

Berkeley Electric Cooperative  
Board Meeting  
March 28, 2022  
Minutes

The Berkeley Electric Cooperative Board of Trustee's meeting was held **Monday, March 28, 2022, at 1:00 P.M.** at the Headquarters in Moncks Corner.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman DeWitt, Mr. DeWitt gave the invocation and we stood to honor the flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Trustees were present:

<b>Connie Shuler</b>	<b>Henry H. Chavis, Sr.</b>	<b>Robert Vandross</b>
<b>Willis Sanders</b>	<b>H. Wayne DeWitt</b>	
<b>Sam Gourdine</b>	<b>Sheila Powell</b>	

Harry Brunson participated via telephone. President & CEO Michael S. Fuller, Executive Administrator Ashley Edens, and the following staff: VP of Finance Joel Stevens, Moncks Corner District Line Superintendent Kevin Mizzell, Director of Technical Training Patrick Gailey, Communications and Media Specialist Micah Ponce as well as General Counsel John B. Williams were in attendance as well. We also had Russ Roundtree from McNair, McLemore, Middlebrooks was also in attendance to present the 2021 Audit Report.

Chairman DeWitt called for approval of minutes from the February's board meeting which was held on February 21, 2022. Upon motion by Mr. Chavis, seconded by Mr. Vandross, and unanimously passed; it was

**RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the minutes of the February 21, 2022, as presented.**

## **2022 Linemen Rodeo Results-Mr. Mizzell and Mr. Gailey**

Mr. Mizzell and Mr. Gailey gave a brief overview of the results of the linemen rodeo and how our BEC teams competed. The team led by **William Burbage** and won second overall and placed first in three of the five events. BEC teams placed first and second in hurt-man rescue. Three apprentices placed in two events and won first, second and third in hurt-man rescue. One apprentice placed third in two events.

Here's a full breakdown of the results:

- Journeyman Team #1 - **William Burbage, Mark Milovich, Corey Thomas**
  - 2nd Place Overall
  - Hurt-man Rescue - 1st
  - Crossarm, Knots and Ties - 1st
  - OCR, Polybell Changeout - 1st
  - Mystery Event - 3rd
- Journeyman Team #2 - **Henry Owens, Steve Fulton, Lucas Ackerman**
  - Hurt-man Rescue - 2nd
- Apprentice #1 - **Robbie Harrelson**
  - Hurt-man Rescue - 3rd
  - Obstacle Course - 3rd
- Apprentice #2 - **Kevin Rhode**
  - Hurt-man Rescue - 2nd
  - Obstacle Course - 1st
- Apprentice #3 - **Kevin Mchoney**
  - Hurt-man Rescue - 1st

## **2021 Audit Review-Mr. Roundtree**

Mr. Fuller asked Mr. Roundtree to present the 2021 Audit Report to the Board. After some discussion, upon motion by Mr. Vandross seconded by Mrs. Shuler and unanimously passed; it was

**RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the 2021 Audit Report as submitted by CPA Russ Roundtree.**

## **Touchstone Energy Presentation-Mr. Ponce**

Mr. Ponce gave a presentation on the benefits of us being a part of Touchstone Energy.

## **Committee Reports**

### **ECSC Board Report-Willis Sanders**

Mr. Sanders stated the ECSC board meeting was held on February 3<sup>rd</sup> via Webex online conference system.

### **Central Meeting Report – Mr. DeWitt**

Mr. DeWitt stated that the Central's board met and discussed several topics. The main topic was the deadline to opt in or opt out and the decision would have to be by May 11<sup>th</sup> and that was approaching quickly.

### **CEEUS Meeting Report-Mr. Gourdine**

Mr. Gourdine stated that the CEEUS Trade Show will be on March 30, 2022, please mark your calendars. The next board meeting will be on April 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Audit Report Committee-**

The following board members were assigned to the Audit Committee: Sheila Powell, Sam Gourdine, Wayne DeWitt. Willis Sanders was asked to step in and fill the vacant position left from Mr. McFadden's passing.

The Audit Committee meet and approved expense reports from November through February.

The Audit asked that the Staff please note on the meal receipts who attended the breakfast or lunch meetings. Also, for every board member to please sign and date every expense report.

Upon motion by Mr. Vandross, seconded by Mrs. Shuler, and unanimously passed; it was

**RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the expense reports that were submitted during the audit committee.**

**Financial Reports- Mr. Stevens**

Mr. Stevens reviewed the financial reports January 2022. Mr. Stevens reviewed over portions of the statement of operations and the balance on the Form 7.

**President/CEO Reports-Mr. Fuller**

Mr. Fuller said that he meet with the new CEO of Santee Cooper and was very positive about building back relationships with the Coops.

We will be hosting a 5K race to raise money for the Bright Ideas program on April 30, 2022 at Cypress Gardens.

**Attorney Report-Mr. Williams**

Mr. Williams discussed a few legal cases that he is working on.

**New Business-**

The Chairman then called for new business. There was none.

**Old Business – None.**

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made to adjourn.

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H. Wayne DeWitt, Chairman

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Connie Shuler, Secretary

