

**CHUGACH ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**Anchorage, Alaska**

**Wednesday, May 28, 2025**

**REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

Recording Secretary: Amanda Mankel

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Wiggin called the Regular Board of Directors' Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the boardroom of Chugach Electric Association, Inc., 5601 Electron Drive, Anchorage, Alaska.

*A. Pledge of Allegiance*

Chair Wiggin lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

*B. Roll Call*

*Board Members Present:*

Mark Wiggin, Chair

Sisi Cooper, Vice Chair

Susanne Fleek-Green, Secretary, *arrived at 4:07 p.m.*

Rachel Morse, Treasurer, *arrived at 4:07 p.m.*

Bettina Chastain, Director

Dan Rogers, Director

Jim Nordlund, Director

*Guests and Staff Attendance Present:*

Arthur Miller

Matt Clarkson

Sherri Highers

Andrew Laughlin

Katie Millen

Trish Baker

Julie Hasquet

Dusty Menefee

Dustin Highers

Sandra Cacy

Josh Travis

Daniel Herrmann

Eric Boyette

Kate Ayers

Paul Millwood

Nick Szymoniak

David Caye

Adam Lutchansky

Eugene Ori

Grace Johnston

Randal Chicola

Quinton Bidwell

Whitney Wilkson

Sean Skaling

Michael Rovito, APA

Bernie Smith, Member

David Brailey, Member

Katherine Jernstrom,  
Member

Alex Petkanas, Member

*Via Teleconference:*

Sephanie Huddell

Buddi Richey

Mitch Roth, Member

Cindy Kinard, Member

*C. Safety Minute*

Eric Boyette, Senior Manager of HSE, presented the *Safety Minute: Bear Awareness*, including the year-to-date safety information and responded to questions from the Board.

*D. Electric Power Factoid*

Dustin Highers, VP, Corporate Programs, presented the *Electric Power Factoid: System Inertia Analogy*, and responded to questions from the Board.

*Director Morse and Director Fleet-Green joined at 4:07 p.m.*

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Director Morse moved, and Director Nordlund seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. PERSONS TO BE HEARD**

*A. Member Comments*

- 1. Bill Herman provided a personal testimony.*
- 2. Bernie Smith provided comments on HB 153 and SB 149, gave compliments to our CEO, and thanked Director Chastain for her time on the Board.*
- 3. Alex Petkanas provided comments on the letter of support to the legislator regarding building of the dam and renewables.*
- 4. Mitch Roth provided comments on community solar and provided compliments to our CEO.*

**IV. DIRECTOR REPORTS**

*A. Alaska Power Association (APA) Report*

Michael Rovito, Deputy Director, Alaska Power Association, provided an update on APA activities, and upcoming events and responded to questions from the Board.

*B. Board Committee Reports (Audit & Finance, Operations & Governance)*

Director Cooper reported on the May 21, 2025, Audit & Finance Committee Meeting.

Director Fleek-Green reported that the next Governance Committee meeting will be held June 11, 2025.

*C. Other Meeting Reports*

Director Morse reported on the Member Committees, that they went very well and they would be attending and providing reports at the Annual Meeting. Director Morse also reported on her attendance at the NWPPA Annual Meeting.

Director Cooper presented Director Wiggin with a Board Leadership Certificate from NWPPA.

Director Fleek-Green reported as the Board representative on NRECA that the deadline for member resolutions is June 13, 2025.

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

*A. Board Calendar*

*B. Training and Conferences*

- 1. Alaska Sustainable Energy Conference, June 3-5, 2025, Anchorage, AK*
- 2. NRECA Summer School for Directors, July 11-15, 2025, Colorado Springs, CO*
- 3. APA Annual Meeting, September 23-26, 2025, Cordova, AK*

*C. Minutes*

*1. April 23, 2025, Regular Board of Directors' Meeting (Richey)*

*D. Director Expenses*

Director Nordlund moved, and Director Cooper seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

**VI. CEO REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

*A. Legislative Update (Baker)*

Trish Baker, Sr. Manager, Government and Business Affairs, presented a legislative and policy update and answered questions from the Board

*B. Wildfire Mitigation (Laughlin/Hasquet)*

Andrew Laughlin, Chief Operating Officer (COO), and Julie Hasquet, Sr. Manager, Corporate Communications, presented on Wildfire Mitigation and answered questions from the Board.

*C. RTO Update (Clarkson)*

Matthew Clarkson, Chief Legal Officer, presented the RTO Update and answered questions from the Board.

*D. 2025 Sales Analysis (Clarkson/Szymoniak)*

Matthew Clarkson, COO, Nick Szymoniak, VP, Regulatory Economic Affairs, David Caye, Manager, Regulatory Affairs, and Randal Chicola, Economic Analyst, presented the 2025 Sales Analysis and answered questions from the Board.

*E. Renewable Projects Update (Lutchansky)*

Dustin Highers, VP, Corporate Programs, and Adam Lutchansky, Manager, Decarbonization Program, presented the Renewable Projects Update and answered questions from the Board.

*F. Board Policy Scheduled Tasks/Reports (Board/Staff)*

Arthur Miller, Chief Executive Officer, discussed CEO Reports and responded to questions from the Board.

**VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (NONE)**

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS (SCHEDULED)**

*A. Sullivan Unit 10 Major Overhaul (Laughlin/Ori)*

Andrew Laughlin, Chief Operating Officer, and Eugene Ori, VP, Power Production, presented the Sullivan Unit 10 Major Overhaul and answered questions from the Board.

Director Cooper moved, and Director Morse seconded that the Chugach Board of Directors authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute a contract with TransCanada Turbines Ltd. for the overhaul of the Sullivan Power Plant Unit 10 turbine, and for the procurement of materials and all associated work required for the installation of the spare turbine, at a total installed cost not to exceed \$9,200,000. The motion passed unanimously.

**IX. DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Director comments were made at this time.

**X. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Recess (15 minutes)

*A. Collective Bargaining Negotiations (Menefee/Millen)*

*B. Chief Executive Evaluation (Board)*

At 7:16 p.m. Director Fleek-Green moved, and Director Morse seconded the motion that pursuant to Alaska Statute 10.25.175(c)(1), (3) and (4), the Board of Directors go into executive session to: 1) discuss and receive reports regarding matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect on the finances of the cooperative; 2) discuss with its attorneys matters the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the legal position of the cooperative; and 3) discuss personnel matters. The motion passed unanimously.

*The meeting reconvened to open session at 9:14 p.m.*

**XI. NEW BUSINESS**

*A. Chief Executive Officer Evaluation*

Director Chastain moved, and Director Cooper seconded that the Board of Directors approve the May 1, 2024 – April 30, 2025, Chief Executive Officer evaluation and compensation as discussed in executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:16 p.m. Director Chastain moved, and Director Cooper seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.



Susanne Fleek-Green, Secretary

Date Approved: June 25, 2025