

**BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP  
CORPORATION**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

January 9, 2024

The Board of Directors of Blue Ridge Mountain Electric Membership Corporation (BRMEMC) met in Regular Session on January 9, 2024. Board President Roy Perren called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

The invocation was led by President Perrin, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Perrin. Manager Glidewell provided the Safety and 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  
Gene Mason, Director  
Bert Rogers, Director  
Cory Payne, Director  
Jeff Ledford, Director  
Gayland Trull, Director  
Ray Cook, Director  
Jack Lance Jr., Director was present via Teleconference

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  
Daniel Frizzell, Director of Engineering  
Erik Brinke, Director of Administrative Services  
Sharon Kyser, Director of Member Services  
Alex King, Manager of Broadband Services  
Ryan Anderson, Director of Information Systems  
Kelley Crawford, Manager of Communication  
Charles Autry, BRMEMC Counsel

Upon request of President Perren, the meeting agenda for January 9, 2024 was considered. A Motion to approve the Agenda was made by Director Rogers, Seconded by Director Henson and approved by unanimous vote.

Upon request of President Perren, the minutes of the Board Meeting of December 12, 2023 was considered as well as the December 19, 2023 special called meeting. A Motion to approve both minutes was made by Director Henson, Seconded by Director Rogers and approved by unanimous vote.

Conflict of Interests:

None

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

A Motion to amend the Agenda to allow Pat Cooper from Jackson Thornton to present BRMEMC's Form 990 Tax report to the Board. Said Motion was made by Director Henson, seconded by Director Payne and approved by unanimous vote.

Pat Cooper provided the 990 Tax Report to the Board. Upon completion of Report, Manager Glidewell was directed to sign Report on behalf of BRMEMC.

Director Rogers read report on behalf of Policy and Public Relations Committee. The Committee discussed future updates to Policy Bulletin 232 with regards to Purchase Guide. No action was taken at this time.

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

Member Comments:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Manager Glidewell reported CoBank had requested BRMEMC approval to lower BRMEMC's unused open line of credit due to lack of use. A Motion to reduce CoBank's committed line of credit from \$15,000,000.00 to \$10,000,000.00 with authorization to allow Manager Glidewell to authorize such change was made by Director Cook, seconded by Director Ledford and approved by unanimous vote.

A Motion to allow Director Henson to be NRECA voting delegate with Manager Glidewell as alternate was made by Director Payne, seconded by Director Trull and approved by unanimous vote.

Reports from Directors:  
None

Other Business:

Director Cook discussed issue with mobile Board Vantage utilization on tablets. Director Payne commented on awkwardness of the software and noted other software platforms may be better. Staff will get current functional issues resolved then examine hardware and software options.

Announcements:  
None

Executive Session

At 7:17 pm, President Perren directed a brief intermission in the Meeting. At 7:35 pm, a Motion to enter Executive Session made by Director Trull, Seconded by Director Payne and approved by unanimous vote.

With no further business, Director Trull made a Motion to adjourn meeting and said Motion was seconded by Director Henson and was approved by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 pm.

Secretary of the Board of Directors, BRMEMC.

ATTEST: The undersigned EMC officers attest that the foregoing minutes of the Board Meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 2024, were approved in Regular Session of the Blue Ridge Mountain EMC Board of Directors on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.



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Roy Perren, Board President



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Jack Lance Jr., Secretary