

**YORK ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES**

**January 26, 2021**

**Board Members Present: Carolyn Boyd, Tommie Bratton, Jack Cornwell, Will Mitchell, Paul Poston, Richard Roach, Richard Sadler, Tom Settlemyre**

**Others Present: Paul Basha, John Tiencken and Carol Newman. Brian Scott, David Swenson, and Marc Howie were present for a portion of the meeting.**

**The Board of Trustees of the York Electric Cooperative, Inc., met at the office of the Cooperative on Tuesday, January 26, 2021, at 12:00 for lunch, with the Board meeting convening immediately afterward. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tom Settlemyre. The invocation was given by Jack Cornwell. A quorum was present; therefore, it was in order to transact any necessary business of the Cooperative.**

**Employee Brian Scott was recognized and commended for his excellent work in Information Systems.**

**David Swenson, Director of York County Economics provided an update on what Economics Development is doing in the community and their plans for the future.**

**Upon motion made and duly seconded, the items on the consent agenda as listed below were approved as written and presented:**

**Approval of Minutes of:**

**December 11, 2020 Board Meeting  
November Financial Report  
December Unaudited Financial Report  
December Safety/Loss Control Report  
Approval of Total Bad Debt Write-Off For 2020 - \$138,717.01  
Review and Approval of New and Refunded Memberships:  
December – New 565; Refunded – 386  
2020 Deferred Revenue Board Resolution**

**The upcoming meetings were discussed.**

**Mr. Basha reviewed and discussed the Succession Plan – Policy 1008 which is required per policy to be completed on an annual basis.**

**Mr. Basha reviewed and discussed approval of three proposed Fiber Design Engineering firm contracts. The Board approved to give the contract to the lowest price proposal: McCall-Thomas Engineering Company. Upon motion made and duly seconded, the Board approved this engineering firm recommendation.**

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**Mr. Tiencken reviewed and discussed approval of the New Board Districting Bylaws. The redistricting will consist of changing from nine districts to three with three Trustees in each district. With this change, the staggering of terms was reset which means at the beginning of 2022, there will be one Trustee up for election from each district at each Annual meeting. District 1 and District 5 terms expired at the same time so a coin toss was performed, and District 5's term will be extended by one year to meet the criteria for these Bylaw changes. Upon motion made and duly seconded, the Board approved recommending this bylaw to the membership at the 2021 Annual Meeting.**

**The Board continued the Bylaw review for Article V – Trustees. This is an annual review with no changes recommended.**

**Mr. Basha gave a legislative update. There is a bill that is going to the House today regarding Santee Cooper.**

**Mr. Basha gave an update on the Employee Incentives for 2020. YEC ended the year with no OSHA recordable incidents and a very high member satisfaction survey score.**

**Mr. Basha gave a report on ECSC Safety Award. YEC was awarded the 2020 President's Safety Contest Award for one of the largest cooperatives in the state.**

**John Tiencken offered brief comments regarding Central Electric and Santee Cooper.**

**Mr. Basha updated the Board on several land issues.**

**There was nothing to report from the Trustee Association currently.**

**The CEO's Report included the following:**

- 1) Mr. Basha gave an update on the virus, capital credits and credit cards.**
- 2) Mr. Basha reviewed several cost saving initiatives that have benefited the YEC membership.**
- 3) Mr. Basha asked the Board's blessing to keep the office lobbies closed until June 1, 2021.**
- 4) Mr. Basha shared a video created by York County Economics Development on the East York Industrial Park.**

**There being no further business, upon motion made and duly seconded, the meeting was adjourned.**

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**Carolyn Boyd  
Secretary/Treasurer**