

CHOCTAW ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC
P.O. Box 758 – Hugo, Oklahoma 74743

Regular Meeting Minutes of the Board of Trustees

The regular meeting of the board of trustees of Choctaw Electric Cooperative was held in the board room of the cooperative in Hugo, Oklahoma, May 26, 2026.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Brent Franks called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

The following trustees were present:

Brent Franks, District G

Perry Thompson, Jr., District E

Ken Autry, District I

Bill Woolsey, District D

Jarred Campbell, District A

Debbie Cody, District F

Stacy Nichols, District C

Jackson Ferguson, District H

Jana Burris, District B, attended virtually.

Council for the cooperative, J. Frank Wolf, III, was present. Choctaw Electric Cooperative staff present were: Kooney Duncan, CEO & General Manager; Tanya Roebuck, Executive Assistant; Rickey Bowen, System Administrator; and Michael Melton, Director of Finance and Accounting.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Upon call from President Franks, Jackson Ferguson gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Introduction of Guests

No guests were present.

4. Consent Items

- a. Approval of the April 28, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Authorization to Write Off the April 2025 Uncollected Accounts

Motion by Ken Autry

Seconded by Bill Woolsey

To approve the April 28, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, and authorization to write off the April 2025 Uncollected Accounts in the amount of \$5,461.55.

Approved without discussion. The motion carried.

5. Department Reports

- a. Service and Construction:

- The Operations Department East & West Service Crews completed 406 cases in April.
- 13 idles services were retired this month.
- Contractors are changing out bad poles on the Haworth Substation.
- 44 jobs were released for construction.
- 52 jobs were staked.

b. Right of Way & Service Quality

- The Choctaw Electric in-house crew worked in the Smithville area, clearing 4.6 miles on the Bethel Sub.
- Texar Line Clearance cleared 22.1 miles on the Broken Bow Sub and completed their contract.
- Withers Construction's right of way crew cleared a total of 40.1 miles in April.

c. Safety & Technical Operations

- Outside employees attended on-site training by the Altec Sentry program covering the topics of Digger Derricks and Hot Stick testing.
- 26 field service calls were taken.
- 81,320 vehicle miles were driven in April.

d. IT System Report

- The IT department has configured all the new iPad's and started dispersing them to the board members and employees.
- Looking for a vendor to develop a new website for the cooperative.

e. Customer Service and Billing

- 829 past due notices/courtesy calls were made this month.
- 91 accounts went paperless.
- 10,078 total Smarthub customers.

f. Member Services

- There are 7 new storm shelters loans approved and waiting on installation.
- There were 3,474 visits to the Choctaw Electric Facebook page.
- CEC will host a blood drive on June 18th at the Hugo office.

6. Financial Report

Michael Melton gave the April 2026 Financial report.

- April Revenue \$4,315,000; YTD revenue \$19,993,145
- April Cost of Power \$2,715,041; YTD Cost of Power \$12,343,924
- April Total Cost of Electric Service \$4,483,493; YTD Total Cost of Electric Service \$18,858,291
- April 2026 kWh Sales 36,463,617; April 2025 kWh Sales 36,359,041
- April 2026 Revenue from Electric Sales, \$4,274,734; April 2025 Revenue from Electric Sales, \$4,200,953
- April 2026 WFEC kWh Purchased 36,284,885; April 2025 kWh Purchased 36,716,587
- April 2026 WFEC Average Cost per kWh \$0.0748; April 2025 WFEC Average Cost per kWh \$0.0720

Craven Green was not present at this time to give the Raymond James financial update, so item 6.e. was postponed until later in the meeting.

7. Attorney's Report

No report.

8. CEO Report

- WFEC Committee/Board Meeting – May 12th and 13th, 2026
 - Update provided on WFEC railroad activity – maintenance, contracting, etc.
 - Natural gas storage above 5-year average

