

November 2019 Board Meeting Highlights

The November board meeting was held on Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 9 AM. Absent: Mark Pearson.

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

The minutes of the September board meeting were approved.

The September and October check registers were approved.

Homan reported on East River Board business.

Armstrong and Homan reported on the Basin Electric Annual Meeting.

Janorschke presented the Manager's Report, which included:

- Provided an East River update.
- Reported on topics discussed at the Basin Annual Meeting.
- Reported on the MREA Legislative Summit.
- Updated the board on MN and SD legislative issues.

Lupkes gave the Office Manager's Report, which included:

- September 30 & October 31, 2019 accounts receivable balances were reviewed.
- Reported on bill printing and mailing with Dairyland Power.
- Social media is being used more to promote the cooperative and programs.
- RUS Cushion of Credit balance was used to pay off loans with no penalty.
- Board approved sending one youth to the 2020 Washington DC Youth Tour.
- Board approved the writing off of bad debt.

Reviewed and approved the September and October Financial Report.

Janorschke gave the Operations Report. Items discussed included:

- Outages were reviewed.
- Reviewed list of projects.
- Meter change update.
- There has been an increase in new tile pump services.

Reviewed proposed bylaw changes.

Reviewed the 2018 990.

Approved the retirement of capital credits.

Approved the 2020 Budget and Work Plan.

Approved revisions to Policy 108 Attendance of Directors at Meetings.

Approved revisions to Policy 110 Fringe Benefits for Directors.

Approved revisions to Policy 111 Services of Legal Counsel.

Approved revisions to Policy 513 DOT Controlled Substance & Alcohol Use Testing.

Adopted Policy 513.10 Non-DOT Drug & Alcohol Testing.

MREA REPAC, SD REPAC, and Acre Membership information reviewed.

Selected voting delegates for the Mid-West Consumers Assoc. Annual Meeting and the SDREA Annual Meeting.

Selected attendees for the Northeast Area Legislative Forum.

Selected dates for the upcoming district meetings in January 2020.

Approved a generator loan.

A list of upcoming meetings and attendees was reviewed.