

# **CARTERET-CRAVEN ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION**

## **DBA CARTERET-CRAVEN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE**

### **83<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS • MAY 4, 2023**

The 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Members of Carteret-Craven Electric Membership Corporation (CCEMC) was held Thursday, May 4, 2023, at Glad Tidings Church, Country Club Road, Morehead City, NC. Registration opened at 5 p.m. and member activities included displays and demonstrations, the Carteret-Craven Electric Foundation and food service. The Broad Creek Middle School Jazz Band and the Croatan High School Chorus provided entertainment prior to the business meeting.

President Anthony Nelson called the business meeting to order at 7 p.m. The invocation was given by Glad Tidings Church Senior Pastor Tim Marriner. West Carteret High School NJROTC presented the colors, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Director Ben Ball. The National Anthem was performed by the Croatan High School Chorus.

President Nelson introduced program participants and the CCEMC Board of Directors. Members Paul Gainey and Jeremy Ganey were recognized as chairs of this year's Nominating Committee and Credentials and Elections Committee respectively. CCEMC Foundation members were introduced and thanked for their service to the cooperative and the community. Also in attendance were Charlie Bayless, Sr. VP and General Counsel, NCEMC; Farris Leonard, Director, Job Training and Safety, NCAEC; and John Hellman, Director, Marketing and Technical Services, TEMA.

President Nelson highlighted information from the 2022 financial statement regarding revenues and expenses, new services, miles of line and the return of \$3.5 million in capital credits.

Secretary Lock reported that 472 members had registered for the meeting, which constituted a quorum of members for conducting the meeting.

Secretary Lock announced that the minutes of the 2022 Annual Meeting were mailed to the members in the May edition of Member News. She made a motion that the minutes be approved as written. The motion was duly seconded and carried.

President Nelson asked the Secretary to read the Official Notice of the Meeting and attest to its mailing. A motion was duly made, seconded and carried, to dispense with the reading of the notice. Jeremy Ganey, chair of the Credentials and Elections Committee, declared the registration closed.

CEO Jacob Joplin introduced the Carteret Craven Foundation scholarship winners. Foundation Board President Jeremy Ganey and Leigh Ann Jones, Billing Manager and Foundation Liaison, presented plaques to the scholarship recipients in attendance: Ashley Van, Autumn Tate, Ella Stroehmann and Maggie Davis. Scholarship recipient Alisha Tosto was unable to attend. Joplin then introduced this year's Touchstone Sports Scholarship recipients. CCEMC Communications Director Melissa Glenn presented awards to Morgan Outerbridge and Lucia Lyliston.

CEO Joplin shared highlights of 2022, as well as an overview of the co-op's current activities and future plans. The meeting included videos highlighting the co-op's new battery storage system and high school line technician camp.

Cooperative Attorney James Norment was made acting chairperson of the meeting. He explained the election process, including the functions of the Credentials and Elections Committee and the Nominating Committee.

Paul Gainey, chair of the Nominating Committee, was recognized to present the report of the Committee. Other committee members were David Bryant, Pam Mizell, Loretta Baily, Eric Floyd and Pamela Holder. The nominees for each district were: District 6, Doug Fulcher; District 7, Anthony Nelson; and District 9, Alvin West.

Secretary Lock cast one ballot for each of the uncontested nominees. Attorney Norment declared the ballots properly cast and referred to the Credentials and Elections Committee for final certification. The election being concluded, he relinquished the chair to President Nelson.

There being no further business, President Nelson adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Cooperative employee Lynn Salter announced the winner of the Relay for Life 50/50 raffle. Prizes of six months of electricity, a pickup truck and cash were awarded by cooperative employees.