- Cost of Power expectation through May 15th, 2026
 - May temperatures have been mostly in line with seasonal averages, so far. Heating Degree Days (HDD) are projected near 50, with Cooling Degree Days (CDD) estimated at 130-150 for New Mexico and Oklahoma, respectively.
 - Monthly day-ahead weighted average market load costs have averaged close to \$28/MWh, up from \$23/MWh last month. Higher load costs could result in fewer wind curtailments, which is something we will try to gauge moving forward.
- 2026 Region 8 Managers Conference – May 11th – 13th, 2026
 - Updates from Industry Partners (CoBank, CFC, Federated, NRTC)
 - Economic Overview – Interest Rates – Potential to see them lowered mid-2027.
 - Employee Retention – Need to do a better job selling cooperative benefits.
- Energize Credit Union Strategic Planning session—May 7th, 2026.
 - Identified Strategic Goals
 - Board make-up
 - Unified set of policies
 - Low rates
- CEC Finance and Accounting
 - Working on a 10-year financial forecast for the Strategic Planning meeting.
 - Estate Capital Credits will pause at the end of the month until allocations are completed.
 - Form 990 is in final review.
- CEC Operations
 - Hochatown to Creekside RV project is underway, while crews are working on the double circuit outside of the Hochatown substation.
 - Ferreira Power South is working on the Garvin pole change-out.
- CEC posted a job announcement for an Operations Supervisor with Safety Emphasis.
- CEC staff talked to Laura Araujo, newsletter editor, and started planning for the Annual Report.
- CEC staff along with CoBank are working on the agenda for the Strategic Planning meeting.
- Plans are being made for the 2026 Buddy Ball game on October 3, 2026.
- CEC staff have begun planning for a shared file document management location.

9. Executive Session

President Franks announced the board would convene in Executive Session to discuss personnel, contracts, and legal matters.

Motion by Jackson Ferguson at 9:39 a.m.

Seconded by Debbie Cody to enter Executive Session.

The motion carried. The board convened into Executive Session.

Motion by Ken Autry at 10:34 a.m.

Seconded by Bill Woolsey to reconvene in regular session.

The motion carried. The meeting was reconvened in regular session.

At this time, President Brenk Franks introduced Craven Green, Investment Executive from Raymond James Financial Services, Inc. Also in attendance were Troy Lopez and Sadie Washburn. Mr. Green gave an update on the Raymond James financial account.

10. Action Items

a. Release of Service—Hale

This single residence, new construction is located near Fort Towson in Choctaw County within the service territory of Choctaw Electric. However, the previous residence located a few hundred feet from the new construction was previously served by PSO.

Motion by Jackson Ferguson
Seconded by Debbie Cody

To approve the release of service to PSO based on the location of the single residence and the costs associated with clearing the land to run CEC lines.

The motion was approved. Motion carried.

b. Re-delineation of Board Districts—Resolution # 2026-002

Motion by Stacy Nichols
Seconded by Perry Thompson, Jr.

To approve the re-delineation of board districts as presented as required by CEC Bylaws Section 4.05, based upon the fact that inequalities of five percent (5%) or more in representation were found to exist in the current boundaries.

Board members voting in favor were Brent Franks, Perry Thompson, Jr., Jana Burris, Stacy Nichols, Debbie Cody, Jarred Campbell, Jackson Ferguson, & Ken Autry.

Board member voting in opposition was Bill Woolsey.

The motion was approved. Motion carried.

c. Policies, Practices, & Procedures Revisions

Motion by Bill Woolsey
Seconded by Debbie Cody

To approve the changes to the Choctaw Electric Policies, Practices, & Procedures as presented.

The motion was approved. Motion carried.

11. WFEC Report

Ken Autry attended the WFEC board meeting. He reported that Renewable Energy Resources for April included wind—303,321 MWh or 34.06%, solar—77,184 MWh or 8.67%, and hydro—57,800 MWh or 6.49%. He also noted that the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) currently has 448 MW of controllable and dispatchable summer demand response. By 2030, SPP expects that total to increase to 4,100 MW.

12. Other Business

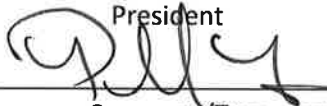
No other business to discuss.

13. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, upon motion made by Perry Thompson, Jr. and seconded by Stacy Nichols, the meeting was adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

Board Expenses Reported for May 1-26, 2026

Bill Woolsey	\$593.50
Ken Autry	\$618.15
Stacy Nichols	\$633.10
Brent Franks	\$581.42
Debbie Cody	\$549.52
Perry Thompson, Jr.	\$548.80
Jarred Campbell	\$622.50
Jana Burris	\$950.34
Jackson Ferguson	\$559.43

 _____ President		6-30-26 _____ Date
 _____ Secretary/Treasurer		6-30-26 _____ Date