Berkeley Electric Cooperative **Board Meeting**

> May 22, 2023 Minutes

The Berkeley Electric Cooperative Board of Trustee's meeting was held Monday.

May 22, at 1:00 P.M. at the Moncks Corner Headquarters.

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

The following Trustees were present:

H. Wayne DeWitt Connie Shuler

Henry H. Chavis, Sr.

Willis Sanders

Denver Lee Clayton

Robert "Bob" Jenkins

Sam Gourdine

Sheila Powell

Robert Vandross

President & CEO Michael S. Fuller, Executive Administrator Ashley Edens, and the following staff: VP of Finance Joel Stevens, Public Relations Specialist Yajaira Bess as well as General Counsel John B. Williams were in attendance.

Chairman DeWitt called for approval of minutes from the April board meeting which was held on April 24, 2023. Upon motion by Mrs. Powell, seconded by Mr. Clayton, and unanimously passed; it was

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the minutes of the April 24, 2023, as presented.

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Committee Reports

Central Meeting Report - Mr. DeWitt

Mr. DeWitt gave a brief overview of the last board meeting that was held on May 10th. They discussed the need for natural gas generation while focusing on transmission infrastructure. Andrew Hall presented a recommendation to approve a Duke PPA Amendment to allow the recovery of costs associated with Duke-owed solar facilities which would have a minor impact on Central cost. The executive committee will meet in June. There will be a 2023 Strategic planning meeting scheduled in December.

ECSC Meeting Report-Mr. Sanders

Mr. Sanders gave a brief overview of the last communications meeting and gave an update on the Washington Tour and Youth Summit. Berkeley will be sending eight kids to the Washington Tour and ten to the Youth Summit. Mr. Sanders gave an update on the magazine subscription and the budget development for ECSC.

Financial Reports- Mr. Stevens

Mr. Stevens reviewed the financial reports from March 2023. Mr. Stevens reviewed portions of the statement of operations and the balance on Form 7.

President/CEO Reports-Mr. Fuller

Mr. Fuller gave a brief update on the Gaff-n-Go rodeo results. Our teams did very good, and some teams will go to compete in the international rodeo in Kansas City. We will be hosting next year's rodeo at Berkeley's headquarters on March 15th.

Mr. Fuller stated that there would be a staff and board treat on June 15th and June 16th at the Wampee Conference Center. Mr. Fuller went over the agenda for the retreat.

NRECA PAC Rebranded-Mrs. Bess

Mrs. Bess discussed the rebranding of PAC to Americas Electric Cooperatives PAC. She also stated that she would like to keep Berkeley at the Century Club contribution level by having each board member donate \$100. This will need to be turned in by the next board meeting.

Attorney Report-Mr. Williams

Mr. Williams discussed a few legal cases that he is working on. Mr. Williams discussed about a member requesting to attend board meeting and the Board agreed to send the documentation to member to attend board meeting.

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.

H. Wayne DeWitt, Chairman

Connie Shuler, Secretary