

# Orcas Power & Light Cooperative Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, December 14, 2023

Streaming through Zoom attendees were Board members Vince Dauciunas, Jerry Whitfield, Brian Silverstein, Mark Madsen, Tom Osterman, Chuks Onwuneme, and Jeff Struthers. Staff present were General Manager Foster Hildreth; Manager of Engineering and Operations Russell Guerry; Manager of Finance and Member Services Nancy Loomis; Communications Manager Suzanne Olson (serving as recording secretary) and Head Accountant Travis Neal. Also present were Legal Counsel Joel Paisner and consultant Jay Kimball.

Members in attendance: Justin Wolfe, Chris Wolfe, Robert Memmott, Diane Asmuth, Heather Nicholson, Jacob Sanford, Molina Stone, Aaron Orozco, Alexandria Sanders

Meeting commenced at 8:30 a.m.

Member Comment Period: No member comments.

## ACTION ITEMS

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION** was made by Madsen to accept the consent agenda, seconded by Silverstein, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **RESOLUTION 4-2023: RUS SIGNING AUTHORITY**

**MOTION** was made by Madsen to give RUS signing authority to the Manager of Administration and Finance, Nancy Loomis and Secretary/Treasurer of the Board, Brian Silverstein, seconded by Whitfield, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

### 2024 Tariffs

**MOTION** was made by Whitfield to approve the 2024 Tariffs, seconded by Madsen, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **EGC Nomination**

**MOTION** was made by Madsen to approve the application of Rick Christmas to the EGC, seconded by Silverstein. Passed by voice vote with 2024 candidates Struthers and Osterman abstaining.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**2023 Youth Scholar Presentation** – Four scholars who attended the 2023 Youth Rally gave a presentation to the Board about their experiences at the Rally and expressed their gratitude to the Co-op and Board for the opportunity.

### **REPORTS**

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GM REPORTS – Staff reviewed reports, dashboards, grant and budget tracking, and project updates.

Break: 9:20-35 Executive Session: 10:15-11:16 Regular Session: 11:16 Meeting Closed: 11:18

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Vince Dauciunas, President

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Brian Silverstein

Brian Silverstein, Secretary-Treasurer

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