

## Notice

### Annual meeting to be held March 22 at Santee Electric Headquarters in Kingstree, SC.

**SANTEE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE** will hold its 2022 Annual Meeting of Members on March 22, 2022, at SEC Headquarters, 424 Sumter Hwy, Kingstree, SC 29556.

#### Nominating Committee to meet

In accordance with Article IV, Section 3 of the co-op's bylaws, excerpted below, the member-owners listed at the right have been duly appointed to the Nominating Committee. The committee will meet December 7, 2021, at SEC's headquarters for the purpose of nominating trustees for Districts 2, 4 and 7.

#### Nominations by petition

Article IV, Section 3 also gives member-owners the right to nominate board candidates by petition. At least one percent of the co-op's membership, acting together, can nominate a fellow member. Petitions must be filed with the cooperative at least 60 days prior to the annual meeting.

#### Applicable bylaws

##### Article III: Meeting of Members

**SECTION 1: ANNUAL MEETING.** The annual meeting of members shall be held on such day in each year, beginning with the year 1952, and at such place within a county served by the Cooperative as shall be fixed and determined by the Board of Trustees, and as shall be designated in the notice of the meeting for the purpose of electing trustees, passing upon reports for the previous fiscal year and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. Failure to hold the annual meeting at the designated time shall not work a forfeiture and dissolution of the Cooperative.

**SECTION 3: NOTICE OF MEMBERS MEETINGS.** Written or printed notice stating the place, day and hour of the meeting, and (in case of a special meeting or an annual meeting at which special business is to be transacted) the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called shall be delivered to each member not less than ten (10) days, or thirty (30) days if the meeting includes an election, nor more than forty-five (45) days before the date of the meeting, either personally or by mail, by or at the direction of the Secretary, or upon default in duty by the Secretary by the persons calling the meeting. No matter, the carrying of which, as provided by law or these bylaws, requires the affirmative votes of at least a clear majority of all the Cooperative's members shall be acted upon at any meeting of the members unless notice of such matter shall have been contained in the notice of the meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail, addressed to the member at his address as it appears on the records of the Cooperative, with postage thereon prepaid. The failure of any member to receive notice of an annual or special meeting of the members shall not invalidate any action which may be taken by the members at such meeting.

#### Article IV: Trustees

**SECTION 3. NOMINATIONS.** It shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees to appoint, not less than one-hundred-and-seventy (170) days or more than one-hundred-and-ninety (190) days before the date of a meeting of the members at which Trustees are to be elected, a committee on nominations consisting of not less than five (5) nor more than eleven (11) members who shall be selected from different sections of the project area so as to ensure equitable representation. No member of the Board of Trustees may serve on such committee. Incumbent Trustees seeking reelection shall not directly or indirectly influence the nomination or credentials process. Said Trustees shall recuse themselves from participation in appointing members to such committee(s), and Cooperative members from their Trustee Districts shall be selected without their input or participation. Trustees may not appoint, direct or cause a family member to become a member of such committee(s). For purposes of this Section, "family member" includes a spouse, parent, brother, sister, child, mother-in-law, father-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, grandparent, grandchild and a member of the individual's immediate family. The committee on nominations shall prepare and post at the principal office of the Cooperative at least one hundred (100) days before the meeting a list of nominations for Trustees, but 1% or more of the members of the Cooperative, acting together, may make additional nominations in writing over their signatures, listing their nominee(s) in like manner and filing the same with the Cooperative, not less than eighty (80) days prior to the meeting and the Secretary shall post such nominations at the same place where the list of nominations made by the committee is posted. The Board of Trustees shall, by policy, adopt a process allowing petition signatures to be collected electronically according to procedures or standards approved by the Board. The Secretary shall mail with the notice of the meeting a list of the number of Trustees, shown by District, to be elected and the names and addresses of the candidates nominated for each District, specifying separately the nominations made by petition, if any. The names are to be arranged by Districts and in alphabetical order, except that incumbents shall be placed first on the list so arranged. At the meeting of members, the Secretary of the Cooperative shall place in nomination the names of the official candidates for each District. Election of Trustees shall be by ballots. The ballots shall list the candidates selected by the Nominating Committee and by petition. The names shall be arranged by Districts and in alphabetical order, except that the incumbents shall be placed first in order on such ballot. Each member of the Cooperative present at the meeting shall be entitled to vote for one (1) candidate for each District for which a Trustee is to be elected at that particular meeting. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes for each District at this meeting shall be considered elected as Trustee. In the event that the number of candidates seeking election does not exceed the number of Trustees required in a particular District, balloting may be dispensed with in respect to that District and, if there are no objections, the nominee may be elected by acclamation.

#### Nominating Committee appointments for 2022 Annual Meeting

Kasey Feagin  
4803 Pine Oak Road  
Effingham, SC 29541

Frankie M. Davis  
296 Walnut Avenue  
Georgetown, SC 29440

Clifford Gamble  
1389 Edwin Road  
Salters, SC 29590

Penny S. Gamble  
2212 Santee Road  
Andrews, SC 29510

Wanda J. Johnson  
1438 Lake Shore Drive  
Manning, SC 29102

Gwenevere Moody  
2256 White Oak Road  
Kingstree, SC 29556

Olin Dukes  
365 McCollough Loop  
Kingstree, SC 29556

Angela Bartell  
306 Scotland Road  
Lake City, SC 29560

James Gilliard  
P.O. Box 732  
Hemingway, SC 29554