

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SIOUX VALLEY-SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
December 19th, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sioux Valley-Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc. (dba. Sioux Valley Energy) was held on December 19, 2017 commencing at 11:30 p.m. at the Colman headquarters in Colman, South Dakota.

The meeting was called to order by President Rodney DeMent who presided and Allan Kooima, Secretary, acted as Secretary.

Roll call showed the following members present:

Rodney DeMent	Arlyn Zylstra	Allan Weinacht
Henning Hansen	Gregg Johnson	Allan Kooima
Bruce Martinson	Mark Rogen	Dave Daniel

All directors were present except for Gary Fish. Also present were Attorney Alan Peterson, General Manager Tim McCarthy, management staff members Ted Smith, Betty VanDerWerff, Carrie Law, and Debra Biever along with Staff Assistant and Communications Specialist Amy Voelker.

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

The agenda was presented for consideration with a change of removing the SDREA report. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Rogen, seconded by Mr. Martinson. The motion carried.

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of November 28th, 2017 was made by Mr. Weinacht, seconded by Mr. Martinson. A discussion was held on the way the parliamentary procedure was handled last month. The decision was made to make no changes to the minutes from the outcome of the changed motion. The motion carried.

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN FOR 2017

Manager McCarthy called upon Debra Biever who reviewed the three different Affirmative Action programs addressed in the Cooperative's Affirmative Action Plan for calendar year 2017. One for females and minorities, one for individuals with disabilities and one for protected veterans. A motion was made by Mr. Zylstra, seconded by Mr. Weinacht, to adopt the 2017 Affirmative Action Plan and affirm that the Cooperative is complying with the requirements of the plan.

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF A RESCHEDULED MAC MEETING DATE

A motion was made by Mr. Weinacht, seconded by Mr. Hansen to reschedule the MAC meeting to Thursday, January 18th, 2018. The motion carried.

STRATEGIC ISSUE DISCUSSION

Manager McCarthy discussed the definitions for the drivers for the financial values on the balance scorecard.

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATE BOARD MEETING DATES FOR JANUARY

A motion was made by Mr. Weinacht, seconded by Mr. Zylstra to move the January board meeting to Monday, January 22nd, 2018. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Kooima to move the March board meeting in Brandon to Tuesday, March 20th, 2018. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Martinson to move the board meetings to the 4th Monday of each month starting in April 2018. The motion carried.

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager McCarthy reviewed key highlights of his written report including wholesale power purchases, sales, and revenue.

Manager McCarthy reported on the Pipestone County ordinance that returned to the table. SVE will be attending the hearing on January 9th.

Manager McCarthy reported on the SMEC board meeting. He reported on the estimated property tax and the cost of service study.

Manager McCarthy reported on the Clean Power Plan Hearing.

Manager McCarthy reported on the DOE guidance on water heaters. Carrie Law also commented on how SVE is moving forward.

Manager McCarthy reported on the accidents are down compared to this time last year.

Manager McCarthy reported on the MAC and REED meetings that he attended.

ACCEPT MANAGER'S REPORT

A motion to accept the manager's report was made by Mr. Hansen, seconded by Mr. Drost. The motion carried.

REPORTS ON POWER SUPPLY MEETINGS

East River Board Meeting – Mr. Rogen reported on his attendance at the East River board meeting.

REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

SDREA-BLC – DeMent, Daniel, Martinson, and Hansen reported on the BLC classes they took in Pierre.

Mid-west Annual Meeting – Weinacht, Drost, Rogen and Zylstra reported on the Mid-west Annual meeting they attended in Denver, CO.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS, SELECTION OF DELEGATES/ATTENDANCE AUTHORIZATION

East River Energize Forum – Notice of the East River Energize Forum that will be held in Sioux Falls, SD on January 31st & February 1st, 2018 was presented. All directors were authorized to attend per a motion by Mr. Rogen, seconded by Mr. Martinson. The motion carried.

MREA Legislative Conference – Notice of the MREA legislative conference that will be held in Washington, DC on February 6 & 7, 2018 was presented. Directors DeMent and Rogen were authorized to attend per a motion by Mr. Martinson, seconded by Mr. Kooima. The motion carried.

Coop Day at the Capital – Notice of Coop Day at the Capital that will be held in Pierre on February 20th was presented. All directors were authorized to attend per a motion by Mr. Martinson, seconded by Mr. Daniel. The motion carried.

CoBank Regional Customer Meetings – Notice of the CoBank Regional Customer Meeting that will be held in Omaha, NE on March 22nd – 23rd was presented. Director Daniel was authorized to attend the Omaha meeting per a motion by Mr. Weinacht, seconded by Mr. Drost. The motion carried.

CoBank Regional Customer Meetings – Notice of the CoBank Regional Customer Meeting that will be held in Fargo, ND on March 27th – 28th was presented. Director Martinson was authorized to attend the Fargo meeting per a motion by Mr. Rogen, seconded by Mr. Weinacht. The motion carried.

CFC Forum – Notice of the CFC Forum that will be held June 10th – 13th in Indianapolis, IN was presented. Director Martinson was authorized to attend the CFC Meeting per a motion by Mr. Drost, seconded by Mr. Weinacht. The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion by Mr. Zylstra, seconded by Mr. Martinson to move into executive session with all directors in attendance began at 11:18 a.m. Mr. Johnson made a motion to adjourn the executive session at 11:30 a.m., seconded by Mr. Zylstra. The motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, January 22nd, 2018 at the Colman headquarters.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Zylstra made a motion, seconded by Mr. Weinacht to adjourn the Sioux Valley Energy board meeting at 11.35 p.m. The motion carried.

Allan Kooima, Secretary

Approved: _____