

MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THE SOCORRO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

JULY 22, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Socorro Electric Cooperative, Inc., was held on Wednesday, July 22, 2015 in Socorro, New Mexico.	INDEX
The meeting was called to order at 2:00 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	
MEMBERS ABSENT: None	
ALSO PRESENT: Joseph Herrera, General Manager Eileen Latasa, HR Manager/Executive Assistant Bruce Wiggins, Attorney David Montoya, Safety Compliance Officer Marilyn Madrid, Member Services Supervisor Tony Lopez, Line Foreman	
SEC MEMBERS PRESENT: Jimmy Dorough, John Larson, Donald Wolberg, Luis Aguilar, David L. Wade, J. Cherry, Cyndi M. Wade	
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
There being no additions or corrections to the Minutes for the Regular Meeting held on June 24, 2015, a motion was made by Trustee Wagner and seconded by Trustee Amaro to approve the Minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.	APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES
Donald Wolberg thanked Tri-State G&T for their assistance with the Renewable Energy Course and the Ted Turner Solar Project. (President Dorough added that Mr. Wolberg is one of the two candidates for the District III Trustee positions.)	PUBLIC COMMENTS
David Montoya thanked the Board on behalf of the Magdalena Schools for their generous donation.	
Attorney Wiggins reviewed the Minutes of the Credentials and Election Committee Meeting held on June 29, 2015.	LEGAL REPORT
No action was required by the Board on the Credentials and Election Meeting Report.	
Manager Herrera reported that Expenditures for June, 2015 totaled \$677,764.43. Manager Herrera gave a detailed report of Bryce Wilson’s work product associated to Check #50942.	EXPENDITURE REPORT
Trustee Wagner commented on Check #'s 50848 to Cordova Public Relations, #50889 to Wiggins, William’s and Wiggins, and #50942 to Bryce Wilson.	
There being no further questions on the Expenditure Report for June, 2015, President Dorough accepted the Expenditure Report as presented.	

There were no questions from the Board on the Credit Card Report; President Dorough accepted the report as presented.	CREDIT CARD REPORT
Manager Herrera explained the RUS Form 7 Report for June, 2015.	RUS FORM 7 REPORT
There being no questions from the Board, President Dorough accepted the RUS Form 7 Report as presented.	
Manager Herrera gave a report on the NMRECA Annual Meeting held in Taos, New Mexico.	NMRECA REPORT
Manager Herrera reviewed the following items with the Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Director Training in August in Albuquerque• Selection of NRECA Region X Voting Delegate• NMRECA Strategic Planning scheduled for October, 2015• NMRECA BBQ in September, 2015	
Manager Herrera reviewed the following items on the Tri-State Report with the Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supreme Court EPA Ruling• ColoWyo Mine Environmental Assessment by the Office of Surface Mining• Rate Design Discussion• FERC Ruling• San Juan Generating Plant• EPA 111D Ruling	TRI-STATE REPORT
After discussion, President Dorough accepted the Tri-State Report as information.	
Manager Herrera reported that HD Supply, SEC’s Sole Source Provider, was purchased by a firm out of Texas; POD Inc., SEC’s IT Contractor, was also purchased by a company from Albuquerque and that there was approximately one year remaining on each contract.	OTHER
Manager Herrera also reported that Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert and Moss, L.L.P. submitted their proposal for the 2015 Audit. Manager Herrera recommended that the SEC remain with BSGM, L.L.P. for the 2015 Audit.	
A motion was then made by Trustee Wagner and seconded by Trustee Amaro to accept Manager Herrera’s recommendation to accept the proposal submitted by BSGM L.L.P. to conduct the 2015 Audit. Motion carried unanimously.	
Mr. Montoya reported that there were no Loss Time Accidents during the month of June, 2015.	SAFETY REPORT
Mr. Montoya informed the Board that himself, Ricky Williams and Eileen Latasa attended an Accident Investigation Class presented by Bob Witter; that he is currently working on projects that require RESAP compliance; will be attending LEPC Meetings and giving a presentation at the next meeting.	
Mr. Montoya reported that invoices for new services are being paid in a timely manner and that SOLARO is looking at installing a 500 kva transformer for their new building on Hiway 60.	ENGINEERING REPORT
Mr. Lopez informed the Board that morale is good with the line crew and praised the crews for working together and that he has a good group of men to work with.	CONTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE REPORT
Mr. Lopez reported the crews are currently working on new services as payments are being made.	
Mr. Lopez also reported that work on the Lightning Arrestor Project is ongoing; work on upgrading cable within the City of Socorro is progressing and that tree-trimming	

