

RUTHERFORD ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

Annual Meeting of Members

October 26, 2024

The 87th Annual Meeting of Members of Rutherford Electric Membership Corporation was held at Freedom High School in Morganton at 11:00 A.M. on the 26th day of October 2024.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Dean Carpenter, President of the Corporation, who presided, and Pamela Liverett acted as Recording Secretary of the meeting and kept the minutes thereof.

Call to Order

Director Robyn Houser led the members in the singing of “God Bless America.”

Signing

The President declared that based upon the ballots received prior to the deadline of October 24, 2024, as stated in the Notice of Meeting for this Annual Membership Meeting, we have determined that a Member Quorum exists. The Chairman presented a copy of the Notice of the Meeting, together with the proof of mailing to all members of the Corporation as required by the Bylaws. Such notice and proof were ordered to be annexed to the minutes of this meeting.

Quorum –
Member’s
Present

Notice of
Meeting

The minutes of the previous annual meeting were presented. It was moved, seconded and unanimously passed that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with and that the minutes be approved as if they had been read.

Minutes of
2023Meeting

Current directors were recognized, along with the REMC manager and attorney.

Recognition of
Directors, Nom.
Com. Chair

President Carpenter presented his report to the members and the Manager’s Report was presented by General Manager Dirk Burleson.

President’s
Report
Manager’s
Report

Chad Bailey, Rutherford EMC’s Youth Tour coordinator, explained the selection process for Youth Tour Participants and recognized the 2024 Youth Tour winners: Rutherford-Polk District-Daedin Boeckx, Lincoln-Gaston District-Catherine Key, and Lincoln-Gaston District-Katelin Vaher. Catherine Key then gave a summary of her youth tour experience in Washington, D.C. in June 2024.

Youth Tour
Summary

President Carpenter then recognized members in attendance from each county that REMC serves. He also recognized the eldest woman and man attending the meeting. The oldest person serving (or having served) in the military was recognized and the longest married couple was recognized.

Recognition of
Members

President Carpenter then thanked the Nominating Committee Members for their participation and service. ‘

Thanking the
Nominating
Committee

President Carpenter also thanked the Credentials and Election Committee Members for their participation and service.

Thanking
the
Election
Committee

Attorney Beth Miller assumed chairmanship of the meeting and explained REMC’s Bylaw provisions for the election of directors by district and term. Attorney Miller explained that the election of directors for 2024 has been conducted by written or electronic ballot. Attorney Miller presented the report from the Nominating Committee indicating the nominees for the election of directors by district were as follows:

Election of
Directors

District 1	J. Dean Carpenter	Gaston County
District 1	Marcus L. Mullen	Lincoln County
District 2	Joel Z. Wakefield	Burke County
District 3	Amy P. Torvinen	Rutherford County

Attorney Miller explained that nominations could also be made by petition; however, there were no petitions submitted. She asked that the Report of the Committee on Nominations be identified by the Secretary and annexed to the minutes of this meeting.

Attorney Miller stated that over 1,000 members participated in the election process by submitting their written ballots. She stated that The Credential and Election Committee members verified the ballots and tabulated the results.

Based upon the verified ballots received, J. Dean Carpenter for District 1; Marcus L. Mullen for District 1; Joel Z. Wakefield for District 2 and Amy P. Torvinen for District 3 were duly elected to serve until the expiration of their terms for which they were elected or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. Attorney Miller requested that the Secretary annex to the minutes the certificate declaring by name the directors elected.

Attorney Miller then asked for any additional business and there was none.

Attorney Miller obtained a motion and second that the meeting adjourns. Motion was unanimously passed.

Adjourn

Following the meeting, a total of thirty-five prizes were awarded to members by the drawing from registration cards. Two Amazon Fire Kids Edition tablets and two Raycon Bluetooth noise cancelling headphones for girls and boys were awarded by a drawing from a special registration of members’ children present at the meeting. This year’s grand prize was a \$500 bill credit. Four cash prizes of \$250 as well four-\$250 bill credits; and five \$100 bill credits were also awarded.

Awarding of
Prizes

After the prize drawing, refreshments were served to members and guests attending the meeting.

A separate prize drawing was held the week after the Annual Meeting for members that mailed in their ballots prior to the Annual Meeting. Cash prizes of 15-\$100's, 4-\$250's, 2-\$750's and 1-\$1,000 were awarded.

Recording Secretary

Approved: _____
President