

# Committees Appointed To Nominate Director Candidates

## PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, SECTION 3, OF THE BYLAWS OF

Navarro County Electric Cooperative, the board of directors, at their December 21, 2017, meeting, appointed committees to nominate director candidates for districts II and VI. The directors whose terms are expiring are Ron Buckley, District II, and George Smith, District VI.

### DISTRICT II NOMINATING COMMITTEE

#### Toni Miles

7887 NE CR 260  
Chatfield 75144

#### Alan Hester

7310 NE CR 0260  
Chatfield 75105

#### Bazel Strange

2230 FM 636  
Kerens 75144

District II includes all members living in an area bounded on the west by a line beginning at the Highway 31 Chambers Creek crossing east of Corsicana. Then west following 31 to Interstate Highway 45. Then north following Interstate Highway 45 to Chambers Creek north of Corsicana. Then northwest following Chambers Creek to the Navarro-Ellis County line. Then east following Navarro-Ellis County line to the Trinity River. Then south following the Trinity River to its junction with Richland Creek. Then northwest along Richland Creek to its junction with Chambers Creek. Then northwest along Chambers Creek to Highway 31 crossing east of Corsicana.

### DISTRICT VI NOMINATING COMMITTEE

#### Clark Tune (Chair)

1335 Moseley Rd.  
Ennis 75119

#### Johnny Moores

1303 Moseley Rd.  
Ennis 75119

#### Kenneth Patterson

1015 Moseley Rd.  
Ennis 75119

District VI includes all members living in an area bounded by a line beginning at Interstate Highway 45 north of Rice at the Navarro-Ellis County line. Then following Interstate Highway 45 to FM 983 at Ferris. Then southwest following FM 983

to FM 813. Then following FM 813 to Highway 287 bypass at Waxahachie. Then west following Highway 287 bypass to Interstate Highway 35E. Then south following Interstate 35E to Chambers Creek crossing north of Italy. Then southeast following Chambers Creek to the Navarro-Ellis County line at the Fort Worth and Denver (Burlington) Railroad. Then east following the Navarro-Ellis County line to Interstate 45.

### ARTICLE IV BYLAWS

#### SECTION 3. ELECTION AND TENURE OF OFFICE

**(a) Nominating Committee.** Not less than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the annual membership meeting, the Board of Directors shall appoint a Nominating Committee consisting of three (3) members of the district where the term of the Director is expiring. Such nominating committee shall nominate one or more members from the district where the term of the Director is expiring as a Director for that district for the ensuing year. The nominating committee shall meet at a place convenient to the committee to select nominees, such meeting to be held not less than ninety (90) days prior to the annual meeting of the members, and report to the Cooperative the names of its nominees within three (3) days thereafter.

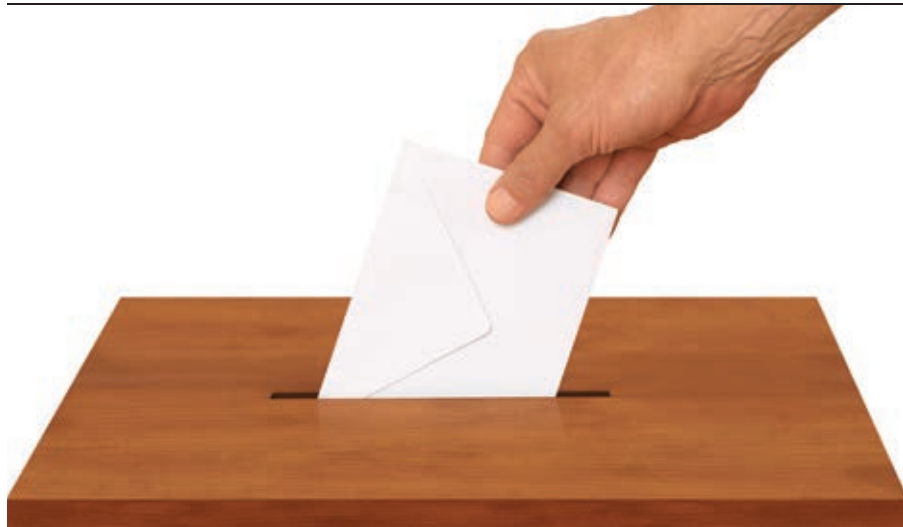
**(b) Nominations by Petition.** In addition to Nominating Committee nominations, Members may nominate, through petition, individuals from the district where the term of the Director is expiring, as a Director for that district to run for election for a Director position. Nominating Members make nominations by petition by returning to the Cooperative no later than March 15 (or the next business day, if March 15 falls on a weekend or holiday for which the Cooperative's business office is closed) a completed application package obtained from the Cooperative for each petition nomination:

