

# MEETING MINUTES



## July 28, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

### Dakota Electric Association Board Members in Attendance

#### DISTRICT 1

John DeYoe  
David Jones  
Jerry Pittman

#### DISTRICT 2

Bill Middlecamp  
Clay Van De Bogart

#### DISTRICT 3

Bill Holton  
Margaret Schreiner

#### DISTRICT 4

Paul Bakken  
Judy Kimmes  
Stacy Miller

### Staff in Attendance

Jon Beyer  
Melissa Cherney

Corey Hintz  
Betty Jo Kiesow

Adam Heinen  
Greg Miller

Mjyke Nelson  
Jeff Schoenecker

### Guests and Members in Attendance

Sara McGrane

Steve Yoch

### Minutes

TOPIC	DETAILS
<b>Call to order</b>	Chair Paul Bakken called the regular meeting of the Dakota Electric Association Board of Directors to order at 8:30 a.m. and presided. A quorum was present.
	✓ A motion was made, seconded and carried to move into executive session.
<b>Executive Closed Session</b>	The CEO Search Committee provided an update related to transition planning. Directors, Attorney Sara McGrane and Melissa Cherney were present.
	✓ A motion was made, seconded and carried to move into regular session.
<b>Agenda Adoption</b>	✓ A motion was made, seconded and carried to adopt the agenda.
<b>Approval of the Consent Agenda</b>	✓ A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the consent agenda as amended. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minutes of June 30 2022 Board Meeting</li><li>• 2023 Board and Annual Meeting Dates</li><li>• Charitable Organization Annual Report – Resolution 22-7-2</li></ul>

<b>Attorney Monthly Board Fees</b>	<p>Attorney Sara McGrane provided an update regarding a new process for approval of attorney fees due to privacy concerns. This item was pulled from the consent agenda.</p> <p>✓ A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the attorney monthly board fees.</p>
<b>Event and Meeting Delegates</b>	<p>Directors Stacy Miller, Judy Kimmes and Terry Donnelly agreed to represent Dakota Electric at the Dakota County Fair 4-H Livestock Auction on August 13, 2022.</p> <p>Director John DeYoe will attend as delegate; and Bill Middlecamp as alternate delegate to the NRECA/CFC District 6 Meeting in Minneapolis on September 21-23, 2022.</p> <p>Chair Paul Bakken, Vice President of Regulatory Services Adam Heinen and CEO Greg Miller will attend the NARUC Meeting in New Orleans, LA from November 13-16, 2022.</p>
<b>Safety Update</b>	<p>Manager of Safety Services Brandon Lunde provided a safety update including 2022 initiatives, damages, injury statistics, near miss reporting and COVID-19. Mr. Lunde then highlighted this year's training events and the Dakota Electric demonstration and educational events for children and adults.</p>
<b>CEO Report</b>	<p>CEO Miller provided an overview of this month's report highlighting the new cooperative scorecard. Vice President of Energy and Member Services Jon Beyer discussed recent LCR failures in two relay units due to possible loose connections. Dakota Electric will recall two relay units and replace with three relay units. Letters have gone out to members affected stating the recall and will be exchanged out in the next month.</p>
<b>Capital Credits Education</b>	<p>Finance Controller Carla Henke presented an educational review of capital credits highlighting what capital credits are, the capital credit cycle and how they are allocated.</p>
<b>Attorney Update</b>	<p>Attorney Sara McGrane provided an overview of this month's work on Dakota Electric related topics.</p>
<b>Quarterly Finance Update</b>	<p>CFO Corey Hintz provided a quarterly finance report noting sales are 17.4 M lower than planned and revenue is 2.6 M favorable to plan.</p>
<b>Great River Energy</b>	<p>Directors Margaret Schreiner and Clay Van De Bogart provided a Great River Energy update including a possible rate increase; an action item to recommend transition for the Connexus board; and noted that June 20 resulted in the highest peak ever of 5.6M.</p>
<b>Minnesota Rural Electric Association</b>	<p>Director Stacy Miller provided a Minnesota Rural Electric Association update and spoke to upcoming trainings and seminars available including the CCD Accelerated Training.</p>
<b>CoBank Energy Conference Update</b>	<p>Director John DeYoe provided an overview of the conference highlighting the new Ford Lightning electric pick-up truck.</p>
<b>Executive Closed Session</b>	<p>✓ A motion was made, seconded and carried to move into closed session.</p> <p>The board discussed questions related to the upcoming Great River Energy All Member Meeting on August 1. Directors, Attorney Steve Yoch and staff were present.</p>
<b>Adjournment</b>	<p>✓ A motion was made, seconded and carried to adjourn at 12:53 p.m.</p>