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Please join us for the 84th Annual Meeting of Members!



David A. Johnston
Executive Vice President
& General Manager

It is with great pleasure that I extend my heartfelt invitation to you to join us for your cooperative's 84th Annual Meeting. This gathering stands as a testament to the collaborative spirit and shared vision that defines our cooperative community.

Over the years, your unwavering support and dedication has pushed us forward, enabling Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative to achieve

significant milestones and overcome various challenges.

The Annual Meeting serves as a pivotal moment for us to come together, celebrate our successes, and plan for the future. It is an opportunity for you to actively participate in shaping the direction of your cooperative and influence the decisions that impact all member-owners.

During the meeting we will provide updates on our financial performance, operational performance, as well as provide industry updates, including challenges and opportunities. We will also hold this year's election of directors.

Your presence at the Annual Meeting is not only welcomed but essential. Member insights, perspectives, and feedback are invaluable as we strive to uphold the principles of cooperation and serve the best interests of our membership.

Please mark your calendars for August 8th, 2024, at 6 p.m., and join us at Shawnee Community College for the 84th Annual Meeting. Registration will begin at 4 p.m.

We eagerly anticipate your attendance and look forward to the opportunity to connect with you in person.

See you soon!
David

SIEC Annual Meeting of Members Program

Thursday, August 8, 2024

Member Registration 4 to 6 p.m. in the Atrium. Bring the registration card insert mailed with the electric bill statement you receive in July to register for door prizes. Each member registering will receive one \$15 electric bill credit per membership. In addition, drawings for attendance prizes will immediately follow at the conclusion of the meeting. Canned food and school supply donations will be accepted again in exchange for free LED light bulbs.

Kids' Registration Kids 10 and under should register for the kids' prize giveaways in the Educational Center. Drawing will be at 5:50 p.m.

Entertainment 4:30-5:45 p.m. Entertainment by Edwin Linson Music

Meeting Begins 6 p.m.

- Invocation
- National Anthem by Edwin Linson

Business Meetings Begins 6:10 p.m.

- Call to Order – 2024 Annual Meeting of Members
- Welcome
- Reading of the 2023 Minutes
- Official Meeting Notice
- President & General Manager Reports
- Nominating Committee Report
- Balloting of Directors
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
- Adjournment
- Recognitions
- Winner of Food Pantry Donations
- Door Prizes

Minutes of the 83rd Annual Meeting

The 83rd annual meeting of the members of Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative was held at Shawnee Community College, Ullin, Ill., on Aug. 10, 2023, pursuant to Section 1, Article II of the ByLaws and notice printed in the July 2023 edition of JAMUP mailed to all members of Southern Illinois Cooperative dated the 26th day of June 2023.

SIEC Director David Martin offered the invocation. The National Anthem was performed by Julia Watkins.

Board President William E. Littrell called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. with a quorum present.

Executive Vice President/General Manager David Johnston extended a welcome to all members who came to participate in the annual meeting proceedings. Mr. Johnston introduced the Board of Directors: William E. Littrell, Board President, Union County; Scott Ury, Vice President, Union County; Gerald P. Thurston, Secretary-Treasurer, Pulaski County; Lamar Houston, Jr., Alexander County; Scott Miller, Alexander County; Toni Snell, Johnson County; David Martin, Massac County; Steve Heisner, Pulaski County; Randall Rushing, Massac County; and Steve Heisner, Pulaski County (although not present). Also introduced was the Cooperative's Attorney, Ronald E. Osman of Marion.

Gerald P. Thurston read the Proof of Mailing Notice and Official Meeting Notice. Thurston moved to accept and approve the minutes as mailed in the Official Meeting Notice and to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Motion was seconded by Jesse Goines. Motion carried.

President Littrell gave the President's report.

President Littrell then introduced David Johnston who provided the General Manager's report.

Johnston introduced Glenn Heisner, Chairman of the Nominating

Committee, to read the Nominating Committee report. President Littrell asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Nominating Committee. It was moved by Jesse Goines and seconded by Mike McMahan. Motion carried.

