

**2023 CREDENTIALS & ELECTION COMMITTEE**  
**FAIRFIELD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.**  
**MINUTES OF APRIL 10, 2023 MEETING**

The Credentials and Election Committee of Fairfield Electric Cooperative, Inc. met on Monday, April 10, 2023, at the cooperative headquarters in Blythewood, South Carolina at 10:30 a.m. The following committee members were present: Al Bozard, Jim Stroman, Sarah Coleman, Ronald Friday, Willie Belton, Randy Frick, Samuel Henry, Thomas Martin, Frances Jane Wright, Willie Thompson, Tommy Raines, John Trapp, J.C. Trapp, Keith Bailey, George Creighton Taylor, and Sheila Bracey.

William Coleman, Joseph B. (Ben) Connell, and Jody Brazell were absent.

Attorney Jay Bender joined the meeting remotely via video conference as legal counsel for the committee.

Erik Marsha welcomed committee members and Al Bozard gave the invocation.

Erik Marsha reported the first order of business was to elect a chairperson and secretary for the committee. Upon motion made by Tommy Martin, seconded by Frankie Wright, motion carried, Keith Bailey **was elected Committee Chairperson.** Thereafter, upon motion made by Ronald Friday, seconded by Tommy Raines, motion carried, Sarah Coleman **was elected Committee Secretary.**

Chairperson reviewed and discussed the 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. 2023 Nominating Committee Meeting Report and Minutes dated March 7, 2023 and March 14, 2023 (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 Ronald Friday, seconded by Al Bozard, motion carried, the following were approved and acknowledged:

- A. Early Drive Through Registration & Early Voting Locations
- \* Early drive through registration and voting – May 15 – 19, 2023
  - \* 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 15 | Chester                       |
| Tuesday   | May 16 | Kershaw                       |
| Wednesday | May 17 | Richland                      |
| Thursday  | May 18 | Fairfield                     |
| Friday    | May 19 | Fairfield – 7:00 a.m. to Noon |

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After review and discussion, upon motion made by Creighton Taylor, seconded by Frankie Wright, motion carried, the following were approved and acknowledged:

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

After review and discussion, upon motion made by Frankie Wright, seconded by Creighton Taylor, motion carried, the following were approved and acknowledged:

C. 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 votes the “Official Ballot” electronically using I-Pads and the New Horizon Copoerative voting App 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 19 - 6:00 p.m. – Blythewood Office and reports election results.

After review and discussion, upon motion made by Al Bozard, seconded by Ronald Friday, motion carried, the following were approved and acknowledged:

- D. “Official Electronic Ballot”

After review and discussion, upon motion made by Al Bozard, seconded by Willie Thompson, motion carried, the following were approved and acknowledged:

- E. “Official Provisional Ballot”

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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 Randy Frick, seconded by Tommy Raines, motion carried, the minutes of the Credentials & Election Committee meeting held April 10, 2023, 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 Thomas Bailey, Committee Chairperson