

CHUGACH ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
Anchorage, Alaska

January 19, 2022
Wednesday
4:00 p.m.

REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Recording Secretary: Arden Quezon

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Morse called the Regular Board of Directors' meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. in the boardroom of Chugach Electric Association, Inc., 5601 Electron Drive, Anchorage, Alaska.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Morse led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Rachel Morse, Chair

Bettina Chastain, Vice Chair

James Henderson, Secretary (*via teleconference*)

Harold Hollis, Treasurer (*via teleconference*)

Sam Cason, Director (*arrived at 4:09 p.m.*)

Mark Wiggin, Director (*via teleconference*)

Erin Whitney, Director

Director Whitney was delegated as acting Board Treasurer.

Director Cason was delegated as acting Board Secretary.

Director Chastain was delegated to sign Directors Hollis and Wiggin's expense reports.

Chair Morse was delegated to sign Director Henderson's expense report.

Guests and Staff Attendance

Present:

Lee Thibert

Brian Hickey

Matthew Clarkson

Arthur Miller

Mark Fouts

Julie Hasquet

Sandra Cacy

Karen Griffin

Teresa Kurka

Marty Freeman

Lynda Muise

Via Teleconference:

Ashton Doyle	Jonas Banta,	Rachel Christensen,
Connie Owens	Alaska Center	Alaska Center
Crystal Enkvist, APA	Kyla Kosednar,	Pete Smithson
Josh Travis	Alaska Center	Todd McCarty
Jenny-Marie Stryker,	Kathy Harris	Sean Skaling
Alaska Center		

C. *Safety Minute*

Marty Freeman, Sr. Manager HSE, discussed “*Ladder Safety.*”

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Whitney moved and Director Wiggin seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Cason was not present at the time of the vote.

III. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

None.

IV. DIRECTOR REPORTS

A. *Alaska Power Association (APA) Report*

Director Hollis introduced Crystal Enkvist, Executive Director, APA and she provided an update on APA activities, upcoming events and responded to questions from the Board.

Director Cason arrived at 4:09 p.m.

B. *Renewable Energy Alaska Project (REAP) Report*

Director Whitney stated that she is now the REAP Alternate Liaison and Director Wiggin as the Liaison.

Directors Whitney and Wiggin reported on the January 12, 2022, REAP Public Policy Committee and January 14, 2022, REAP Annual Board meetings and responded to questions from the Board.

Lee Thibert, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), stated that further discussion will continue in Executive Session.

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

Director Hollis stated that the last Audit and Finance was on December and reported that there was no meeting to report. He also said the next meeting is scheduled on March 30, 2022.

Director Chastain reported on the January 17, 2022, Operations Committee meeting and stated that the next meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2022.

Director Cason reported on the January 17, 2022, Governance Committee meeting and stated that there is a Special Board meeting on January 20, 2022 and the next meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2022.

- D. *Other Meeting Reports*
None.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. *Board Calendar*
B. *Training and Conferences*
 1. *NRECA PowerXchange, March 4-9, 2022, Nashville, TN*
C. *Minutes*
 1. *December, 15, 2021, Regular Board of Directors' Meeting (Doyle)*
D. *Director Expenses*
E. *Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Authorization (McCarty/Travis)*
F. *Resource Data Inc. (RDI) Contract (McCarty/Travis)*

Director Wiggin moved and Director Chastain seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

It was noted that the February 23, 2022, Railbelt Issues Forum calendar invite will be sent to Director Henderson as requested.

VI. CEO REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- A. *October 2021 Financial Statements and Variance Report (Highers/Griffin)*
Karen Griffin, Controller reported on the October 2021 Financial Statements and Variance Report and responded to questions from the Board.
- B. *4th Quarter 2021 Safety Report (Clarkson/Freeman)*
The 4th Quarter 2021 Safety Report was provided in the meeting packet.
- C. *Write-off of Accounts Receivable – Electric/Other (Kurka/Miller)*
The Write-off of Accounts Receivable – Electric/Other was provided in the meeting packet.
- D. *Net Metering Update (Miller)*
The Net Metering Update was provided in the meeting packet.
- E. *Board Policy Scheduled Tasks/Reports (Board/Staff)*
The Board Policy Scheduled Tasks/Reports were provided in the meeting packet.

Lee Thibert, CEO, discussed the CEO Reports and Correspondence contents and responded to questions from the Board.

Marty Freeman, Sr. Manager HSE, responded to questions on the 4th Quarter 2021 Safety Report.

VII. UNFINISHED

None.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Charge to the Member Advisory Council (MAC)

Director Cason discussed the Charge to the Member Advisory Council and responded to questions from the Board.

Director Cason moved and Director Wiggin seconded the motion that the Board of Directors complete the charge to the Member Advisory Council (MAC) as discussed. The motion passed unanimously.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Preliminary November 2021 Financials (Griffin)

B. COVID-19 Update (Hasquet/Clarkson)

C. Update on Rate Decoupling (Clarkson/Miller)

D. Update on Beluga River Unit Regulatory Commission Order (Clarkson/Miller)

E. Update on Railbelt Reliability Council (RRC) (Hickey)

F. Update on Renewable Portfolio Standard (Thibert)

G. Update on CEO Search (Board)

At 4:56 p.m., Director Chastain moved and Director Cason 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 financial matters, the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect on the finances of the cooperative; 2) discuss with its attorneys legal matters, the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the legal position of the cooperative; and 3) personnel matters. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting reconvened in open session at 7:35 p.m.

X. NEW BUSINESS

None.

XI. DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director comments were made at this time.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:35 p.m., Director Cason moved and Director Wiggin seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.



James Henderson, Secretary

Date Approved: February 16, 2022