

# Powerline Press

## NEWSLETTER



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# ANNUAL MEETING = \$30 BILL CREDIT

LREC is excited to host our **Annual Membership Meeting** on **Saturday, April 25**. This is your opportunity to participate in the democratic process of electing your board members who oversee LREC and LRTC. Save the date and mark your calendar for your Co-op Annual Meeting! The meeting will be at LREC Hulbert Headquarters located at **516 S Lake Region Road, Hulbert, OK 74441**.

Each member account registered at annual meeting will also receive a **\$30 electric credit** and have their name entered into a raffle for **cash prizes totaling \$3,500** after the Annual Meeting. The membership will vote on two open-board seats. The voting will be conducted in an in-person drive-through format. Please bring your bill for quicker registration.

We will also have a business meeting in the Event Center at our Hulbert Headquarters at 1:05 p.m., where our CEO will provide members with an update on the co-op's financials. No prizes will be presented during this business meeting; it will consist solely of the financial update.

LREC's success depends on guidance from its Board of Trustees, consisting of seven democratically elected individuals from the membership. The board governs the cooperative by setting strategic goals, rates, and cooperative policies.

If you have difficulty spending an extended amount of time in a vehicle, please take precautions accordingly. This will be our sixth year hosting our Annual Meeting in the drive-through format, and with our past experience, traffic will flow quickly.

## OFFICIAL NOTICE

### LREC Annual Meeting Agenda

#### Annual Meeting of the Membership

LREC Headquarters, April 25, 2026

**Call Meeting to Order at 8:00 a.m.**

8:00 a.m. .... Scott Manes, Board President

#### **Recess Business Session until 1:05 p.m.**

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. .... Drive Through Registration & Voting of Matters on Hand

Agenda Items for Drive Through Voting

a. Election of Trustees

Voting Results and Drawing will be Announced on LREC's Website Page and Facebook shortly after close of Registration

#### **Resume Business Meeting 1:05 p.m. (LREC Headquarters)**

Business Meeting for the Purpose of Giving Reports  
(**NO PRIZES** will be given at this Business Meeting)

Call Recessed Meeting to Order ..... Scott Manes, Board President

Invocation ..... Glen Clark, CEO

Welcome, CEO's Report and Financial Report ..... Glen Clark, CEO

Quorum and Notice ..... Tina Glory-Jordan, Cooperative Attorney

Reading of the Meeting Notice,  
Proof of Publication, 2025 Minutes ..... Randle Shankle, Secretary-Treasurer

Announcement of Trustee Election Results ..... Tina Glory-Jordan, Cooperative Attorney

Old Business

New Business

Adjourn Business Meeting


# **NEW ROUTE Drive-Through Annual Meeting**




You must be present to register, vote and receive the **\$30 electric credit**. Please refer to the map for easy navigation. Please be sure to bring your electric bill or know your account number to register and help keep traffic moving at this year's Annual Meeting. Prize drawing and election results will be published shortly after the meeting closes on our website and Facebook. Questions? Please call **918-772-2526**. We are happy to answer any questions about the LREC Annual Meeting. **821311**

## **2026 Board of Directors Election | Two Open Seats**




 **Lynn Lamons** is a Cherokee County farmer and rancher who has spent his entire life in the Lake Region Electric Cooperative service area. He graduated from Tahlequah High School and is a Hulbert resident. Lynn has been an active member of the Cherokee County 4-H Club for many years. Lynn has served on the LREC's Board of Trustees for the past 21 years. He has earned credentials as Cooperative Trustee, Board Leadership Certification, and Director Gold Credentials from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA). Lynn has played an active role in guiding the cooperative through changes in the electric utility industry. He has worked to ensure that the cooperative provides reliable and affordable electric service to its members. Currently, Lynn serves as Vice-President of the board.




 **Dianna Mayfield** is a lifelong resident of the Shady Grove community and has been a member of Lake Region Electric Cooperative for approximately 56 years. She is a graduate of Hulbert High School and holds a Bachelor of Education and a Bachelor of Business Administration from Northeastern State University. Dianna owned and operated Cherokee Nation Towers with her late husband for 23 years and has served on the LREC Board of Trustees for the past eight years. She holds the Credentialed Cooperative Director certification and the Board Leadership Certificate from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. Dianna is the mother of two children and grandmother to six grandchildren. She is committed to serving LREC members and helping guide the cooperative through informed leadership and a dedication to industry best practices.