President Littrell announced the Nominating Committee chosen for 2023-2024. They are:

Alexander County

- Delegate - Larry Houston, Tamms
- Alternate - Tim Pierce, Thebes

Johnson County

- Delegate - Nancy Breeden, Buncombe
- Alternate - Linda M. Wood, Vienna

Massac County

- Delegate - Randy Wilke, Karnak
- Alternate - Ashley Thompson, Metropolis

Pulaski County

- Delegate - Danny J. Thurston, Pulaski
- Alternate - Craig Bradley, Karnak

Union County

- Delegate - Bruce Mosby, Jonesboro
- Alternate - Glenn Russell Heisner, Anna

President Littrell introduced Attorney Ronald E. Osman to conduct the election of directors.

Attorney Osman reported that at the meeting on May 22, 2023, the Nominating Committee nominated three (3) candidates for election to the office of director, each for a term of three years:

Alexander County - Scott Miller
Johnson County - Toni Snell
Massac County - Kim L. Bakehouse

Attorney Osman proceeded with the election of directors.

Attorney Osman reported that Scott Miller was nominated by the Nominating Committee for election to a three-year term in Alexander County. No nominations by petition had been filed. It was moved by Glenn Heisner and seconded by Bob Thurston to close nominations and have the secretary cast a unanimous ballot by acclamation and elect Scott Miller as Director from Alexander County. Motion carried.

Attorney Osman reported that Toni Snell had been nominated by the Nominating Committee for election to a three-year term in Johnson County. No nominations by petition had been filed. It was moved by Jesse Goines and seconded by Enloe Clemons, Sr. to close nominations and have the secretary cast a unanimous ballot by acclamation and elect Toni Snell as Director from Johnson County. Motion carried.

Attorney Osman reported that Kim L. Bakehouse had been nominated by the Nominating Committee for election to a three-year term in Massac County. No nominations by petition had been filed. It was moved by Loren Crockett and seconded by Beverly Warfield to close nominations and have the secretary cast a unanimous ballot by acclamation and elect Kim L. Bakehouse as Director from Massac County. Motion carried.

President Littrell asked if there was any unfinished business to be brought before the meeting. There was none.

President Littrell asked if there was any new business. There being none, he asked for a motion to adjourn the business portion of the meeting. It was moved by Randy McClellan and seconded by Joe McMahan to adjourn the business portion of the meeting. Motion carried. President Littrell declared the business portion of the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

The directors adjourned to reorganize. **Andrew Robinson**

Board of Director Candidate Profiles

William Littrell

Union County



William E. (Bill) Littrell of Jonesboro is currently a minister of Pulaski Christian Church as well as a member of SIEC for over 45 years. Bill graduated from Shawnee High School, received a Bachelor of Science degree in agriculture from the University of Illinois and has done post graduate studies at Kentucky Christian University.

He has lived in Union County over 65 years where he served the community as a board member for the Dongola Khoury League, Dongola School board, Share and Care Inc., Illinois FFA foundation volunteer, member of the Jonesboro Grade school and Anna Jonesboro High School Athletic boosters, member of the Union County Soil and Water Conservation District board, member of Kornthal Memorial board, and currently chairman of the board at Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative and Southern Illinois Power Cooperative.

Bill enjoys spending time with his family especially his grandchildren, his farm, and his church.

Randy Rushing

Massac County



Randall "Randy" Rushing lives in Massac County and has served on the board since 2016. Randy and his wife, Kathy, have been SIEC members since 1987. They have two grown children, Zachary and Amanda, and seven grandchildren.

Randy graduated from Metropolis Community High School. He received two Bachelor of Science degrees in accounting and finance from Southern Illinois University and a master's in business administration from Murray State University.

Randy is a self-employed as a CPA and active in the community. He is a current board member of The Massac-Metropolis Port District. He also serves as a director of the Southern Illinois Power Cooperative.

