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**Wiregrass Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Board of Trustees
August Board Meeting
Monday, August 19, 2024, 7:15 pm - 8:15 pm
Hartford**

I. Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Wiregrass Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held on August 19th, 2024, at the Headquarters Office of the Cooperative in Geneva County, Alabama.

II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation was given by John Clark Jr. and Debra Eubanks Baxley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Those Absent

IV. Introduction of Guests

V. Action Items-Agenda

A. Approve Consent Agenda

Items included in the Consent Agenda include the review and approval of the Hours Worked Report; the Approval of Minutes from July 18th, 2024, Board of Trustees Meeting, and a special Meeting of the Board on July 19, 2024, and to Vote on 263 persons who have requested membership in the Cooperative in July and who have complied with requirements of the By-Laws, and who are now receiving service. Vote off 232 members who have ceased to receive electric service in July, and who have requested to withdraw their membership.

B. Consider Approval - Petitions

Management recommends the acceptance of Petitions for Trustee Nominations as valid candidates for election. District 2 (Randy Odom), District 5 (Tracy Reeder) and District 8 (Greg McCullough) are up for re-election at the annual meeting to be held October 18th, 2024. Petitions were received from: District 2 (Randy Odom), District 5 (Tracy Reeder), District 8 (Greg McCullough), and District 8 (Cassandra Morris).

Move: Danny McNeil Second: Donald Ray Wilks Status:
Passed

C. Consider Approval - Operation Round Up Board Member District 3

Hayden Camp resigned from the Operation Round Up Board effective August 15th, 2024. Wiregrass Electric Board Member, Mr. John Clark Jr., presents _____ for approval to step into the role of Operation Round Up Board Member for District 3.

Move: Second: Status: Tabled

D. Consider Approval - Electronic Banking Transactions

Management recommends the following authorized parties to initiate and confirm electronic transactions on behalf of the Cooperative; Misti Dixon, VP of Finance & Accounting; Mark Olive, Accountant; Kaylynn Peel, Accountant. Full Authorities shall be assigned and determined by Misti Dixon, VP of Finance & Accounting as determined to be in the best interest of the internal controls of Wiregrass Electric Cooperative. All prior authorization of the following individuals shall henceforth be rescinded: Les Moreland, Lisa LeNoir, and Kay Sullivan. Motion,

Move: Debra Eubanks Baxley Second: Donald Ray Wilks Status: Passed

E. Consider Approval - Electronic Drafts

Management recommends approval to rescind authorization for Blair Padgett to submit electronic drafts of funds for members to pay their accounts (ACH Debits) on behalf of Wiregrass Electric and authorize Cassy Haveard to submit electronic drafts of funds for members to pay their accounts (ACH Debits) on behalf of Wiregrass Electric.

Move: Donald Ray Wilks Second: Danny McNeil Status: Passed

VI. Brad Kimbro- Chief Executive Officer

VII. Report from Audit & Finance Committee

Trustee, Kip Justice, relayed that there was no report from the Audit and Finance committee.

VIII. Misti Dixon, VP of Finance & Accounting

Misti Dixon, VP of Finance & Accounting, presented the Financial and Operating Report for July. A motion was made to accept the operating report as presented, to include the 09-2024 PCA recommendation of a 3.0 mill credit followed by a second.

Move: Kip Justice Second: Randy Odom Status: Passed

IX. Report from Corporate Planning and E&O Committee

Trustee, Greg McCullough, relayed that there was no report from the Corporate Planning and E&O committee.

X. Report of Legal Activities- Russ Parrish

XI. Report from AREA (Debra Eubanks Baxley, AREA Representative)

Alabama Rural Electric Association Board of Trustees Meeting was held on July 15th, 2024 and discussion was held concerning the same, led by AREA Trustee representative, Debra Eubanks Baxley. The next AREA Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on September 26th, 2024.

XII. Report from PowerSouth (Kip Justice, PSE Representative)

Power South's Board of Trustees Meeting was held on July 26th, 2024; discussion was held concerning the same, led by Power South Trustee representative, Kip Justice. The next Power South Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on August 23rd, 2024.

XIII. Next Board Meeting

The next regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 24th, 2024 at the Hartford office of the Cooperative. Committees will meet at 6:15 p. m. with the board meeting immediately following.

XIV. Adjourn

Motion was made to conclude this meeting of the Cooperative Board of Trustees. Motion, Tracy Reeder; Second, Donald Ray Wilks.



President



Secretary

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