

January Board Meeting Highlights

The January board meeting was held on Friday, February 1, 2019 at 9 AM. Absent was Duane Wilts.

Staff members present were General Manager, Joel Janorschke, Dale Schwagel, and Karen Lupkes.

The minutes of the December board meeting were approved.

The December check register was approved.

The board discussed a board vacancy in District 1 and reviewed the Bylaws related to board vacancies.

The board viewed the East River Board Report.

Homan reported on East River Board and Basin Electric business.

Veflin and Pearson reported on the SDREA Annual Meeting.

Veflin, Pearson, and Monson reported on the Northeast Legislative Dinner and the important legislative issues discussed.

Schwagel gave the Operations Report. Items discussed included:

- December outages were reviewed.
- Reviewed completed projects. Crews have been doing pole changes and service upgrades.
- Reviewed the safety program and safety meeting. The Core Safety Rules were approved by the Safety Committee.
- Reviewed service retirements.
- Yearend inventory is complete.
- The overhead conductor west of Sisseton has been retired. The poles still need to be pulled.
- Reviewed and gave an update on the new AMI metering system.
- Discussed the increased load at a Dairy adding a reverse osmosis system.
- Work is in progress obtaining permits and easements to bring service to the new Dairy.

The board reviewed and approved revisions to Board Policies 310 Nature and quality of Service, Board Policy 102 Policy Formulation and Approval, and Board Policy 103 Functions of the Board of Directors.

MN REPAC and NRECA ACRE 2019 membership renewals are due for directors.

Janorschke presented the Manager's Report, which included:

- Recapped the East River Manager's Meeting topics.
- Reported on the legislative bills and issues discussed at the Northeast Legislative Dinner.
- Recapped the Basin MAC meeting.
- Reported on the CEO Close Up Conference.

Reviewed and approved the December Financial Report.

The Board reviewed the Bylaws regarding the payment of capital credits to members.

A list of upcoming meetings and attendees was reviewed.