 **Stanley Young** of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, has been a member of LREC since 1987. He holds a Bachelor of Science and Education and spent 42 years serving LREC before retiring as Director of Marketing. During his career, Stanley gained extensive knowledge of the cooperative and its operations while working closely with members and communities throughout the service area. His experience can provide insight into the needs of LREC members and the electric cooperative industry. Stanley and his wife, Judy, have two children, Kaycee and Terry, and four grandchildren: Silas, Stanton, Maggie, and Mazzie. He has also been active in his community, serving six years on the Tahlequah Chamber Board, fifteen years on the Wagoner Chamber Board. He also serves as Chairperson of the Personnel Committee at First United Methodist Church of Tahlequah. Stanley is committed to helping guide LREC by making decisions that help keep rates fair for all members.



 **Alan Vann** of Cherokee County has been a Lake Region Electric Cooperative member for eight years. He has two children and six grandchildren. Alan attended Norwood and Fort Gibson schools and completed two years of vo-tech training. Alan brings nearly four decades of experience working for Cherokee County, including the past five and a half years serving as Road Foreman and Deputy County Commissioner. His background includes operating heavy equipment, overseeing road and bridge construction, and understanding the costs and planning involved in infrastructure projects. He has also served on the Commissioners' Board in the absence of his commissioner, contributing to important county decisions related to infrastructure and public service. Alan is seeking a position on the Lake Region Board of Trustees to serve the community he loves, help ensure reliable and affordable energy, and be part of something bigger than himself while supporting fellow members.

# 2025 Annual Meeting Minutes

Chairman Manes called the Annual Meeting of the members of the Lake Region Electric Cooperative, Inc., to order on April 26, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. at Hulbert School Auditorium. The Chairman then announced the business session would suspend and resume immediately at 1:05 p.m. after the members registration and voting on matters on hand was closed. The registration and voting period was from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on this Annual Meeting date. Chairman Manes recessed the business session until 1:05 p.m.

The recessed business session was resumed at 1:05 p.m. and called to order by Chairman Manes. He called upon Assistant General Manager Glen Clark to give the invocation.

CEO Vahdatipour gave the Welcome and Introduction of Directors. He then asked Assistant General Manager Glen Clark to give the Financial Report. He then introduced Cooperative Attorney Tina Glory-Jordan who then presided over the meeting.

Attorney Glory-Jordan reported that at the close of registration, 1,797 members had registered and voted. Attorney Glory-Jordan then declared that a quorum was present, and the meeting proceeded.

Upon motion made and seconded, the reading of the Notice of the Meeting mailed to all members and the proof of mailing were waived and approved as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

During the process of the day, the election ballots were cast and counted. Members voting was conducted through a drive-through method using an electronic voting system provided and conducted by the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives. There were two positions open for a three-year term.

Attorney Glory-Jordan reported on the voting results and on the matters at hand:

- a. Attorney Glory-Jordan reported on the election results. Nominees Gary Cooper received 1,197, Randall Shankle received 1,425, James Walls received 1,129 and Stanley Young received 640 votes. According to the election results, incumbents Gary Cooper, Randall Shankle and James Walls were elected to the positions of Trustees of the Lake Region Electric Cooperative, Inc. for a period of three years.
- b. Members also voted to approve the 2024 Annual Meeting minutes as presented.

Old Business – There was no old business to come before the members.

New Business – There was no new business to come before the members.

With no other business to come before the meeting, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Annual Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.



## **Clip, complete, and bring to Annual Meeting if you are voting for an organization**

RESOLVES THAT \_\_\_\_\_, who is a member or officer of the organization, is designated the official representative by \_\_\_\_\_. I certify that the before mentioned resolution is true and correct.

The representative was agreed upon at a meeting held the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2026. At the mentioned meeting, a quorum was present and enacted that the person is an officer or member of the organization to vote in the electric cooperative board election.

