

**2013 Annual Meeting of the Membership  
Gunnison County Electric Association, Inc.  
June 25, 2013**

The 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Gunnison County Electric Assn., Inc. (GCEA) was held Tuesday, June 25, 2013 at the Headquarters Building in Gunnison, Colorado.

President Chris Morgan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. GCEA Consumer Services Supervisor Dan McDonough led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Morgan introduced Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Mike McBride, directors Greg Wiggins (District #1), Chris Morgan (District #2), Bart Laemmel (District #3), Steven Schechter (District #4), Paul Hudgeons (District #5), John Vader (District #6), Chuck Cliggett (District #7); and Attorney David Dodero of Hoskin Farina and Kampf.

Mr. Morgan also recognized Tri-State Generation & Transmission (Tri-State) Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Pat Bridges and Colorado Rural Electric Association (CREA) Executive Director Kent Singer. Mr. Morgan also acknowledged Executive Director Mike Prom of Western United Electric Supply (WUE), Donna Wallin of CREA, and Jon Beyer of Tri-State. Guest Speaker Polly Oberosler was also recognized.

Attorney David Dodero was called to the podium to conduct affirmation of directors. Both incumbents Chris Morgan, District 2, and Bart Laemmel, District 3, ran unopposed. Verbal affirmation was requested and unanimously approved.

Mr. Morgan called for quorum determination. CFO Marcia Wireman reported a quorum of 50 was met with 74 members registering. Mr. Morgan advised the Membership that the Notice of the Annual Meeting was published, along with the 2012 Annual Report, and acknowledged the certificate of mailing to all Members. He also advised that the minutes of the 2012 Annual Meeting were previously made available on the website and per request and available at the registration desk. Mr. Morgan entertained a motion for approval of the 2012 minutes. Motion by member Randy Spydell to dispense with the reading of last year's minutes and to approve the minutes as available carried unanimously.

President Morgan referred to his report as included in the mailing of the 2012 Annual Report. Mr. Morgan polled the crowd for any member who has been with the cooperative since its inception in 1938, and the attendees were pleased to note we had one such member in the audience.

Audit committee chair Greg Wiggins was called to the podium and announced a clean 2012 financial audit.

Dan McDonough gave the scholarship report. He noted contributors to the scholarship fund, including Tri-State Generation & Transmission, Basin Electric Power Cooperative, and GCEA Board Directors, Members, unclaimed capital credits and the Operation Roundup funds. Mr. McDonough acknowledged the efforts and appreciation for the scholarship committee including chair Bart Laemmel and members Greg Wiggins and Chuck Cliggett. Mr. McDonough noted participants of the 2013 Washington DC tour and youth camp. Mr. McDonough announced the 2013 recipients and asked each attending recipient to stand in recognition.

President Morgan introduced and welcomed CEO Mike McBride. Mr. McBride thanked his wife and daughters for their presence. He also expressed his appreciation to the members and guests in attendance and the GCEA employees who make the annual event possible. Mr. McBride relayed his introduction to the valley and his appreciation for the cooperative business model as our owners are our customers. Mr. McBride noted the membership has elected a dedicated and effective board of directors. Mr. McBride acknowledged the GCEA employees who take pride in their service to our community. CEO McBride spoke to the process of designing a new mission statement that sums up the identity that most resonated with employees. CEO McBride also relayed cost saving measures implemented in this past year.

Mr. McBride introduced longtime member and guest speaker Polly Oberosler. Mrs. Oberosler presented the topic of co-operation with the example of the evening's meal. Mrs. Oberosler noted her pleasure in being in the company of Mike McBride, Kent Singer and her and Dave Oberosler's son, 20 year GCEA employee and CB Journeyman lineman, Dan Oberosler. Mrs. Oberosler spoke to her history in the valley. Mrs. Oberosler spoke to the lifestyle of her youth in Almont with limited electricity. Power in her younger years was reliable but when there were service

interruptions, it could take hours for repairs as there were no means for rerouting. She concluded with additional examples of the cooperative spirit in action and expressed appreciation for GCEA.

There was no unfinished business or new business.

Mike McBride oversaw the prize drawing with assistance from Wade, a young audience member. The following prizes were awarded: Travel ProAid Case- Don Wesley; outdoor thermometer- Jerry Trammell; solar yard lights- Tom Stoeber and Larry Pillow; Burt's Bees hand care package- Gary Gibson; popcorn popper and movie night package- George Besse; personal electric fan- Kenneth Blackwelder; spa skin care package- Joe L Danni; wall outlet rechargeable screwdriver- Bruce Eggers; Oster solo blender- Shawn Johnson; decorative outdoor solar lamp- Gale Richardson; egg cooker- Thad and Cindy Goodrich; kerosene lamp and oil- Shirley Woodbury; headlamp- Bob and Alice Fulton; emergency roadside flashlight- Joe Stoeber; emergency radio- Jack Perry; 60watt LEDs- Pat Grossman, Louise Cross, Dale Irby of Irby Ranches, Linda Squirrell, Michael Glaser, Peter Lorber, Frank Buffington, Joe H Danni, Victoria Castka, David Graham, Charles McDaniels, Jack Cummins, Brenda Burkholder, Gene Daniel, and Mark Rossmiller; \$50 gift certificates for Gene Taylors, courtesy of WUE- Gary Winget, Ron Blue, Robert McGarvin, Jerry Burgess, William Birdholtz and Bob Wojtko.

The Grand Prize of \$300 was awarded to Rex and Lola Bird.

President Morgan asked for a hand for GCEA employees. There being no further business matters, President Chris Morgan declared the meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

/Chris Morgan /

President

07.29.2014

Date

/Paul Hudgeons /

Secretary