

MINUTES OF MEETING
San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
August 26, 2025

The regular Board of Director's Meeting of San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held on Tuesday, August 26, 2025 at the headquarters office located in Monte Vista, Colorado. Directors present were Stephen Valdez (president), Wade Lockhart (vice-president joined the meeting via Zoom at 9:47), Creede Hargraves (corporate secretary/treasurer), Scott Wolfe, Keenan Anderson and Carol Lee Dugan. Also present were Shay Denning (corporate attorney via Zoom), Eric Eriksen (chief executive officer), James Romero (chief financial officer), Shawn McKibbon (chief operations officer), Stacy Valdez (manager of customer service/billing), Terry Daley (engineering manager), Carol Silva (controller), Jennifer Alonzo (marketing/communications manager), Monroe Johnson (chief technology officer present for the KRTA presentation), and Michelle Trujillo (human resources officer/assistant corporate secretary).

Call to Order

Stephen Valdez called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM and Scott Wolfe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Welcome of Guest(s)

Dwain Tipton, Regional Vice-President from National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation (CFC), attended the meeting to present data related to the Key Ratio Trend Analysis.

Member Communication

Mail was circulated among the board members.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried by those present to approve the consent agenda containing the August 26, 2025 regular meeting agenda and the minutes from the regular board meeting held on July 29, 2025.

Steve Valdez recognized Creede Hargraves for achieving Gold status in the Director Credential program.

Management Reports

Eric Eriksen submitted a detailed executive report in advance of the meeting. Discussion ensued regarding the plan for communicating the recently approved Power Cost Adjustment to our members and the fact that the Tri-State Class A rate will be effective in January 2026.

Break: 10:44 AM

Reconvene: 10:54 AM

Safety Report: Michelle Trujillo reviewed the safety report and it stood as presented. Shawn McKibbon presented a plaque that REC was awarded at a recent Safety and Loss Control meeting for no lost time accidents.

Reliability Report: Terry Daley reviewed the submitted report. He talked in more detail about the RV park in South Fork and reviewed recent outages and the impact to the SAIFI metric due to higher volume of short outages in the Carmel area.

Cyber Security: Ross Coombs was present to review his submitted report focused on scammers targeting older generations and completely zeroing out retirement accounts.

Human Resources: Michelle Trujillo reviewed the submitted report and provided updates on internal transfers.

Marketing: Jennifer Alonzo reviewed the submitted report. She talked in further detail about the customer satisfaction survey in progress, On-line Bill Repayment program statistics, irrigation assessment and incentive program. She also brought up that the United Potato Growers of Colorado sent a \$500 check to contribute to a scholarship in Cole Wakasugi's honor. The Board opted to start an annual scholarship called the Cole Wakasugi Memorial Agricultural Scholarship.

Customer Service: Stacy Valdez reviewed the submitted report and it stood as presented.

Operations: Shawn McKibbin reported that there was a power supply issue with Xcel Energy the evening of August 25, 2025 over Poncha Pass affecting the Moffat and Oxcart Substations. Our members were out for 2 hours while Xcel Energy resolved the problem. He went on to review the submitted report and it stood as submitted.

Financials: James Romero presented the financial report through July 2025. Romero stated he will be proposing a plan to convert short-term debt to long term-debt next month.

Board Action

None

Agreements for Purchase of Power

The current list of Agreements for Purchase of Power was reviewed and discussed. (Copy attached hereto and made a part hereof.)

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Corporate Attorney – Shay Denning

Shay Denning briefly reviewed the submitted report and discussion was held regarding the railroad filing for abandonment and the impacts to the existing SLVREC/Ciello easement with them. Lastly, the termination of the AgriPower Agreement was mentioned.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Colorado Rural Electric Association - Stephen Valdez

Valdez reviewed the submitted report and informed the Board that the next meeting is scheduled for September 4-5, 2025 and will include final interviews with two candidates for the executive director position. He mentioned that there has been a lot of work on the Wildfire Mitigation bill and it is anticipated to get pulled and brought up again at a later date to gain more support.

Western United – Stephen Valdez

Valdez reviewed the submitted report stating growth is 11% over what was budgeted and the audit approval will be on the agenda for the upcoming meeting.

Tri-State – Scott Wolfe

Wolfe reviewed the submitted report and it stood as presented.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Future Dates

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for September 30, 2025 at 9:30 AM.

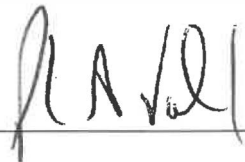
Board Comments:

Scott Wolfe reported some momentary blinks at his residence recently. Operations will check into this and report their findings.

Carol Lee Dugan wants to stay updated on the irrigation assessments process and the progress moving forward.

Adjournment

Stephen Valdez adjourned the meeting at 12:06 PM.



Stephen Valdez,
President



Creede Hargraves,
Corporate Secretary



Michelle Trujillo,
Assistant Corporate Secretary

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