

**CHUGACH ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.**

Anchorage, Alaska

April 25, 2002

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**MINUTES**

President Davison convened the 52nd Annual Membership Meeting of Chugach Electric Association, Inc., at 7:00 p.m. at the Hotel Captain Cook, located at Fourth & K Street, Anchorage, Alaska 99501.

The following board members were present:

Bruce Davison	-	President
Red Boucher	-	Vice President
Chris Birch	-	Secretary
Jeff Lipscomb	-	Treasurer
Dave Cottrell	-	Director
Pat Kennedy	-	Director

The following participants in the program were present:

Gene Bjornstad	-	General Manager
Bill McKee	-	Master Election Judge
Jim Magowan	-	Nominating Committee Chair
Mary Fairbanks	-	Bylaws Committee Chair
Robert Dickson	-	Parliamentarian

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**

Bruce Davison, President of the Board of Directors, called the 2002 Annual Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and opened by leading the audience in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

President Davison made introductions of the head table and visiting directors and managers from other co-ops. All members in attendance were encouraged to sign in at the registration table in order to establish a quorum.

**II. REPORT OF QUORUM**

At 7:05 p.m., Bill McKee, Master Election Judge, reported that 127 members had registered as of that time. With the quorum being 50, a quorum was present for the meeting.

**III. PROOF OF PUBLICATION OF THE ANNUAL MEETING**

As required by the Bylaws, during the week of March 25 each Chugach member was mailed an election packet that contained voting materials and information on the Annual Meeting.

Notices announcing the time and date of the Annual Meeting appeared in the Chugach Outlet, as well as several editions of the Anchorage Daily News.

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE 2001 ANNUAL MEETING**

The minutes of the 2001 Annual Meeting had been distributed to the members. A motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the minutes. The motion passed unanimously and the minutes were approved as written.

**V. NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT**

Yvonne Hall, member of the Nominating Committee, explained the process for selecting the candidates for directors. She expressed appreciation to all of the committee members.

**VI. BYLAWS COMMITTEE REPORT** Bill McKee, as a member of the Bylaws Committee, explained the proposed changes to the Bylaws. He also expressed his appreciation to the members of the committee as well as the Board liaison and Chugach legal staff.

**VII. ELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Master Election Judge Bill McKee explained the voting procedures and date of record for this election. He also expressed his appreciation for the work of the committee members.

**VIII. CANDIDATE STATEMENTS**

Each candidate for the Board of Directors was introduced and given two minutes to speak. Those candidates were:

H. A. "Red" Boucher  
Sam Cason  
Peter Jarratt  
Patricia Jasper (unable to attend in person)

➤ DOOR PRIZE DRAWINGS

**IX. CLOSE OF REGISTRATION AND VOTING**

At 7:40 p.m. President Davison announced that registration and voting would officially close in fifteen minutes. He announced a short recess in order to allow members additional time to register and vote. The meeting reconvened at 7:55 p.m.

**X. QUORUM UPDATE**

Master Election Judge Bill McKee reported that a total of 165 members had registered by the close of registration

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**XI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Davison gave the President's report, going over Chugach's accomplishments and challenges for the past year, as well as those challenges facing us in the future.

**XII. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Lipscomb delivered the Treasurer's report along with a PowerPoint presentation highlighting Chugach's finances over the past year.

**XIII. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT AND ANNUAL UPDATE**

General Manager Gene Bjornstad gave the General Manager's report using a PowerPoint presentation to recap the past year. In announcing his retirement on May 3, Mr. Bjornstad expressed his appreciation to all of the employees and directors who have made Chugach a success.

After a round of applause for the retiring General Manager, President Davison announced the appointment of the new General Manager, Joe Griffith.

**XIV. NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**XV. REPORT OF ELECTION RESULTS**

Master Election Judge Bill McKee announced the results of the election:

59,606	Total ballots mailed
8,687	Total mail ballot envelopes returned
8,249	Valid mail ballot envelopes
438	Invalid mail ballot envelopes
0.5%	% Invalid mail ballot envelopes
165	# Members registered at annual meeting
70	In-person ballots cast
8,319	Total number of ballots cast

Results of the ballot count were as follows:

Director Candidates:

H. A. "Red" Boucher	5,559
Sam Cason	4,700
Peter Jarratt	4,484
Pat Jasper	6,409

Pat Jasper, Red Boucher, and Sam Cason were elected to three-year terms.

Proposed Bylaws Amendment:

"Director Meeting Fees"	Yes	-	3,522
	No	-	4,207
The proposition failed.			

**XVI. VOTING PRIZE DRAWINGS**

Winners' names were drawn from the ballot envelopes for the following prizes:

- \$750 Travel gift certificate - Charles Ross
- \$500 Travel gift certificate - David & Eileen Swalling
- \$250 Travel gift certificate - Leslie Ravelo

**XVII. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**

General Manager Bjornstad and members of the Board and staff responded to questions and comments. There were questions from the audience regarding labor contract extensions, fuel costs/surcharges, contracting bylaw, benchmarking, solar power, and electric transportation. There was also a question regarding a line in the Turnagain/Spenard area.

**XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.