

# NUTSEA 71st Annual Conference Savannah, Georgia

September 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013

## Monday, September 24

- I. Jim Wright called the NUTSEA 71<sup>st</sup> annual conference to order at 8:30 am.
- II. Battalion Chief Rentear with the Savannah Fire Department Color Guard presented the colors, and Brandon Wylie sang the National Anthem.
- III. Jim Wright introduced Danny Hayes who led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. Jim then introduced Terry Adkins who offered the opening Invocation.
- V. Chairman comments:
  - a. Jim thanked his host committee from Georgia EMC: Greg McKoy, Harry Reeves, Jamie Kitchens, Paul Eckstein and Beth Norris
  - b. Sgt. Of Arms were identified as Harry Reeves, Greg McKoy, Jamie Kitchens, and Paul Eckstein.
  - c. Our parliamentarian is Martha Duggan.
- VI. The group passed hard hats to again benefit the Wounded Warrior Project and collected \$2,262.
- VII. Jim introduced Paul Wood of Georgia EMC who provided welcoming comments and encouraged everyone to enjoy their stay in Savannah.
- VIII. Business Meeting: Jim introduced the BOD and confirmed there was a Quorum.
- IX. Jim welcomed Mike Weltzheimer to the podium. Mike thanked the Membership Committee; Wendy Regan and Bobby Love and presented the following for member vote:

### **Last**

Brackin  
Burch  
Conoly  
Cook  
Cotton  
Crosby  
Davis  
Estes

### **First**

Wayne  
Kevin  
Bill  
Jeff  
Ali  
John  
Stephen  
Stephen

### **Utility**

Tideland EMC  
Hoosier Energy  
Rio Grande EC  
Electric Cities of GA  
Pennyrile EC  
Illinois Statewide  
Illinois Statewide  
Trinity Valley EC

Doherty	Frank	South Dakota Statewide
Fowler	Doug	Electric City of GA
Gordon	Mark	Grand Canyon State
Hall	Michael	Snapping Shoals EC
Hopper	Tracy	Salt River EC
Lee	Wes	Mississippi Statewide
McElroy	Joe	Michigan Statewide
McMahan	Lily	Colorado Statewide
Manring	Buddy	Power South Energy
Miller	Dwight	Ohio Statewide
Minton	Bucky	Farmer's Electric
Monaco	Jerome	Ohio Statewide
Peare	Cindy	Coos Curry EC
Pitts	Mike	Oglethorpe Power
Purtle	Timothy	Missouri Statewide
Rose	Laura	Old Dominion EC
Springer	Tim	Boone EC
Ward	Scott	Central Florida EC
Welliver	Bruce	Wolverine Power
White	Randy	Surry-Yadkin EMC
Adams	James	City of LaGrange
Babcock	David	Sam Houston EC
Hawthorne	Larry	Jasper Newton EC
Marable	Michael	Southeastern Testing

There was a motion and second to approve the new members; all were approved for membership. Jim asked those present to stand and be recognized.

- X. Nominating Committee: the Chair of this committee was unable to attend so Danny Hayes thanked the rest of the committee Bob Cooper, Kenny Guffey, and Mike Bergeaux for their service and introduced the proposed slate of Executive Committee Nominees for 2013-2014:

Chairman – Jamie Hull, PA  
 Vice Chairman – Bobby Love, NC  
 Secretary – Terry Adkins, IN  
 Treasurer – Glenn Cunningham, GA

1 Year Director – Jim Ed Burris, KY  
 1 Year Director – Aarron Graham, LA

2 Year Director – Terry Ebright, SD  
 2 Year Director – Kooney Duncan, OK

3 Year Director – Mike Williams, CO  
 3 Year Director – Mike Weltzheimer, MS

Past Chair – Jim Wright, GA

Office of NUTSEA Chair: Jamie Hull was nominated by the NUTSEA Nominating Committee. There being no nominations from the floor Jamie was voted into the position.

Office of NUTSEA Vice-Chair: Bobby Love was nominated by the NUTSEA Nominating Committee. There being no nominations from the floor Bobby was voted into the position.

Office of NUTSEA Secretary: Terry Adkins was nominated by the NUTSEA Nominating Committee. There being no nominations from the floor Terry was voted into the position.

