

January 19, 2023

Dear White River Electric Association Members:

Please accept this as notice from White River Electric Association, Inc., ("WREA") regarding the **WREA 2023 Annual Meeting and Election for the Board of Directors**. This year's WREA Board Election will be held on Thursday, July 20, 2023 and the Member Appreciation Event & Annual Meeting will take place on, Friday, July 21, 2023. WREA will also post the Annual Meeting report on WREA's website which will include a detailed review of WREA's financials as well as the President and General Manager reports. The Election of Directors for the WREA Board will be conducted by mail-in ballots. In 2023, the WREA membership will elect **two Directors from the Town of Meeker.** 

WREA has conducted its Annual Meeting in video format the last few years, but it is time to bring back the in-person Annual Meeting. WREA will conduct a short in-person Annual Meeting with a limited agenda beginning at 5:00 pm. The Member Appreciation Event will follow the Annual Meeting. The 2023 Member Appreciation Event will be very similar to last summers with a Navajo taco dinner served by the Meeker Lion's Club, live music, the Meeker Farmer's Market, and member registration gifts! We are looking forward to another fun night to celebrate our membership and our community.

Director petitions for the 2023 Election will be available at WREA (233 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Meeker, CO) and at www.wrea.org beginning **Thursday, April 13, 2023** and shall be returned to WREA no later than **5:00 pm on Thursday, May 18, 2023**, with a minimum of fifteen verified member signatures. The election of directors will be **Thursday, July 20, 2023**, with results announced at the Annual Meeting and posted on WREA's website, and at headquarters. Please verify your membership listing for voting purposes. The following are the WREA Board of Director Qualifications and petition process as stated in the WREA Bylaws:

## Article II

SECTION 8. Nomination of Directors.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to call for nominations of Directors by a notice posted at the principal office of the Cooperative and by a notice published in a newspaper of general circulation within the territory served by the Cooperative. A nomination for Director shall be made by written petition signed by at least fifteen members of the Cooperative and filed with the Board of Directors not later than sixty (60) days prior to the date of election. Any petition so filed shall designate the name of the nominee and the term and the district for which nominated.

## Article III

SECTION 3. Qualifications and Tenure.

No member shall be eligible to become or remain a Director of the Cooperative who is an employee of the Cooperative, who is a close relative of a sitting Director, who is not a member and a bona fide resident in the particular district in which they are to represent, who does not subscribe to electric energy service, or who is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise or a business selling electric energy to the Cooperative, and no person shall take or hold office as a Director who is the incumbent of an elected public office in connection with which a salary is paid. When a membership is held jointly, either one, but not both, may be elected a Director, provided, however, that neither one shall be eligible to become or remain a Director of the Cooperative unless both shall meet the qualifications herein above set forth. Nothing in this section contained shall, or shall be construed to, affect in any manner whatsoever the validity of any action taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

WREA will send out additional information regarding the Annual Meeting, Elections, and the Member Appreciation Event this spring. Please do not hesitate to contact WREA, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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