

**DELAWARE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**January 15, 2025**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Delaware Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held at the Delaware Electric Cooperative headquarters in Greenwood, Delaware, on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. Chair Patricia S. Dorey called the meeting to order. The following directors were present: Bruce R. Walton, Laura T. Phillips, Hunter Emory, William P. Haughey, Jr., Charles L. Towles, Jr. (virtual), Blaine M. Daisey, Michael K. Brown, Mark Abbott, Jeffrey Chorman, and Thomas Brown (virtual).

Also present at the meeting were Dwayne Street, Troy Dickerson, Kevin Yingling, Bruce Campbell, Dawn Smart, Jesse Spampinato, Kyle Bouika, Mark Anderson, Lucas Zlock and Lauren Freese, who recorded the minutes of the meeting.

**INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Invocation was given by Director Bruce Walton, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Minutes of the regular meeting of December 18, 2024, were approved.

**CORPORATE CALENDAR**

It was noted that the corporate calendar was part of this month's BoardEffect book and covered the period January through March 2025.

**SAFETY STRATEGY INNOVATION PRESENTATION**

Manager Safety and Security, Mark Anderson presented the Safety Strategy Innovation report to the Board.

**HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT**

Vice President, Dawn Smart, updated the Board on highlights of the 2024 LEAD program, litigation, training, and development.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

There was no financial report as the GL remains open a few weeks longer into January to ensure transactions are recorded in the proper year.

Vice President, Bruce Campbell shared the timeline for the 2024 audit which includes the auditors being on-site February 17 – 21 and a pre-audit meeting with the Audit Committee on February 19.

### **ENGINEERING REPORT**

Vice President, Troy Dickerson reported on statistics in the department for 2024.

### **OPERATIONS REPORT**

Vice President, Jesse Spampinato reported on three circuit outage events in December, and system reliability.

### **TECHNOLOGY REPORT**

Vice President, Kyle Bouika reported on business intelligence and cyber security.

### **MEMBER SERVICES REPORT**

Vice President, Kevin Yingling reviewed communication statistics for 2024. He and Manager of Energy Services, Lucas Zlock shared information regarding community solar and American Holly Solar. The Board approved the American Holly (Wells) project proposal as presented at a total cost of \$9,224,410.

### **BOARDEFFECT APPENDIX DOCUMENTS**

More information for each of the departments (Human Resources, Accounting & Finance, Engineering, Operations, Technology and Member Services) can be found in this month's BoardEffect appendix documents.

### **ODEC REPORT**

Director Michael Brown shared that the Board would be meeting on January 21.

### **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Jamie Nutter shared that the 153<sup>rd</sup> general assembly convenes today. Director Towles reminded the Board and staff about the Legislative luncheon being held on March 20.

### **COO REPORT**

Chief Operating Officer, Dwayne Street gave updates on the building renovation, culture plan and asked that the Board meetings begin at 9:00 am starting with the March 19 meeting. Starting with the February 19 Board meeting, and until the building renovation is completed, all Board meetings will take place at the Food Bank of Delaware located in Milford.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Having no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 pm.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chair Pat Dorey called for an Executive Session. The Board exited the Executive Session and adjourned the board meeting at 3:45 pm.

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Secretary

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Chairperson