President \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary \_\_\_\_\_



## **LRTC ASSISTS WITH FIBER RESTORATION**

LRTC's fiber crew answered the call for mutual aid in Mississippi to help restore damaged fiber infrastructure. Austin Fletcher, Tyler Rowland, Ethan Chuculate, and Cooper Whitlock traveled to assist Tallahatchie Valley Electric Power Association, working alongside crews to repair and rebuild fiber lines affected by Winter Storm Fern. Lake Region is proud of these employees for stepping up to support fellow cooperatives and their members. Their dedication reflects the cooperative spirit of helping neighbors in times of need.

# 2026 YOUTH TOUR WINNERS

## Education, Training *and* Information



LREC Youth Tour Contest Winners, left to right: JuaNita Keener, Youth Programs Coordinator, Cameron Atwell of Sequoyah High School, Larry Mattes, Director of Marketing and Member Relations, Adriana Ledezma of Porter Schools, Glen Clark, CEO and Levi Kirk of Hulbert High School.

Lake Region Electric Cooperative (LREC) is proud to announce the winners of its 2026 Youth Tour Contest. Cameron Atwell of Sequoyah High School, Adriana Ledezma of Porter Schools, and Levi Kirk of Hulbert High School have been selected to represent LREC on an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C., June 13–19, 2026.

Each year, LREC invites high school juniors within its service territory to participate in the Youth Tour contest by submitting an essay on the topic of Oklahoma’s rural electric cooperatives. Schools select their top two finalists, who then compete in LREC’s final contest. A panel of three judges evaluates the students based on their knowledge of the subject, personality, speaking ability, and presentation skills. All students who advance to the final question and answer round receive a \$50 cash prize.

LREC Youth Tour Coordinator Juanita Keener visited 11 schools and homeschool students within the cooperative’s

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service area to present information about the history of electric cooperatives and the Youth Tour program. She praised the students and educators who participated, saying, “We appreciate the hard work and dedication of both the students and teachers who took part in this year’s contest. We have some bright young kids in our service territory.”

During the trip, the students will visit Capitol Hill to meet with Oklahoma’s Congressional delegation and explore historic sites including the Smithsonian Museum, Arlington National Cemetery, the Holocaust Memorial Museum, the Pentagon, the White House, and Washington’s iconic monuments.

LREC extends its gratitude to all students, educators, and supporters who helped make this year’s Youth Tour program a success. For more information about LREC’s Annual Youth Tour Contest, contact the cooperative at 918-772-2526.

Lake Region Electric Cooperative is excited to see these outstanding students represent their communities while gaining valuable leadership experiences during their trip.

LREC proudly supports several youth programs throughout the year. The cornerstones of our communities are our schools and the children who attend them. Partnering with local educators to strengthen the community’s power is vital to our mission at LREC. Visit our website for more youth opportunities [www.lrecok.coop/youth-programs](http://www.lrecok.coop/youth-programs)

#### Your Board of Trustees

Scott Manes.....President  
 Lynn Lamons.....Vice-President  
 Randall Shankle.....Secretary-Treasurer  
 Jack Teague.....Asst. Secretary-Treasurer  
 James Walls ..... Trustee  
 Gary Cooper .....Trustee  
 Dianna Mayfield.....Trustee  
 Tina Glory-Jordan .....Attorney

#### Staff

Glen Clark .....CEO/General Manager  
 Leisa Walker.....Director of Finance & Admin  
 Jerry Latty.....Director of Operations  
 Jarrod Welch.....Director of Fiber & IT  
 Larry Mattes .....Director of Marketing

#### Office Hours

Monday-Friday  
 7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

#### Telephone

800-364-LREC or 918-772-2526

#### Website:

[www.lrecok.coop](http://www.lrecok.coop)  
[www.lakeregionfiber.com](http://www.lakeregionfiber.com)

#### Locations

Hulbert, Wagoner &  
 Tahlequah, OK.

#### Main Office Address

516 S Lake Region Road  
 (P.O. Box 127)  
 Hulbert, OK 74441

#### Hidden Account Number

Look for your account number hidden in this issue of the *Powerline Press*. If you find your number, Lake Region Electric will credit your next bill. To claim your credit, notify LREC’s Hulbert office by phone during the month of publication.

The amount increases by \$10 with each issue your prize goes unclaimed to a maximum of \$50.

**Cooperative bylaws** are available upon request at Lake Region Electric Cooperative’s office in Hulbert or at [lrecok.coop](http://lrecok.coop).