

2022 CREDENTIALS & ELECTION COMMITTEE
FAIRFIELD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
MINUTES OF MARCH 29, 2022 MEETING

The Credentials and Election Committee of Fairfield Electric Cooperative, Inc. met on Tuesday, March 29, 2022, at the cooperative headquarters in Blythewood, South Carolina at 10:00 a.m. The following committee members were present: Jim Stroman, Sarah Coleman, Jody Brazell, Joseph B. (Ben) Connell, Ronald Friday, Willie Belton, Randy Frick, Thomas Martin, Frances Jane Wright, Willie Thompson, Tommy Raines, John Trapp, Thomas Keith Bailey, George Creighton Taylor, and Sheila Bracey via conference call.

William Coleman, J.C. Trapp, Al Bozard, and Samuel Henry were absent.

Attorney John DuBose was present as legal counsel for the committee.

Attorney John DuBose welcomed committee members and Ben Connell gave the invocation.

Attorney John DuBose reported the first order of business was to elect a chairperson and secretary for the committee. Upon motion made by Frances Wright, seconded by Ben Connell, motion carried, Keith Bailey **was elected Committee Chairperson.** Thereafter, upon motion made by Ronald Friday, seconded by Creighton Taylor, motion carried, Sarah Coleman **was elected Committee Secretary.**

Chairperson Bailey reviewed and discussed the new 9 single member districts and 2 Districts At-Large in accordance with Bylaws Section 4.05 Trustee Districts. The terms for the trustee districts, the districts up for re-election, and the Single Member District Map were reviewed and discussed with committee members.

Fairfield Electric Cooperative, Inc. 2022 Nominating Committee Meeting Report and Minutes dated March 14, 2022 (Bylaw Section 4.06) were received as information by the committee members.

Bylaw Section 3.06 Credentials & Election Committee was discussed with committee members in regards to the responsibilities of the committee.

Information packages were distributed to committee members. After review and discussion, upon motion made by Tommy Raines, seconded by Ronald Friday, motion carried, the following were approved and acknowledged:

- A. Early Drive Through Registration & Early Voting Locations
- * Early drive through registration and voting – May 16 – 20, 2022
 - * Hours 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. except for annual meeting day
 - * Registration & Voting will be held in one county each day
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| Monday | May 16 | Chester |
| Tuesday | May 17 | Kershaw |
| Wednesday | May 18 | Richland |
| Thursday | May 19 | Fairfield |
| Friday | May 20 | Fairfield – 7:00 a.m. to Noon |

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B. Early Drive Through Registration & Early Voting Procedures

- * Members will be required to present a photo i.d. in order to be validated a member and then allowed to register.
- * Pre-Registration cards will be bar-coded and electronically scanned at drive through registration lines by Fairfield County Voter Registration Office.
- * Members without the pre-registration form or members “other than natural person” accounts will be validated by cooperative records.
- * Registered member proceeds to the drive through voting station and votes the “Official Ballot” electronically as provided and operated by the Fairfield County Voter Registration Office. After voting, the member will be provided their registration gift.
- * Members may register and vote at any location on established dates.
- * A Credential & Election Committee member is required to oversee registration and voting operated by the Fairfield County Voter Registration Office at all times.
- * Committee Chairperson attends Virtual Annual Business Meeting May 20 - 6:00 p.m. – Blythewood Office and reports election results.

C. Electronic Voting as operated by the Fairfield County Voter Registration Office.

D. Electronic Tabulation of Votes as provided by the Fairfield County Voter Registration Office.

E. Use of Fairfield County Voter Registration Office to operate the registration and voting for the election.

F. Policy 31 – Board Campaigns acknowledged and discussed. Upon motion made by Jody Brazell, seconded by Ben Connell, motion carried, the committee entered Executive Session for legal counsel. Upon motion made and carried the committee returned to regular session and no action was taken on Policy 31.


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General discussions and planning sessions were held while the minutes were being prepared. Thereafter, the minutes of the meeting were presented to the committee. Upon motion made by Jody Brazel, seconded by Francis Wright, motion carried, the minutes of the Credentials & Election Committee meeting held March 29, 2022, are approved as presented.

There being no further business to come before the committee, upon motion made, seconded, and carried, the meeting adjourned.



Sarah Coleman, Committee Secretary



Keith Bailey
Committee Chairperson