

**BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

July 19, 2022

The Board of Directors of Blue Ridge Mountain Electric Membership Corporation (BRMEMC) met in Regular Session on July 19, 2022. Board Chairman Roy Perren called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

The invocation was led by Director Rogers, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Director Perren. General Manager Glidewell provided the Safety & Logistics Briefing.

The following Directors were present as noted by Board Secretary Lance and were in attendance during the Board Meeting:

Roy Perren, President/Chair  
Danny Henson, Director  
Jack Lance Jr., Director  
Gene Mason, Director  
Bert Rogers, Director  
Cory Payne, Director  
Jeff Ledford, Director

Gayland Trull, Director and Ray Cook, Director were absent from the meeting

The following Staff were recognized by the Chair and were present during Regular Session:

Allan Glidewell, General Manager  
Amanda Holdaway, Director of Finance & Accounting  
Travis Lunsford, Director of Operations  
Dale Anderson, Meter Department Coordinator  
Sonny Mahan, Director of Member Services  
Eric Brinke, Director of Administrative Services  
Alex King, Manager of Broadband Services  
Kelley Crawford, Manager of Communication  
Charles Autry, BRMEMC Counsel

Upon request of Chairman Perren, the meeting agenda for July 19, 2022, was considered. A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Director Payne, seconded by Director Henson and approved by unanimous vote.

Upon request of Chairman Perren, the minutes of the Board Meeting of June 14, 2022 were considered. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Director Rogers, seconded by Director Ledford and approved by unanimous vote.

Conflict of Interests:

None

Brady Hussion, Sarah Shook and Nathan Plemons were introduced as representing the BRMEMC on the Washington Youth Tour. All three participants provided details about their trip and intentions on future Collegiate plans.

Director Payne read report on behalf of Finance Committee regarding Cooperative Finances.

Director Rogers read report on behalf of Policy Committee regarding Cooperative Policies. Policy #315 regarding Standby Power to update the Policy, Policy #336 regarding Charges and Fees and Policy #528 regarding Wage and Salary Administration Schedule to update the Policy. Several changes to update the Policies was presented and approved by the Committee. Motion to approve amendments of edits to Policy #315, #336 and Policy #528 was brought forward by the Committee and approved by unanimous consent.

Manager Glidewell provided the following reports to the Board: Safety, Reliability, Financial Report, HR/Personnel, and Activity Reports, including the Engineering Report, Operations Report, Broadband Services Report, Member Services Report and the Contact Summary & Member Interactions. Mr. Brinke provided the Economic Development Report.

Member Comments:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

NRECA Region 2-3 Meeting will be held in October 2022 and the Board has been informed of the availability to attend.

General Manager Glidewell brought before the Board a proposal to provide Managed Broadband Services on behalf of the membership. The proposal would provide members with an additional services package for their Internet Service for an additional fee. The program would allow the BRMEMC customer to be able to receive broadband support remotely in an effort to allow members to have further assistance in setting up, maintaining and servicing their internet access. Additionally, the Staff brought forward a proposal to update fiber speed plans to offer increase speeds without raising rates. Director Payne made a motion to approve an initial order of 400 routers and implementing Staff's proposed plan as described by the Staff to provide Managed Broadband Services for the rate of \$9.95 per month as requested by the Board. The motion was seconded by Director Rogers. After discussion, the motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Reports from Directors:

None

Other Business:

None

Announcements:

None

#### Executive Session

At 7:32 pm, President Perren directed a brief intermission in the meeting. At 7:54 pm, a motion to enter Executive Session made by Director Rogers, seconded by Director Payne and approved by unanimous vote.

The Board came out of Executive Session..

With no further business, Director Rogers made a motion to adjourn meeting and said motion was seconded by Director Payne and was approved by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Secretary of the Board of Directors, BRMEMC.

ATTEST: The undersigned EMC officers attest that the foregoing minutes of the Board Meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022, were approved in Regular Session of the Blue Ridge Mountain EMC Board of Directors on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022.



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Roy Perren, Board Chairman



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Jack Lance Jr., Secretary