

## REGULAR MEETING OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

March 26, 2018

A regular meeting of the members of the Board of Trustees of Fairfield Electric Cooperative, Inc., was held on Monday, March 26, 2018, at 12:30 p.m. at the cooperative headquarters in Blythewood, South Carolina. The following board members were present:

Joseph E. Sharpe	Robert Entzminger	Robert K. Miles
William C. Good	Allen L. Beer	John A. Bloodworth, Jr.
Peggy B. Jeffcoat	Mitchell D. Rabon	Timothy L. Hopkins
John E. Roberts, III	Donald Keith Lewis	

Attorney Ken DuBose was also present.

President Joseph Sharpe called the meeting to order and the invocation was given by Robert Entzminger.

Upon motion made by John Bloodworth, seconded by Mitchell Rabon, motion carried, the minutes of the meeting held on February 19, 2018, were approved as presented."

William L. Hart, Chief Executive Officer, introduced Bryan Isgett and Randy Nichols of McNair, McLemore, & Middlebrooks who presented and discussed the 2017 audit report. Following questions and discussions regarding employee benefits and the deferred compensation plans for the CEO, the auditor's recommendation was to have an evaluation of retirement benefits and other benefits done by an independent consultant such as Mercer that only analyzes the plan and has no financial gain in selling products to the cooperative. Upon motion made by John Bloodworth, seconded by Allen Beer, motion carried, the 2017 audit report was accepted as information.

Upon motion made by William Good, seconded by John Roberts, motion carried, the 198 new consumers for the month of February 2018 were accepted as members of Fairfield Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Mark Connor, Vice President, Finance, presented and discussed the financial and statistical reports for the month of February 2018.

William Hart reported board members for Fairfield Electric Trust Corporation for Operation Round Up will need to be appointed at the April meeting. Beverly Grier from District 1 and Randy Frick from District 2 are eligible for a second term. Norman Nelson from District 3 is not eligible to serve another term after having served two consecutive terms. The next Round Up board meeting will be held on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

William Hart reported four new security systems were sold and two were converted from other companies within the last month.

William Hart reminded everyone the Member Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 26, at 7:00 p.m. at the cooperative.

William Hart advised an electric skillet will be given as a registration gift at annual meeting.

William Hart reported the following high school juniors have been selected as the 2018 Washington Youth Tour Representatives:

Jeffery Feaster	-	Fairfield Central High School
Katherine Clippard	-	Lugoff-Elgin High School
Alex Stribling	-	Lugoff-Elgin High School
Reilly Arford	-	Ridge View High School

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William Hart provided updates regarding the Central –vs- Santee Cooper lawsuit regarding the nuclear plant failure. Attorney DuBose discussed the class action lawsuit in Hampton County and issues resulting with the plant failure.

A list of delinquent accounts totaling \$4,594.66 for the month of February 2018 was presented for consideration for write off as uncollectible. Upon motion made by Keith Lewis, seconded by John Bloodworth, motion carried, authorization was granted to write these off against the cooperative's reserve for uncollectible accounts.

A list of deceased patron's estates requesting payment of their capital credits was presented for consideration. After discussion and upon motion made by John Bloodworth, seconded by Allen Beer, motion carried, the following resolution was adopted:

The estates of 20 deceased members have requested the Board of Directors give consideration to approving the retirement of \$7,856.06 as an administrative convenience to the estates. After reviewing the Cooperative's financial statements and determining such retirement will not adversely impact the Cooperative's financial condition, Management recommends capital credits totaling \$7,856.06 be approved for payment. In addition, it should be noted that such approval does not obligate this Board or any future Board to retire the capital credits of the estates of deceased members presented at any future date.

President Sharpe recommended the cooperative give away a 2009 Chevrolet Silverado truck as the "Grand Prize" at annual meeting. Upon motion made by William Good, seconded by Keith Lewis, motion carried, this was approved.

A report of the Nominating Committee meeting held on March 19 was provided. The committee elected Lonnie Campbell as Chairman and Cathy Montgomery as Secretary. The following persons were nominated to offer for trustees of Fairfield Electric Cooperative at the 2018 annual meeting:

District 1

John E. Roberts, III

District 2

Joseph E. Sharpe

District 3

William C. Good

The ECSC Summer Board Meeting scheduled for June 3 – 6 at Wild Dunes was presented and discussed. Upon motion made by Allen Beer, seconded by John Bloodworth, motion carried, the following were authorized to attend: John Bloodworth, Keith Lewis, John Roberts, Kenny Miles, Robert Entzminger, Tim Hopkins, and Joseph Sharpe.

A construction contract with Lee Electrical Construction in the amount of \$479,200.96 was approved for the Highway 34 rebuild project which was also included in the current work plan. Upon motion made by Keith Lewis, seconded by John Bloodworth, motion carried, the contract was approved.

John Bloodworth reported on the upcoming Spring Trustee Association Conference.

There was no old business to come before the board.

Under new business, William Hart reported travel information will be mailed to those attending the NRECA Legislative Conference.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion made, seconded, and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Peggy B. Jeffcoat, Secretary

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph E. Sharpe, President