

**NUTSEA General Session**  
**1:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 27, 2006**  
**Renaissance Hotel-Oklahoma City, OK**

I. Chairman Jerry Franklin called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm and gave out several door prizes. Franklin then asked Vernon Shearer to lead the group in prayer.

II. Franklin called for a quorum of the membership. Secretary, Mike Bird confirmed there was a quorum.

III. Franklin called on Melissa Robokoff to read the minutes of previous meeting. There was a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

IV. Committee Reports

a. Host Committee Report-Kenny Guffey reported that 93 members and 37 guests registered for the Conference and 129 are expected at the banquet tonight.

b. Operations & Rules Committee-nothing to report

c. Nominating Committee- Kenny Guffey reported on the Committee's recommended nomination of slate of officers and directors and thanked the committee (Angela Hughes and Tommy Greer) for their efforts:

Mike Bergeaux	3 year Director
Steve Talbott	3 year Director
Gayvin Strantz	2 year Director
Pat Whalen	2 year Director
Birchie West	1 year Director
Bob Stefancik	1 year Director
Jim Nevel	Treasurer
Vernon Shearer	Secretary
Mike Bird	Vice Chairman

## **NUTSEA Business Meeting**

**September 28, 2006\*\* 8:00 a.m.**

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- I. Out-going Chairman, Jerry Franklin opened the meeting. He called on Ronnie Johnson for a prayer. Franklin thanked OAEC for their efforts putting on the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference.
- II. Jerry Franklin officially handed the NUTSEA gavel to Bob Cooper. Cooper then presented Franklin with an honorary gavel as a gift for his service. Cooper thanked the group for the honor of being presented with the Potthast Award.
- III. Kenny Guffey, OAEC thanked the group for attending the 64th Annual Conference and noted that the financials with the hotel will be closed this morning.
- III. 2007 Host State- a video was shown depicting downtown Louisville, KY and local attractions. The 2007 Annual Conference will be the week of September 23, 2007 at the Galt House Hotel and Suites. Room rates will be \$115 per night.
- IV. Request for Hosts for future NUTSEA Conference- Cooper asked for letters of commitment from any hosts who are interested in hosting future conferences. Possible locations included Arizona and Minnesota.
- V. New Business-none
- VI. Closing Announcements-none.
- VII. Adjourn-there was a motion to adjourn the 64th Annual Conference. Motion was seconded and passed. Meeting was adjourned at 8:14 am.

Bob Cooper      Chairman

There was a motion to close the nominations. The motion was seconded and passed.

There was a motion to approve each candidate as presented; the motions were seconded and passed.

Kenny Guffey announced the Committee's recommendation for NUTSEA's RESAP delegate as Mike Finerfrock. This term will expire in 2011. There was a motion to accept the committee's recommendation. The motion was seconded and passed.

d. Resolutions Committee – Larry Baker, recognized Pat Whalen and Roger Wenning for their work on the Committee. Baker reported on this year's speaker gift purchase. Baker presented the following resolution: The NUTSEA organization recognizes the efforts of the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives in hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Be it therefore resolved that the NUTSEA membership extends a sincere thanks to our gracious host-Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives. Motion to accept the resolution as read. Motion was seconded and passed.

e. Membership Committee –Norm McDugle recognized the other committee members; Bob Cooper and Deana Soderberg. McDugle reported there were 25 new active members who were voted into membership.

f. Regulatory Report-Jim Nevel thanked Doug Drake and Jon Glazier for their service to the Committee. He presented a brief overview of the following report:

h. New member orientation-Bob Stefancik thanked Lloyd Sholes and Angela Hughes and Wade Hurst for their efforts. Stefancik reported that 13 members attended the lunch meeting. At the meeting, Stefancik welcomed the members, handed out NUTSEA briefcases, new member discs and answered questions.

- i. Professional Safety Training-Tommy Greer, no report at this time
- j. G&T Section-Buddy Manning, no report at this time
- k. Distribution Section- Birchie West reported that 32 members attended this lunch. Buck Theriot, no report at this time
- l. Substance Abuse/Co-op Security. Mike Stamper reported the evaluations were very good from this presentation.
- m. DOT- Jim Nevel reported on this presentation.
- n. Hurricane Summary-73 evaluations were turned in and most rated it excellent.
- o. Back injury-Gayvin Strantz-42 evaluations were turned in and most were excellent.
- p. Program Sharing- Pat Whalen reported on the five programs presented: Highway Watch Program, Mobile Crane Safety, Substation Safety, Safety Attitude Development and Reporting Accidents. Evaluations were very positive.
  
- q. Roundtable discussions: About 45 people attend the JT&S roundtable. Discussions included hazardous materials, hard hats, FR clothing, technical colleges, recruitment. Jon Glazier also reported on regulatory issues.
  
- r. Distribution Ops –Clarence Green introduced himself as the new chairman of this group. Ray Pantel Award
- s. G&T-Vernon Shearer reported that Bruce Heilchbach was a guest speaker at their lunch. Other discussions included:
  
- t. SAIA Report, Norm McDugle reported the Chairman was not available. This group discussed Hurricane recovery efforts.
  
- u. Quad State, Mike Stamper-

V. Treasurers Report-Vern Shearer reported the NUTSEA account is at \$46772.42. This does not include 2006 conference expenditures or all revenues.

VI. Hard Hat donations totaled \$462. Motion to increase donation to \$500. Motion was seconded and passed.

VII. NRECA report-Jon Glazier provided an overview of the OSHA's proposed changes. Glazier noted the week-long hearing held earlier this year. Glazier reported there is no longer "hours of service" or record keeping rule for utilities. The regulations have not been changed to reflect the change but it is the law at this time. Glazier reported that FEMA may have changes soon on characterizing disasters. The mutual aid agreement has been signed by over 800 members and posted to the cooperative.com website. Glazier then noted NIMS compliance is being pushed as the standard by FEMA but it is not law and not required for FEMA eligibility.

VIII. Motion to accept all reports as given. Motion was seconded and approved.

IX. RESAP- no report available

IX. Old Business-there was no old business

X. Franklin adjourned the session at 1:58pm until Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am.