

CLAIBORNE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 28, 2021

- ❖ **Call to Order** – Mr. Elkins called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
- ❖ **Invocation** – Mr. Kitchens offered an invocation on behalf of the group.
- ❖ **Pledge** – Mr. Elkins led the group in the pledge of allegiance.
- ❖ **Attendance**
 - Hez Elkins, President
 - Phillip Fincher, Vice President
 - Rand Killgore
 - Lane Davidson
 - Scott Jones
 - Leroy Perritt
 - Butch Sensley
 - Benjamin Abshire - via phone
 - Others in attendance
 - Mark Brown, CEO
 - Kathy Tanner, CFO
 - Paul E. Kitchens, Corporate Counsel
 - Lisa Ledbetter, Administrative Assistant
 - Mike Hallum – Annual Audit
- ❖ **Request for Items to be Added to the Agenda** – None
- ❖ **Audit Report** – Mr. Mike Hallum presented the 2020 CEC annual audit report and took questions from the board. Upon motion by Mr. Killgore duly seconded by Mr. Perritt, the board approved the 2020 CEC annual audit report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- ❖ **Consent Agenda** – Mr. Elkins entertained a motion by Mr. Davidson duly seconded by Mr. Killgore to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
 - Approve August 31, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - Approve Expense Reports
 - Accept New Members
 - Approve Capital Credits
 - Approve Monthly Loss Control & Safety Report
 - Approve Homer & Farmerville Operations Report
- ❖ **Attorney Report** – Mr. Kitchens requested that the board enter into executive session to discuss his report on the legal matters currently facing the Cooperative. Upon motion by M. Davidson duly seconded by Dr. Fincher, the board entered into executive session to discuss the legal matters facing the Cooperative. Upon motion by Mr. Davidson duly seconded by Mr. Sensley, the board rose from executive session for the purpose of discussing the legal matters facing the Cooperative.

Mr. Kitchens' report was then approved on a motion made by Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Killgore.

- ❖ **ALEC Report** – Mr. Davidson made a brief report on the ALEC meeting held via conference call. Mr. Davidson's report was then approved on a motion made by Dr. Fincher and seconded by Mr. Jones.

- ❖ **1803 Power Supply Cooperative** – Dr. Fincher gave a brief 1803 Power Supply Cooperative report. Dr. Fincher's report was approved on a motion by Mr. Perritt and duly seconded by Mr. Killgore.

- ❖ **Financial Report** – Ms. Tanner made the monthly financial report.
 - August 2021 Financial Report – This report was approved on a motion made by Mr. Davidson and seconded by Mr. Sensley.
 - Write-offs – The write-off report was approved on a motion made by Mr. Killgore and seconded by Mr. Jones.

- ❖ **CEO's Report** – Mr. Brown called attention to his written report presented to the Directors and invited any questions.
 - Operation Round Up Update
 - Travel Restrictions
 - Personnel Changes
 - Director Search
 - ALEC/Newsletter Discussion

Upon motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Sensley, the CEO report was unanimously approved with the recommendation that CEC withdraw our participation in the Louisiana Country magazine with ALEC.

- ❖ **Approve Meeting Expenses** – Mr. Elkins then accepted a motion made by Mr. Sensley and seconded by Mr. Perritt to approve the expenses associated with this meeting. The motion carried.

- ❖ **Confirm Next Meeting Date** – Mr. Elkins confirmed the date of our next Board meeting.

October 26, 2021 at 6:30 pm in Homer

- ❖ **Adjourn** – The meeting was then adjourned upon a motion made by Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Perritt.

The minutes above were approved by the board of directors during its regularly scheduled meeting held on October 26, 2021.

Hez Elkins, President

Phillip Fincher, Vice President/Acting Secretary -Treasurer