Jerry P. Thurston

Pulaski County



Jerry P. Thurston, of Pulaski, is a lifelong resident of Pulaski County, and has been an SIEC member for 40 years. He attended Meridian High School and Shawnee Community College. Jerry is a fourth-generation farmer, farming in Pulaski and Alexander Counties for the past 40 years. He has been active in the community as a former Pulaski County Commissioner as well as serving as the Pulaski Fire Chief for more than 25 years. Jerry and his wife, Lisa, have three children, Nathan, Andrew, and Rachel, and two granddaughters, Violet and Ivy. Jerry's hobbies include gardening, restoring and showing Case tractors, collecting farm-related antiques, and spending time with his family. He has served on the SIEC Board since 2020 and is currently the Board's Secretary.

Tadge Wilson

Pulaski County



Tadge Wilson of Grand Chain has been nominated by the Nominating Committee for election to fill the remaining one-year term of a three-year term in Pulaski County.

Tadge is a graduate of Century High School, attended Shawnee Community College and graduated from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. While attending college, he worked for the Pulaski County Ambulance Service as an EMT. Tadge has been employed by Massac Memorial Baptist Hospital in Radiology, Nuclear Medicine, CT and at Western Baptist Hospital in the Cardiac Catheterization Lab. He retired from Medtronic after a 27-year career as a Medical Device Consultant in Western Kentucky.

He is a Sunday School Teacher, Trustee and Deacon at Caledonia Community Church. Tadge also serves on the Board of Directors at the First State Bank of Olmstead.

Tadge and his wife, Tammy, enjoy traveling, camping and serving in their church. They are life-long residents of Southern Illinois and have been SIEC members for 37 years.

Cooperative employees



Casey Adamitis
Office Services
Representative



Angela Bailey
Payroll
Administrator



Jon Beisner
Journeyman
Lineman



Kelly Bowen
Warehouseman



Crystal Brown
Engineering
& Operations
Specialist



Ray Crane
Building & Grounds
Maintenance
Coordinator



Brian Dirden
Warehouseman



Erin Gaddis
Cashier/
Receptionist



Brent Goforth
Director of Member
Services



Dale Guetersloh
Utility
Serviceman



Leslie Harvel
Office Services
Coordinator



Nathan Hermetz
Assistant Director of
Engineering/Project
Manager



Daniel Hileman
Crew Foreman



Blayne Holshouser
Right of Way
Foreman



Connor Hughart
Journeyman
Lineman



Alaina Johnson
Office Services
Representative



David Johnston
Executive
Vice President &
General Manager



Joshua Kelley
Journeyman
Lineman



Michael Logeman
Director of
Engineering



Robert Mayo
Director of
Operations &
Maintenance



Kyle McDaniel
Forestry Journeyman



Lyle McDowell
Journeyman
Lineman



Amy McGinness
Staff Accountant



Nathan Menees
Utility Serviceman



Robert Nelson
Crew Foreman



Sheila Orange
Office Services
Representative



Jeffery Palmer
Oil Equipment
Lineman



Gabe Pecord
Forestry
Journeyman



Allen Plott
Crew Foreman



Cody Poole
Mechanic
First Class



Dexter Reynolds
Forestry Foreman



Jeff Roach
Apprentice Lineman



Aaron Stover
Crew Foreman



Brent Taylor
Journeyman
Lineman



Stephanie Theis
Executive Assistant



David Thompson
Journeyman
Lineman



Stanley Treat
Utility Serviceman



Tobie Treece
Network
Administrator



Lane Ury
Assistant Engineer



Julie Wilke
Director of
Administration
& Finance



Zach Zeigler
Journeyman
Lineman



ways to prepare your home for *Summer Vacation*

Once you have packed your bags, **get your house ready for vacation too.**

1. Set or program your thermostat to 85 degrees.
2. Unplug small appliances and electronics.
3. Turn your natural gas water heater to low.
4. Turn off your electric hot water heater.
5. Use light timers or smart lighting.
6. Ensure your sump pump is operational.
7. Clean out your refrigerator.
8. Pause your mail.
9. Make sure doors and windows are locked.
10. Let a neighbor know your plans.



