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Municipal Electric Power Association of Virginia
Minutes of the Board
February 25, 2021
Electronic Meeting

President Stover called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. President Stover acknowledged the Board meeting had been moved from the previously scheduled date of February 18, 2021 due to the significant winter weather event MEPAV members were dealing with.

A roll call was conducted by Secretary/Treasurer Sandra Harrington.

Members present:

Mike Stover, MEPAV President/Culpeper; Mark Bly, Franklin; A.K. Briele, Salem; Rob Glenn, VTES; Matt Hagy, VTES; Philip Haley, Danville; David Jenkins, Front Royal; Tim Logwood, Radford; Brian O'Dell, Harrisonburg

Additional attendees: Thomas Dick, Consultant; Michelle Gowdy, VML Executive Director; Sandra Harrington, MEPAV Secretary/Treasurer; and Alice Wolfe, BRPA.

There was a motion by Brian O'Dell, seconded by Philip Haley to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2020 MEPAV Board meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

I. Report of the President

President Stover wanted to check in with MEPAV members related to the continuing impacts of the pandemic to personnel and operational staffing. There was discussion regarding various aspects of challenges accessing the COVID vaccine, employee comfort level with the vaccine, and different policies in different jurisdictions.

II. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

Sandy Harrington provided a report of MEPAV's finances. All MEPAV members have paid their FY21 Assessments. The 2021 Associate Memberships are lower than the budgeted amount and lower than in prior years. Sandy will reach back out to those who have not renewed one more time before creating the 2021 MEPAV Directory. There is \$4,700 in conference credits from the May 2020 Annual Conference that may need to be refunded or credited to another event, depending on the determination of the Board regarding the May 2021 Annual Conference. As of January 31, 2021, MEPAV had \$60,651.99 in cash; \$111,000 in LGIP for a total of \$171,651.99 in assets.

President Stover suggested that the \$1,000 line item for the Fallen Lineworker Scholarship be sent now. Brian O'Dell made a motion, seconded by Tim Logwood. The motion was unanimously approved.

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III. Legislative Report

Tom Dick provided Legislative Update (*document 02.24.21*) attached, discussed updates legislative updates.

IV. Mutual Aid Discussion

President Stover referred to email sent on February 22, 2021 from Phil Jarvis related to Mutual Aid Guidelines and the ESCC COVID Resource Guide. There was discussion about MEPAV and mutual aid. Philip Haley discussed the process they eventually used when help arrived to assist with the crisis in Danville.

V. Annual Conference

President Stover led a discussion about the status of the MEPAV Annual Conference scheduled for May 26-28, 2021 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Virginia Beach. The current EO72 limits indoor gatherings to no more than 10. Sandy Harrington provided updated information and options from the HGI. There was discussion about the travel bans for all members due to the pandemic. Glenn Simpson made a motion, seconded by Tim Logwood, to cancel the in-person conference and sign with the HGI for 2023, the motion was unanimously approved.

Brian O'Dell made a motion, seconded by Matt Hagy, that the officers currently in place, remain in place until the May 2022 Annual Conference. The motion was unanimously approved.

Philip Haley made a motion, seconded by David Jenkins, that the May MEPAV Board meeting be moved from May 28 to May 20, at 10:00 a.m. The motion was unanimously approved.

Brian O'Dell made a motion, seconded by Matt Hagy, that the FY22 member assessments be the same as the FY21 assessments. The motion was unanimously approved. Sandy Harrington will use this as the basis for the MEPAV May Board meeting proposed budget.

Brian O'Dell will look into adding a golf option for the Fall E&O.

Mark Bly made a motion, seconded by Brian O'Dell to adjourn the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 12:31 p.m.