

PIONEER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

Greenville, Alabama

Annual Meeting

October 15, 2022

10:00 a.m.

A meeting of the membership of Pioneer Electric Cooperative, Inc., was held at the Butler County Fairgrounds on Saturday, October 15, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Linemen from Pioneer Electric Cooperative raised the American flag with the national anthem playing, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by the 2022 Youth Tour delegates.

Board Chairman John Henry then called the meeting to order and asked Pastor Terrance Scott of Mount Moriah Church #2 to offer an invocation.

Chairman Henry introduced the Pioneer Electric Cooperative Board of Trustees and the Operation Round Up Charitable Foundation Board of Trustees. He also recognized the linemen and students who took part in the opening ceremonies.

Chairman Henry and General Manager Terry Moseley recognized Mr. Carey Thompson, District 2 Board Member, for 15 years of service. Mr. Thompson decided not to seek re-election this year.

Pioneer's Board Secretary/Treasurer Glenn Branum gave a financial status report. He reported that Pioneer Electric Cooperative had received a "clean" audit report from Jackson Thornton & Co. He reported that Pioneer Electric Cooperative's equity on June 30, 2022, was 33.25%. He reported that Pioneer Electric Cooperative returned \$1,530,623 in capital credits, tax rebates and wholesale energy rebates in the 2022 fiscal year. Since 2012, Pioneer Electric Cooperative has returned \$8,447,864.16 to members. He reported that the board

has approved the retirement of approximately \$761,000 in capital credits this year, and the checks will be mailed to members in November.

Mr. Moseley expressed his appreciation to members for their attendance at the meeting and thanked members for their understanding and patience during the pandemic. He discussed the economic impacts of inflation, supply chain delays and wholesale power cost increases on Pioneer Electric Cooperative's cost of service. Mr. Moseley reported that in 2012, Pioneer Electric Cooperative's equity was 12.8 percent, compared to today's 33.9%. He also reported that the blended interest rate in 2012 was 6.5 percent APR, which has been reduced to 4 percent today. Mr. Moseley told members that the goals for the future are the same – build equity, control costs and repay capital credits. Mr. Moseley mentioned that the cooperative is working on rate options that will allow members more control over their power bills while helping Pioneer Electric Cooperative lower its costs.

Chairman Henry then called upon the cooperative's auditor, Mr. Woody Trimble from the firm Jackson Thornton & Co., who gave the auditor's report. He reported that that previous audit was considered a "clean" audit, and that no problems had been found in the finances of the cooperative. Mr. Trimble also gave the election results:

There were 1,923 votes cast – 1,740 by mail, 163 online and 20 in person at the annual meeting. With 989 total votes, William (Bill) Farrar won District 2; with 1,534 total votes, Dave Lyon, Jr., won district 5; with 1,533 total votes, Linda Arnold won District 8. Mr. Lyon and Mrs. Arnold were unopposed.

Board Vice Chair Melvia Carter was called upon to draw for door prizes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST: _____

President

Secretary/Treasurer