Member prize

In this issue of the JAMUP, we printed the names of three SIEC members who are eligible to receive a \$10 credit toward their utility bill. If you find your name printed in this center section and it's not part of the story, call Brent with your account number at 800-762-1400 to claim your prize.

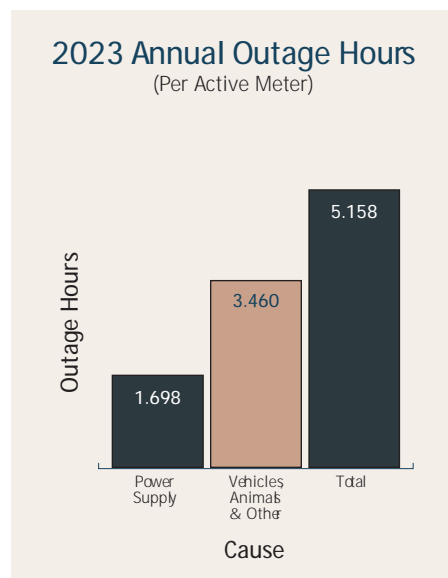
Balance Sheet Analysis

For the YTD as of December 31

	2023	2022	2021
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS			
Total Utility Plant	\$ 96,661,163	\$ 94,266,372	\$ 91,810,571
Accumulated Depreciation	(29,940,624)	(28,397,077)	(26,957,726)
Net Utility Plant	66,720,539	65,869,295	64,852,845
Investment in Associated Organizations	19,367,102	18,650,651	17,941,870
Cash	865,967	433,762	453,361
Temporary Investments	151,000	350,000	900,000
Notes Receivable	-	-	17,665
Accounts Receivable	2,539,049	2,755,029	2,205,708
Materials and Supplies	424,232	560,984	471,888
Prepaid Expenses	145,980	88,067	115,311
Other Current & Accrued Assets	8,272	8,092	8,036
Deferred Debits	8,448	8,448	9,623
Total Assets	\$ 90,230,589	\$ 88,724,328	\$ 86,976,307
LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS			
Memberships	\$ 159,125	\$ 157,485	\$ 155,505
Member's Patronage Capital	43,435,377	43,235,714	43,329,254
Other Equities	4,149,920	4,277,092	3,432,880
Total Member's Equity	47,744,422	47,670,291	46,917,639
Long-Term Debt	32,706,665	31,906,261	31,626,570
Accum. Prov. For Post Retirement Benefits	3,272,437	3,171,752	3,937,786
Accounts Payable	1,784,326	1,942,057	1,258,648
Consumer Deposits	599,205	628,660	627,470
Other Current & Accrued Liabilities	3,099,904	2,875,852	2,608,194
Deferred Credits	1,023,630	529,455	-
Total Member's Equity & Liabilities	\$ 90,230,589	\$ 88,724,328	\$ 86,976,307

Operating Statistics

	2023	2022	2021
Total kWh Purchased	181,635,347	197,750,573	191,741,292
Total kWh Sold	172,492,615	187,621,610	182,125,972
Total kWh Used by Cooperative	319,181	368,782	337,265
New Services Added	108	108	107
Services Retired	127	124	158
Net Changes in Total Services	(19)	(16)	(51)
Total Services in Place	13,223	13,242	13,258
Connected Meters	11,234	11,219	11,207
Idle Services	2,004	2,033	2,063
Security Lights in Place	5,257	5,259	5,252
Miles of Line	2,096	2,095	2,096