Office of the NUTSEA Treasurer: Glenn Cunningham was nominated by the NUTSEA Nominating Committee. There being no nominations from the floor Glenn was voted into the position.

3 Year Director: Mike Williams was nominated by the NUTSEA Nominating Committee. There being no nominations from the floor Mike was voted into the position.

3 Year Director: Mike Weltzheimer was nominated by the NUTSEA Nominating Committee. There being no nominations from the floor Mike was voted into the position.

Jim thanked Lou Delaby for his time on the Board.

The business meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m. until Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.

Wednesday, September 25, 2013 – Business Meeting

- I. The meeting was called back into order at 1:00 p.m.
- II. Jim declared a quorum was again present for the meeting.
- III. The meeting minutes from 2012 were approved as written.
- IV. Committee Reports:
  - a. Host Committee Report – Jim Wright reported 168 people in attendance.
  - b. Resolutions Committee – Don Harbuck recognized the members (Bobby Love, Jim Ed Burris, and Ravonda Laws). The committee discussed speaker awards plus suggestions and acceptance of a design.
  - c. Operations & Rules Committee – Garry Christoperson, no report.
  - d. Membership Committee – Michael Weltzheimer recognized the members (Wendy Regan and Bobby Love). There were 36 new active members representing 18 states.
  - e. Regulatory Standards/Legislative Report – Roger Stegeman thanked the members (Mark Zavislan and Martha Duggan). Hot topics currently include pending OSHA 1910.269 updates, the FMLSA, and FEMA.
  - f. New Member Orientation – Jamie Hull thanked Terry Adkins and noted the meeting was held Monday. There were 9 new members attending, and each was given a flash drive with important information and a NUTSEA bag.

- g. G & T Section – Lisa Wagner thanked the other members Ravonda Laws and Kirk Wulf. New officers were elected and the group discussed various topics including the APPA safety manual, safety programs/committees, a G & T audit checklist and information regarding crane training.
- h. Distribution Section – Lou Delaby recognized Fran Achille and Glenn Cunningham. The group discussed several topics including substation sabotage reporting, CT testing & worker protection, OSHA interpretation letter on free rigging with forklifts, ARC flash new clothing requirements, and various topic sharing.
- i. J T & S – Mike Bergeaux reported 75 members attended and discussed such topics such as Linemen Training programs, storm work passes, the Safety Summit, safety budget cuts, and reviewed an underground accident.
- j. Program Sharing – Terry Adkins reported 5 volunteers provided programs and all members received copies on a flash drive.
- k. SAIA Report – The 2013 summer meeting was hosted by the Association of Louisiana Electric Cooperatives, held in New Orleans with 81 attendees and 10 new member applications. The 2013 fall meeting was held on Monday, with 34 attending. New officers were elected and the new website was introduced. The 2014 summer meeting will be hosted by the Electric Power Association of Mississippi at the Beau Rivage, June 9 – 12<sup>th</sup>.
- l. Quad States – Lance Burke reported their summer meeting was held in Billings, MT hosted by Norm Clark – 36 members attended with 11 new members voted in and 6 announcing they will be retiring. The next meeting will be held in Iowa hosted by John Dvorak, January 13 – 17, 2014, and the June meeting will be held in LaCross, WI, June 9 – 12, 2014.
- V. Treasurer’s report – Terry Adkins reported as of August 31, 2013 we had \$116,728 in the bank, with all conference related invoices yet to be paid.
- VI. Report on Hard Hat donation, \$2,262 was collected. **A motion was made and seconded to double that amount to \$4,424.** Motion passed unanimously.
- VII. NRECA Report – Bud Branham showed a short presentation on the CLCP in Perron’s absence.
- VIII. RESAP Report – Bud briefly updated everyone on changes to the RESAP program including to the existing books.

**New Business:**

Jim Wright had the staff of the hotel come in so we could thank them for their wonderful service.

Jim Wright passed the gavel to Jamie Hull. Jamie thanked Jim for his hard work on the board and as the host state this year, they did a superb job.

Jamie then introduced Mike Williams who showed a promotional video on Colorado Springs, CO where our 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference will be held.

With no further business a motion was made to adjourn the 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.