

Meet the Directors

Your board of directors are just like you – business owners, farmers, working people who are concerned about our present and future energy needs and the rising cost of electric power. They pay the same rates as you do, and want to keep your power costs down while still maintaining the financial integrity of the cooperative. What affects you, the

member, affects them also. They not only meet monthly to handle normal cooperative business, but all the board members serve on other committees related to the cooperative as well. They also attend meetings and training on other cooperative issues and affairs. These people are dedicated to the membership and work hard to look

out for the member's best interests concerning safe, reliable and affordable electricity. They talk to you in the grocery store and on the street, listening to your concerns and ideas. We are featuring two board members each month and asking them a question related to their service on the cooperative board of directors.

Board of Directors - Question/Answer



Ross Mueller

Ross Mueller and his wife, Dorothy, live on their farm located north of Maestown. He owns and operates Osterhage-Mueller, Inc. and farms 1,250 acres in Monroe county.

Q: What do you feel has been the board's more noted accomplishments since you first joined the board?

A: I feel one of the most important things that has been accomplished is our Safety Program. The better equipment we have today is safer and more reliable to help provide service to our member-owners.

With modern technology, internet, website, etc., we are able to keep the members better informed as to what is going on with the cooperative. Examples of these are our Facebook page, the AMR meter reading system and the smarhub application for bill paying and electric usage monitoring.



Manlee Knobloch

Manlee Knobloch and his wife JoAnn are residents of rural Fults. He is a retired ironworker and enjoys raising and showing his Hereford cattle.

Q: What's the biggest thing you've learned while serving your cooperative?

A: When making plans and decisions, directors have to consider all the rules and regulations that apply and consider the ideas and opinions of eight other board members before coming to a final conclusion. We form our opinions on the best information available at the time. Decisions we make have a direct impact on our members and our employees. Being a director is not something I take lightly, and I carefully consider all options before coming to a final decision.