

**CLAIBORNE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**JANUARY 3, 2023**

- ❖ **Call to Order** – Mr. Elkins called the meeting to order at 6 pm.
- ❖ **Invocation**
- ❖ **Pledge** – Mr. Elkins led the group in the pledge of allegiance.
- ❖ **Attendance**
  - Hez Elkins, President
  - Phillip Fincher, Vice President
  - Rand Killgore, via phone
  - Lane Davidson
  - Scott Jones
  - Leroy Perritt
  - Butch Sensley
  - Benjamin Abshire
  - Jody Woodard
  - Others in attendance
    - Mark Brown, CEO
    - Kathy Tanner, CFO
    - Paul E. Kitchens, Corporate Counsel - absent
    - Lisa Ledbetter, Administrative Assistant
- ❖ **Request for Items to be Added to the Agenda** – None
- ❖ **Consent Agenda** – Mr. Elkins entertained a motion by Dr. Fincher duly seconded by Mr. Davidson to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
  - Approve November 29, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes
  - Approve Expense Reports
  - Accept New Members
  - Approve Capital Credits
  - Approve Monthly Loss Control & Safety Report
  - Approve Homer & Farmerville Operations Report

Upon motion by Mr. Davidson duly seconded by Mr. Abshire, the board entered into executive session to discuss Strategic and Long-Term Planning issues facing the Cooperative.

- ❖ **Attorney Report**
- ❖ **1803 Power Supply Cooperative**

Upon motion by Mr. Davidson duly seconded by Mr. Sensley, the board rose from executive session.

The Attorney's report and Dr. Fincher's 1803 report were approved on a motion made by Mr. Abshire and duly seconded by Mr. Woodard.

- ❖ **ALEC Report** – No December Meeting
- ❖ **Financial Report** – Ms. Tanner made the monthly financial report.
  - November 2022 Financial Report – The financial report was approved on a motion made by Mr. Abshire and seconded by Dr. Fincher.
  - Write-offs – The write-off report was approved on a motion made by Mr. Davidson and seconded by Mr. Perritt.
- ❖ **CEO's Report** – Mr. Brown gave a report on the following:
  - 2023 Nominations – District 3, 7, 8
  - ACRE Dues due in January
  - NRECA National Conference – Nashville, TN; March 3-8, 2023
  - 620.5 Paid Time Off – Upon motion by Mr. Jones and duly seconded by Mr. Woodard, the updates to policy 620.5 Paid Time Off were approved.
  - CEO Recruitment and Transition – to be discussed in detail during the February 2023 meeting.

Upon motion by Mr. Davidson duly seconded by Dr. Fincher, the CEO report was approved as presented.

- ❖ **Executive Session (if needed) to discuss Strategic and Long-Term planning - None**
- ❖ **Approve Meeting Expenses** – Mr. Elkins then accepted a motion made by Mr. Woodard and seconded by Mr. Abshire to approve the expenses associated with this meeting. The motion carried.
- ❖ **Confirm Next Meeting Date** – Mr. Elkins confirmed the date of our next regular Board meeting – January 31, 2023.
- ❖ **Adjourn** – The meeting was then adjourned upon a motion made by Mr. Davidson and seconded by Mr. Perritt.

**The minutes above were approved by the board of directors during its regularly scheduled meeting held on January 31, 2023.**

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Hez Elkins, President

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Scott Jones, Secretary -Treasurer