

Central Rural Electric Cooperative  
Regular Board Meeting Summary

The regular meeting of the Central Rural Electric Cooperative Board of Trustees was held May 1, 2017.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT** *Mark Pittman*

Mark Pittman reviewed the Executive Committee Meeting including the proposed board strategic planning.

Carol Dvorak and Stu Preston discussed the importance of having board representation at affiliated cooperative organization meetings.

**CEO SESSION** *David Swank*

David Swank reviewed the outage that occurred over the previous weekend including:

- Loss of 41 poles including 33 three phase and 8 single phase
- Peak outages of 2,550
- Five additional contract crews brought in
- Projected to be a \$250,000 event

David Swank reported that the governor did declare a state of emergency, but that does not mean that it will be a FEMA event.

He also reminded the board of the extreme conditions our linemen work in to get our members power back on during this kind of an event.

David Swank reviewed the social media posts and growth up 813.1 percent from this recent storm event.

**New Sign**

Michelle Perzee reported that the sign design and vendor has been determined and proper location is currently being evaluate.

**MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

**Annual Meeting Review**

David Swank reviewed the agenda, entertainment, presentation, May Newsletter, Bold leadership awards and booths planned for Annual Meeting.

**National Research Consortium**

David Swank reviewed the agenda and invitation list for the upcoming National Research Consortium meeting.

**Smart Community Source**

David Swank reviewed the recent SCS leadership meeting noting the excellent discussion with the panel of nine cluster leaders.

David Swank reviewed smart urban planning, the business survey, SCS planning stages, gateway structure and SCS social media.

**Innovation Pointe**

David Swank reviewed the tenant prospects. He reported that a proposal on the cost to survey the land surrounding Central was presented.

**CONSTRUCTION WORK PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT** *David Swank*

The board acknowledged the Environmental report as published.

**FEMA REPORT** *Hunter Robinson*

Hunter Robinson reviewed a recent meeting held by OAEC concerning changes taking place in FEMA compliance, highlighting the primary intent of the changes.

**LEGAL REPORT** *Max Myers*

Max Myers presented the legal report.

**SAFETY REPORT** *Michelle Perzee*

The safety report was acknowledged.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** *David Swank*

The financial report was acknowledged.

**OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE** *Michelle Perzee*

Michelle Perzee presented the operations report.

She highlighted the social media dashboards.

**New Bill Design** *Candace Robinson*

Candace Robinson reviewed what the new bill will look like by comparing it to the current bill.

**Communication Report**

The Annual Meeting communications were reviewed in the CEO Report.

**KAMO REPORT**

Raymond Nettles reviewed the following from the April 14 KAMO board meeting:

- Retirement of patronage capital
- Power deliveries
- Generation
- Wind production
- Higher Ground LLC application
- ATT interconnection attachment on poles to provide 5g internet to the home
- Internet security

**NRECA LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE REVIEW**

Len Tontz, Gary McCune and Mark Pittman reviewed the NRECA Legislative Conference they attended:

- Len Tontz
  - Speakers Senator Langford and Rick Perry
  - Farm Bill discussion
  - Visits with various representatives and senators who all seemed to be very positive
- Gary McCune
  - Geothermal tax credit

- RUS nuclear right-of-way on federal lands permit process
- Rick Perry
  - Cost of regulation, noting some process take 10 to 20 years to get off the books.
  - Energy dominance
- Senator Jim Inhofe went to dinner with the Statewide and WFEC
- Mark Pittman
  - Reception well attended
  - Senior staff members positive
  - Senator Langford visit
  - Twelve cooperatives from Oklahoma

Senator Inhofe invite Pittman, Tontz and McCune to attend a senate hearing on North Korea chaired by McCain.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS AND TRAVEL**

Donna Bowman reviewed the upcoming meetings and training.