE MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THE SOCORRO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

JANUARY 13, 2012

An Annual Meeting Committee Meeting was held on Friday, January 13, 2012 in Socorro, New Mexico.

The meeting was called to order at 11:02 a.m. by Leroy Anaya, Chairman.

Members of the Committee present were Trustees Wade, Ulibarri, Aguilar and Wolberg.

Also present were Joseph Herrera, General Manager and Eileen Latasa, Administrative Assistant.

Chairman Anaya stated that the Purpose of the Meeting was to begin preparations for the 2012 Annual Members Meeting scheduled for Saturday, April 14, 2012.

Manager Herrera informed the Committee that the Notice for the Call to the Meeting would be published in the Enchantment this year which would save the SEC approximately \$5,000 in production of the Annual Meeting brochure. Cost savings of an additional \$2,300 in postage would be realized not to mention the time it takes for office employees to label and tab 9,800 notices.

Mrs. Latasa noted that the By-Laws would also be adhered to by utilizing the Enchantment. Manager Herrera added that instructions for requesting mail-in ballots would be included in the March consumer electric billing cycles.

Manager Herrera reported that he had sent RFP via e-mail to Automated Election Services and Survey & Ballot Systems on January 10, 2012, with a due date of January 20, 2012.

Manager Herrera proposed that the Meeting be held during the afternoon instead of at night.

After discussion, the Committee will propose to the Board that Registration be held from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. with the Call to Order at 3:00 p.m.

Discussion on awarding door prizes commenced. Manager Herrera stated that he planned on asking vendors to donate door prizes. The Committee also agreed, after some discussion, that door prizes donated by the SEC would not be given. Manager Herrera and Chairman Anaya would contact Tri-State about setting up a booth and making a donation for door prizes.

After discussion, the Committee agreed that refreshments would include Coffee, Punch and Cookies.

Manager Herrera also stated that it was his desire to have the Scholarship recipients for 2012, the successful high school students of the Government in Action Youth Tour, and the winner of the Coloring Contest present for introduction during the Annual Meeting.

A lengthy discussion ensued on who to ask to be the Guest Speaker since 2012 has been designated as the Year of the Cooperative.

The Committee suggested that Manager Herrera contact Hector Balderas, New Mexico State Auditor; Keven Groenewold, Exec. V.P. and General Manager of the NMRECA; TS Last, General Manager of the El Defensor Chieftain; Florencio Saavedra, Retired SEC Employee, Paul Harden, Columnist for the El Defensor Chieftain and a representative from Tri-State G&T, The Committee also agreed that possibly two (2) or three (3) guest speakers could give short five-minutes addresses.

The Committee also discussed who would sing the National Anthem. First choice would be either a junior high or high school choir; second choice would be Cathryn Chavez. Three other suggestions were discussed.

The Committee agreed to ask the Civil Air Patrol, or a local Girl Scout Troop or the FFA to do the Presentation of the Colors and the Pledge of Allegiance.

After discussion, the Committee agreed to have ask one of the Deacons of the San Miquel Catholic Church and Manuel Guerro of the Alamo Navajo Reservation to the Invocation.

The consensus of the Committee was for President Bustamante and Manager Herrera emcee the meeting and that no entertainment would be provided.

Discussion ensued on recognizing the Employees receiving Service Awards and other Recognition. It was agreed upon that Manager Herrera would introduce the employees present at the meeting.

A lengthy discussion also ensued on the utilization of election judges. It was the consensus of the Committee to utilize a judge from each district and they would assist with the mail-in ballots and the voting during the registration process.

There being no further items open for discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Aguilar and seconded by Trustee Wolberg to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Anaya adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m.