

# CENTRAL RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

## BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

September 30, 2025

The regular meeting of the Central Rural Electric Cooperative board of trustees was held September 30, 2025.

### **LIGHT UP NAVAJO** *Kyle Williams*

Kyle spoke on his trip to the Navajo Nation in New Mexico where they brought first-time access to electricity to Navajo families.

### **CONFERENCE UPDATE** *James Wells*

Sid Sperry attended an online webinar regarding wildfire mitigation.

Randy Ethridge attended the online course, Strategic Planning, hosted by NRECA.

Erin Talley attended the NRECA Power Up conference in Phoenix, AZ.

### **LEGAL REPORT** *Max Myers*

Max Myers presented the legal report to the Board of Trustees.

### **GRANT RELATED USE OF FIBER RELATED ASSETS** *Shane Burgess*

The resolution allowing Centranet to pledge access to Central owned fiber assets as an in-kind match for the purpose of grant applications was approved as presented.

### **NETWORK ACCESS AGREEMENT MODIFICATION** *Shane Burgess*

The network access agreement modification in conjunction with the resolution approving the grant related use of fiber related assets was approved as presented.

### **COMMUNICATIONS REPORT** *Jillianne Tebow*

Jillianne Tebow mentioned the turnout for the District 5 meeting having 275 members participate in the re-election of Ken Starks as the District 5 Trustee.

She also mentioned the turnout for Kilowatts & Brats having a total of 316 people in Stillwater and 132 people in Chandler.

Jillianne then mentioned the following upcoming events:

- Community events taking place in Cushing, Perkins and Perry
- Annual Meeting on October 7, 3pm-7pm
  - Lincoln County Fairgrounds
  - Logan County Fairgrounds
  - Noble County Fairgrounds
  - Payne County Fairgrounds

### **CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE MEMBERS** *Jillianne Tebow*

The following were approved as the Credentials and Elections Committee for annual meeting with three additional members:

- Chandler

- Tracy Avers
- Guthrie
  - David Habben
- Perry
  - Kyla Golay
- Stillwater
  - Gary Allen
  - Alan LeGrand
  - Wynona Clark-Skelley
  - Terry Kinzie

**FINANCE REPORT** *Sondra White*

Sondra White presented the financial report.

**990 REVIEW** *Pat Cooper*

Pat Cooper of BSGM, provided the annual review of the IRS Form 990.

Bill Miller spoke on Organizational Structure: Tax Impact and Reporting.

**PATRONAGE ACCOUNT CREATION** *Sondra White*

The creation of the patronage account was approved.

**COBANK INCUMBENCY CERTIFICATE** *Sondra White*

The CoBank Incumbency Certificate recognizing Shane Burgess as an authorized signer was approved as presented.

**SAFETY REPORT** *Shane Burgess*

Shane Burgess reviewed the Safety Report.

**CEO REPORT** *Shane Burgess*

Shane presented the CEO report with updates including:

- Department Updates
- Primary Meter Requests
- Data Center Requests
- SCADA Upgrade Project, Work Plan Administration and the 2026 Budget
- Strategic Planning Topics

**CONTRACTOR PROCUREMENT CONSULTANT** *Shane Burgess*

The engagement of an engineering consulting firm to assist in contractor procurement for 2026/2027 was approved as presented.

**POLICY 324 PROCUREMENT** *Shane Burgess*

Shane Burgess reviewed Policy 324 Procurement.

**POLICY 327 COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PRACTICES** *Shane Burgess*

Policy 327 Cooperative Purchasing Practices was approved as published.

**POLICY 603 WORK SCHEDULE OVERTIME** *Shane Burgess*

Shane Burgess reviewed Policy 603 Work Schedule Overtime.

**KAMO REPORT** *Sid Sperry*

Sid Sperry presented the KAMO report, including the following:

- Board and Committee Actions
- July Financial Summary
- July Power Deliveries
- CEO Report
- AECI Update

**OAEC REPORT** *James Wells*

James Wells and Shane Burgess attended the annual 'Shoot for the Nations' fundraising event.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS AND TRAVEL** *Erin Talley*

Erin Talley reviewed the upcoming meetings and travel.