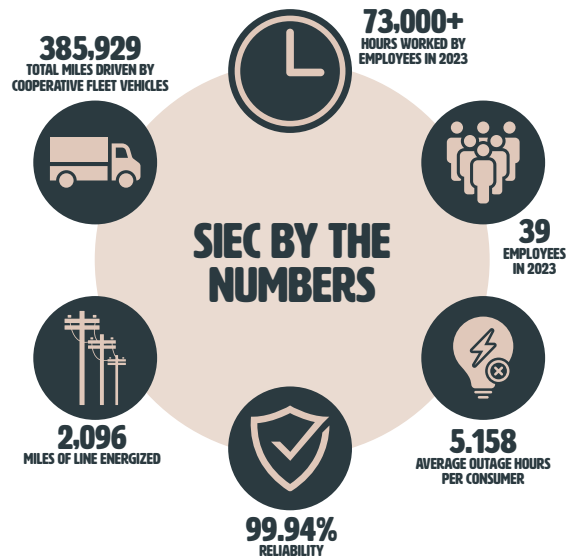
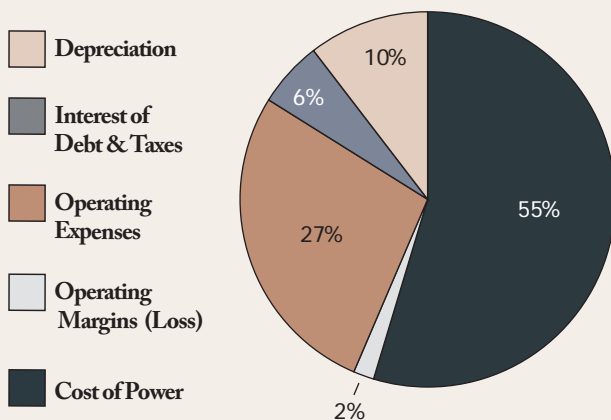


Statement of Operations

As of December 31

	2023	2022	2021
REVENUES			
Sales of Electric Revenues to Members	\$ 27,732,383	\$ 27,690,560	\$ 26,951,524
Other Electric Revenues	241,101	232,521	214,474
Total Revenues	27,973,484	27,923,081	27,165,998
EXPENSES			
Cost of Purchased Power	15,292,664	15,787,987	14,443,575
Operations Expense	500,134	438,461	422,520
Maintenance Expense	4,142,571	3,899,273	3,726,937
Consumer Accounts Expense	908,512	929,056	867,351
Consumer Service & Information Expense	245,572	224,817	206,500
Administrative and General Expense	1,883,142	1,892,869	1,764,959
Depreciation Expense	2,914,470	2,867,296	2,804,904
Interest Expense	1,432,455	1,354,653	1,374,682
Tax Expense	158,446	156,542	152,743
Total Expenses	27,477,966	27,550,954	25,764,171
Operating Margins	495,518	372,127	1,401,827
Non-Operating Margins - Other	17,243	-	1,046,691
Interest on Investments	91,370	49,280	34,746
Generation & Transmissions Capital Credits	627,520	640,570	629,646
Other Capital Credits & Patronage Dividends	169,202	154,498	167,890
Total Margins	\$ 1,400,853	\$ 1,216,475	\$ 3,280,800
Member's Patronage Capital Beginning of Year	\$ 43,235,714	\$ 43,329,254	\$ 40,969,567
Capital Credits to be Allocated for this Year	1,400,853	1,216,475	3,280,800
Retirement of Capital Credits	(1,201,190)	(1,310,015)	(921,113)
Member's Patronage Capital End of Year	\$ 43,435,377	\$ 43,235,714	\$ 43,329,254

Where Your 2023 Dollars Went





Lite-4-Bite

Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative is guided by the seven cooperative principles — one of which is “Concern for Community.” This is why we are happy to continue the Lite-4-Bite program, which aims to give back to the communities we serve. Bring in at least three canned or nonperishable food items, or school supplies, and receive up to three high-efficiency

LED light bulbs for your donation! This program has helped provide thousands of pounds of food to local shelters in our service territory, and with your help, it will continue to be a steadfast effort in supporting those in need. We thank you in advance for your donations and look forward to seeing you at the upcoming annual meeting!

Misty D. Scott



Happy
INDEPENDENCE DAY
★ FOURTH OF JULY ★
USA

Our office will be closed Thursday, July 4th.



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