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**H-D ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
June 19, 2026 (SUMMARY)**

President Bert Rogness called the meeting to order with a quorum present. Secretary Todd Moritz conducted roll call and reported all directors were present. Members of management and legal counsel participated in the meeting as required.

The agenda and the May 22, 2026 Regular Board Meeting minutes and summary were reviewed and approved following discussion.

Treasurer Steve Hansen presented the Treasurer's Report, including cash receipts and disbursements, which was received and placed on file subject to audit. The Board also approved the Directors' May expenses.

Management and Department Reports

- **General Manager Report (Hotzler):** Reported on the East River MAC Meeting, Basin rate review, cybersecurity/CISA issues, battery storage developments, E15 fuel, MRES power plant, Basin pipeline, headquarters sign project, SPCC planning, wildfire mitigation efforts, SDREA Managers Meeting, 811 updates, technology and service presentations, CFC updates, Midwest Electric Consumers Association activities, and operational matters. Hotzler also presented the Cooperative Scorecard, membership activity report, cyber report, and Basin financial update. The Board approved the May 2026 membership activity report.
- **Finance and Administration (Aberle):** Reported on completion of the 2026 Capital Credit General Retirement totaling \$439,522, including checks issued, amounts applied to bad debt, and amounts held pending minimum check thresholds. Reviewed consumer sales and revenue, monthly revenue and expense reports, cash flow summaries, investment balances, and revenue and expense performance per 1,000 kWh. Additional financial statements and reports were made available for Board review.
- **Operations (Kwasniewski):** Presented the monthly operations report and reviewed field activities. The Board approved the May 7, 2026 Safety Meeting Report. The May outage summary was also reviewed and discussed.
- **Member Services/Wiring (Lundberg):** Reported on service order activity, wiring department work, load management efforts, and service order backlog status. Monthly service order and load management reports were reviewed and discussed.
- **East River Report (Rogness):** Provided an update on East River budgeting, Basin Electric activities, NERC reliability discussions related to AI, the FERC complaint involving Basin, business development efforts, Dakota Gas, and headquarters developments.

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- **SDREA Report (Hansen):** Provided an update on SDREA activities and South Dakota Renewable Energy Association activities.

Capital Credits

The Board reviewed estate and early retirement capital credit requests and approved payment of \$1,086.71 to members, with \$1,752.16 retained by the cooperative.

Executive Session

The Board entered executive session at 10:30 a.m. and returned at 10:35 a.m.

Other Activities

- The Board viewed an NRECA Governance educational video on Meeting Preparation.
- The Board approved the appointment of Casper Niemann as Delegate and Kevin DeBoer as Alternate Delegate for the upcoming East River Annual Meeting.
- The Board approved submitting Bert Rogness as H-D Electric's representative to continue serving on the East River Electric Board of Directors.
- Director Niemann and GM/CEO Hotzler reported on the CFC Forum attended earlier in June, including key speakers and topics discussed.

Upcoming Meetings

- a. Crystal Springs Rodeo – June 27, 2026
- b. H-D Electric Basin Tour – August 3–4, 2026
- c. Basin Annual Meeting – August 11–13, 2026
- d. SDREA Board Leader Summit – August 30–31, 2026
- e. NRECA Regional Meeting 5 & 6, September 21-23, 2026

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