



**Orcas Power & Light Cooperative**  
**Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 19, 2025**

Streaming through Zoom attendees were Board members Vince Dauciuinas, Mark Madsen, Tom Osterman, Jerry Whitfield, Chuks Onwuneme, Brian Silverstein and Wendy Hiester. Staff present were General Manager Foster Hildreth; Manager of Engineering and Operations Russell Guerry; Manager of Finance Travis Neal; Communications Manager Krista Bouchey; Manager of Member Services Joey Wyckoff; Communications Specialist Johanna Lange and Special Projects Office Coordinator Beth Stanford (serving as recording secretary). Also present were Legal Counsel Joel Paisner, and consultant Jay Kimball. Special guests, Ari Gold-Parker, Arne Olson and Paul Picciano from E3 to present.

Members in attendance: David Robison from San Juan Island, Barbara Pesola from Orcas Island, Chris Wolfe from Orcas Island, John Fleischer from Orcas Island, and Dean Frost

Meeting commenced at 8:33 AM

Member Comment Period: David Robison from San Juan Island commented about the importance of renewable energy projects in San Juan County and the need to decarbonize for the environment.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**MEMBER SERVICE POLICY and BYLAW UPDATES – Final Read** – Staff reviewed changes to the policy. Discussion ensued.

**MOTION** was made by Silverstein to approve revisions to Member Services Policy 1, seconded by Whitfield and passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### **Public Electric Vehicle Charging – Member Service Policy 4 – Service Conditions (First Read)**

Staff reviewed Member Service Policy 4 and proposed policy additions and revisions. Discussion ensued.

#### **E3 Update**

There was a presentation on the continued retail rate discussions with our consultants E3. Discussion ensued.

#### **State of the PNW Power Grid and OPALCO**

The General Manager gave an update on the continuing pressure the PNW is under with the growing risk of blackouts. Discussion ensued.



## REPORTS

Staff reviewed reports, dashboards, grant and budget tracking, ongoing cooperative-wide safety measures and training, and projects.

Regular Session ended: 10:45 am

Executive Session: 11:00 am

Meeting Closed: 12:31 am

*Vince Dauciunas*

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Vince Dauciunas, President

*Tom Osterman*

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Tom Osterman, Secretary-Treasurer

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