

*Celebrating 84 Years of Reliable Electric Service*



*Southeastern Electric Cooperative*

2023 Annual Meeting Insert

## **2023 Annual Meeting for Southeastern Electric Cooperative Is Officially Scheduled!**

### ***Registration Information for 2023***

**Date:** Tuesday, August 8th  
**Place:** Solar Field Pavilion next to the Co-op  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Drive Thru Registration

#### **Registration**

***Drive-Thru Only:*** Members will be able to register at our Solar Field Pavilion next to our Co-op Headquarters in Durant on the day of the meeting, Tuesday, August 8th. This is Drive-Thru Registration only at this location. Registration at the drive-thru pavilion will begin at 9:00 a.m. and go until 5:30 p.m. At this time, each member may receive their voting ballot (if applicable), their registration gift and will also be entered into the door prize drawings. On the day of the meeting, watch for colorful signage right off of Business 70 where you will be directed to the registration site.

#### **Business Meeting**

***Virtual Only:*** The Business Meeting will be virtual only this year. The Business Meeting is set to begin at 6:30 p.m. will be video recorded and live streamed via SEC's Facebook page. It will also be published on SEC's website in the following days after the meeting for viewing at your convenience. The prize drawings will also be live streamed on our Facebook page and published in the following days to SEC's website. Prize winners will be contacted and a winner list will be published on Facebook beginning Wednesday, August 9th.

# 2023 ANNUAL MEETING

The **2023 Annual Meeting** of **Southeastern Electric Cooperative** will be held virtually at **Southeastern Electric Cooperative, Tuesday, August 8th**. Drive Thru Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. at SEC’s Pavilion. Trustees will be elected for Districts 7 and 1 in accordance with Article IV, of the Cooperative’s By-Laws.

## Notice of Candidacy

Any member of a district desiring to be a candidate for election as a trustee from that district shall file with the Secretary of the Cooperative written notice, on a form provided by the Secretary, and in accordance with the SEC Bylaws Article IV, of their candidacy and intention to stand for election to the office of trustee from their district from the dates of July 10th thru July 14th, 2023 during normal office hours.

Only persons filing written notice of their candidacy and intention to stand for election shall be eligible for election at the annual meeting.\*\*\*

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tracy Rogers.....	Dist. 1
Dennis Bowen.....	Dist. 2
Steve Kelso.....	Dist. 3
David Kelly.....	Dist. 4
Casey Robinson.....	Dist. 5
Anthony Dillard.....	Dist. 6
Jeff Willingham.....	Dist. 7

## MANAGER

James Fox - *General Manager*

## STAFF

Dennis Cullum  
Angela Blakley

Jim Coleman  
Dustin Stepp

## PERSONNEL

Penny Bourne  
Leith Burkhalter  
Megan Clark  
David Dill  
Michael Green  
Kelby Johnson  
Carla Jones  
Sharla Justus  
Tom Liwai

Trevor Matlock  
Brett Miller  
Casey O’Steen  
Lacey Owen  
Earl Pratt  
Robert Prentice  
Jackson Rabon  
Marcus Rice  
Brady Richardson

Randal Riley  
Sherrie Sarver  
Mary Veenstra  
Weston Ward  
Kathleen Weller  
Jason Whitaker  
Brandon Wingfield  
Kevin Wingfield

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### for Southeastern Electric Cooperative

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## SOUTHEASTERN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. DISCONNECT POLICY

Members' payments for electric service are due and payable upon receipt of the bill. Information about the due date, delinquent date, late charge, and date service may be disconnected if payment is not received is included on all electric bills.

The due date listed on the bill is the date that the bill must be paid to avoid a late charge. The due date listed on a bill applies only to the current amount due. It does not apply to a past due balance. The past due balance is already late and is due immediately without further notice. The Cooperative sends one 48-hour cut-off notice prior to disconnection of services, which appears on every electric bill.

### **A. Disconnect with Prior Written Notice:**

The Cooperative may disconnect electric service for the following reasons:

1. Nonpayment of a delinquent account.
2. Misrepresentation of identity for the purpose of obtaining electric service.
3. Unauthorized interference, diversion or use of the Cooperative's service situated or delivered on or about the individual's premises.
4. Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of a deferred payment agreement made in accordance with these rules.
5. Refusal to grant a duly authorized representative of the Cooperative access to equipment upon the premises at reasonable times for the purpose of inspection, maintenance or replacement when the Cooperative has given the member reasonable notice of the need for such access and the time of visitation.
6. Violation of other rules of the Cooperative, which adversely affects the safety of the member or other individuals, or the integrity of the Cooperatives delivery system.

### **B. Disconnect without Prior Notice:** The Cooperative may terminate electric service without prior notice when:

1. A condition exists that is immediately dangerous or hazardous to life, physical safety, or property.
2. Upon order of a Court, or any other authorized public authority.
3. If such service is obtain fraudulently or without authorization of the Cooperative.
4. Payment for a disconnected service is made with a check returned for any reason, including insufficient funds.

### **C. Delinquent Accounts:** Certain protections apply only to residential electric services.

#### **1. Applies to all Accounts:**

- a. Delinquent accounts will only be disconnected between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Monday through Thursday.
- b. All delinquent accounts may be disconnected remotely.
- c. All applicable charges, including late fees, may be collected before any delinquent account will be reconnected. The Cooperative reserves the right to require an additional security deposit.

#### **2. Residential Accounts:**

- a. Delinquent residential accounts will not be disconnected if doing so would create a "life threatening situation" as set forth in the Cooperative's Life Threatening Situations Policy.
- b. Delinquent residential accounts will not be disconnected when the heat index is above 98 degrees or the wind-chill is 35 degrees or below.
- c. Delinquent residential accounts will not be disconnected on a day the banks are scheduled to be closed.

#### **D. Reconnection:**

1. When a Member is communicating with after-hours dispatch personnel for the purpose of being reconnected the Member may pay all applicable charges, including a late fee, by credit card, check or cash. Payment may be made at any US Payments pay site kiosk, or by Interactive Voice Response (IVR) telephone service at (888) 260-6597.
2. The Member may use the Confirmation Number from their payment source to give the afterhours dispatch personnel to make arrangements for service to be reconnected.
3. If a Member pays to reconnect with payment that is returned for any reason, including for insufficient funds, the Cooperative may terminate services immediately.

#### **E. Payment Arrangements:**

1. When a residential Member cannot pay a bill in full, the Cooperative may continue to service the Member if the Member and the Cooperative agree on a reasonable portion of the outstanding bill to be paid immediately, and the manner in which the balance is to be paid.
2. In deciding the reasonableness of a particular agreement, the Cooperative shall take into account the Member's ability to pay, the size of the unpaid balance, the Member's payment history, and the amount of time and reasons why the debt is outstanding.

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