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H-D ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING May 20, 2025 (Summary)

President Rogness called the meeting to order.

Secretary Moritz called Roll: Todd Moritz, Bert Rogness, Dale Williams, Casper Niemann, Kevin DeBoer, Calvin Musch, Sherwin DeKam, and Terry Strohfus. Director Hansen arrived after Roll.

Others in attendance for all or part of the meeting were General Manager Matthew Hotzler, Project Attorney Craig D. Evenson, legal intern Aftyn Heitkamp, Finance and Administration Manager Annie Aberle, Operations Manager Troy Kwasniewski, and Member Services Manager Tom Lundberg.

On motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the agenda was approved.

Secretary Moritz presented the April 18, 2025, Board meeting minutes after a discussion about the minutes. On motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors on April 18, 2025, together with the Summary, were approved.

Treasurer Hansen presented the treasurer's report, including cash receipts and disbursements. There were questions and discussions about the transactions. **Resolution 25-30** On motion duly made, seconded, and carried, it was RESOLVED that the treasurer's report be received and placed on file subject to audit.

Hansen reported the director's expenses for the month. **Resolution 25-31** On motion duly made, seconded, and carried, it was RESOLVED that the director's monthly expenses are approved.

General Manager Hotzler presented a written and oral report on the East River MAC Meeting and various other issues that potentially could affect the Cooperative.

Hotzler presented the April 2025 Cooperative Scorecard and the membership activity report. After discussing the membership activity report. **Resolution 25-32**, On motion duly made, seconded, and carried, it was RESOLVED that the April 2025 membership activity report is approved.

Hotzler reviewed the April Cyber report and Basin financials through April 2025.

Finance and Administration Manager Aberle presented a written and oral report on the monthly financial and other department activities.

Operations Manager Kwasniewski presented a written and oral report of department activities, including the outage summary. Kwasniewski reviewed the minutes of the April 28, 2025, safety meeting. **Resolution 25-33** On motion duly made, seconded, and carried, it was RESOLVED that the minutes of April 28, 2025, safety meeting, as presented, are approved.

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Member Services Manager Lundberg presented a written and oral report on the department's activities, including a service order breakdown report, Load Management update, and service order backlog report.

Mr. Bert Rogness, Director of the East River Board, presented an oral report discussing several topics discussed at the East River board meeting.

Mr. Steven Hansen, Director of the SDREA Board, presented an oral report on the monthly communications of SDREA.

Hotzler advised the Board that there were three applications for estate retirements of capital credits and one application for early retirement. The total retirement results in \$2,531.18 to be refunded to the members requesting their retirements. The payment of capital credits will not impair the Cooperative's financial condition. **Resolution 25-34** On motion duly made, seconded, and carried, it was RESOLVED that H-D Electric Cooperative, Inc. pay the capital credits pursuant to the Bylaws, policies, and applications as presented.

Hotzler discussed with the Board a plan to review the current H-D Electric by-laws and the NRECA publication of the By-law Revision Guide.

Hotzler stated that a delegate needs to be nominated for the CFC Annual Meeting. Steve nominated Hotzler as the delegate; Todd seconded. On motion duly made, seconded, and carried, nominations ceased, and the Board cast a unanimous ballot.

Hotzler presented the NRECA South Dakota Board Member Election information. He presented both candidates: Mark Hofer of Central Electric Cooperative, the incumbent, and Kerry McLellan of Moreau-Grand Electric Cooperative, the challenger. Hotzler presented the McLellan letter he received. Steve Hansen is the delegate and cast the vote at the June SDREA Board meeting.

Hotzler presented the plan for the Crystal Springs Rodeo Touchstone Energy Night. They will hand out sunglasses to the kids.

Upcoming meetings

- a. Crystal Springs Rodeo June 28, 2025
- b. CFC Forum June 30 July 2, 2025
- c. H-D Electric Basin tour August 5-6, 2025
- d. Basin Annual Meeting August 12-14, 2025
- e. SDREA Board Leadership Summit August 24-25, 2025

Director Williams discussed the irrigation control.

Director Niemann presented a challenge to the Board to raise money for the SDREA charity ride victim's fund.

Meeting Adjourned