is being done daily.	
Mr. Lopez reviewed the Outage Report by stating that although there were not many outages during the month, that most of the outages were weather related.	OUTAGE REPORT
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Ms. Madrid reviewed the Energy Delinquent Report for June, 2015.	ENERGY DELINQUENT REPORT
Ms. Madrid also reviewed the Section V and XII Delinquent Report for June, 2015	SECTION V & XII DELINQUENT REPORT
President Dorough accepted both reports as presented.	
Ms. Madrid reported that there were no new member complaints filed with the N.M.P.R.C. during June, 2015 and that one (1) complaint from the previous month is pending a determination by the P.R.C.	MEMBER CONCERNS
Secretary Cordova reported on the Member Application/Cancellation Report for June, 2015 as follows:	SECRETARY’S REPORT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Connects 1 Re-Connects 89 Disconnects 8 	
President Dorough accepted the Member Application/Cancellation Report for June, 2015 as presented.	
Secretary Cordova reviewed the Finance Committee Report and recommended that the Board accept the proposal submitted by POM’s and Associates to conduct the SEC Wage and Salary Review.	FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT
A motion was then made by Trustee Wade and seconded by Trustee Cordova to approve the recommendation by the Finance Committee to accept the proposal by POM’s and Associates to the conduct the SEC Wage and Salary Proposal.	
President Dorough called for a Five (5) Minutes Recess.	RECESS
*Trustee Amaro left the Meeting at 3:18 p.m.	
President Dorough called the meeting back to order.	RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION
President Dorough then called for the vote on Trustee Wade’s motion. Motion carried unanimously.	FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT, CONT.
Attorney Wiggins recommended the Retirement of Patronage Capital to the following Estates and Joint Accounts:	CAPITAL CREDIT RETIREMENTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Odell Emory \$1,078.68 Prescilla Herron \$ 841.86 Mrs. Luis C. Aragon \$ 535.43 Marshall Hester \$ 622.77 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dale P. Nunez \$ 507.01 James S. Gallegos \$ 426.72 Gilbert Gonzales \$ 514.23 Manuel Arvizu \$ 226.90 	
A motion was made by Trustee Cordova and seconded by Trustee Wade to approve the Retirement of Patronage Capital to the above-mentioned Estates and Joint Accounts. Motion carried unanimously.	
Trustees Cordova, Wagner and Dorough requested Board approval to attend the Tri-State Rate Design Roadshow on August 7, 2015 in Santa Fe, New Mexico.	CONSIDERATION/ APPROVAL OF TRUSTEE TRAVEL

It was the consensus of the Board that all three Trustees were approved to attend the Tri-State Rate Design Roadshow.

Manager Herrera informed the Board that a balance of \$800 in door prizes and vendor donations were left over from the May 16, 2015, Annual Member’s Meeting that could be given away at the Continuation Meeting scheduled for August 22, 2015.

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A motion was made by Trustee Wade and seconded by Trustee Cordova to give a \$25 Energy Credit on the electric bill of SEC Members that register at the meeting in addition to the \$800 and vendor donations and to include in member notices that the Door Prizes will be given away at the meeting. Motion carried with Trustee Wagner opposed.

There were no Line Extensions open for discussion.

LINE EXTENSIONS

A motion was made by Trustee Cordova and seconded by Trustee Wade to set the Date and Time for the Regular Meeting for August 26, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. as per Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

SET DATE/TIME FOR
NEXT REGULAR
MEETING

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

ADJOURNMENT

President Dorough adjourned the meeting at 3:29 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., herein called the “Cooperative” and the above is a true and exact copy of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 22, 2015. 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

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