1. listing, on each page of the petition, the name of the petition nominee;
2. indicating, on each page of the petition, the Director position (District) for which the petition nominee will run; and
3. containing the printed names, addresses, and telephone numbers, and original dated signatures signed within sixty days of the first signature, of at least 50 members from the District for which the nominee is nominated; provided that any candidate(s) so nominated must meet the qualifications prescribed in Section 4 hereof.

**(c) No Nomination From the Floor and Write-In Candidates.** Members may not make nominations from the floor nor nominate or vote for write-in candidates.

**(d) Notice of Director Nominations.** At least ten (10) days before a Member Meeting at which Members are scheduled to elect Directors, the Cooperative shall notify Members of the:

1. director positions scheduled for election by Members;



2. names and corresponding Director positions of all Nominating Committee Nominations; and

3. names and corresponding Director positions of all Member petition nominations, if any.

**(e) Approval of Director.** Each member present at the annual membership meeting may vote for one candidate from each District where the term of a Director is expiring. The candidate from each district who receives the highest number of votes shall be declared the Director for that District.

**(f) Notice of Bylaws.** At least sixty (60) days before a member's meeting where Directors will be elected, the Cooperative must provide Members with this Bylaw section.

**Section 4. Qualifications.** No person shall be eligible to become or remain a director of the Cooperative who:

**(a) Is not a member, or has a controlling interest in another person or entity that has one or more accounts with the Cooperative,** that is not in good standing, and maintains a bona fide principal place of residence receiving electric service from the Cooperative in the area served or to be served by the Cooperative for a period of twelve months prior to nomination (and continuously thereafter); or

**(b) Is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise** or a business selling electric energy, or supplies to the Cooperative, or a business primarily engaged in selling electrical or plumbing appliances, fixtures or supplies to the members of the Cooperative; or

**(c) Is the incumbent of, or candidate for, an elective public office in connection with which a salary is paid.** School trustees shall not be considered as salaried, elective public officers; or

**(d) Is a current employee or has been, within five (5) years, an employee** of the Cooperative or who has ever been an employee of the Cooperative and had such employment terminated by the Cooperative, or is a spouse, brother, sister, mother, father, grandmother, or grandfather of a current employee of the Cooperative or a person who has been, within five (5) years, an employee of the Cooperative or a person who has ever been an employee of the Cooperative and had such employment terminated by the Cooperative; or

**(e) Has ever been convicted of a felony; or**

**(f) While serving on the Board, is not present at 3 consecutive meetings (other than due to bona fide illness).**

Upon establishment of the fact that a director is holding office in violation of any of the foregoing provisions, the Board of Directors shall remove such director from office.

Nothing contained in this section shall affect in any manner whatsoever the validity of any action taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

## Navarro County Electric Cooperative

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*Operating in Ellis, Freestone, Hill,  
Limestone and Navarro counties*

### GENERAL MANAGER/CEO

Billy P. Jones

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ron L. Buckley, President, *District 2*  
Kent Sheffield, Vice President, *District 1*  
George Smith, Secretary-Treasurer, *District 6*  
Van Fowler, *District 7*  
Alfred L. Martin, *District 5*  
Leonard L. Mixon, *District 3*  
Bill Southard, *District 4*



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**1-855-385-9975** to pay by phone

We no longer take payments over the phone at the office.



# NCEC Operation Round Up

## GRANTS APPROVED DECEMBER 2017

Organization/Agency	Grants Approved
Corsicana Middle School	\$3,000
Common Ground Ministries	\$700
Meals on Wheels of Johnson/Ellis County	\$3,000
Waxahachie Preparatory Academy	\$1,108
Waxahachie Care Services	\$2,000
Waxahachie Senior Center	\$3,000
Waxahachie Symphony Association	\$3,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$15,808</b>



## NCEC Offers Scholarships to Members

NAVARRO COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE is offering a scholarship program for students who are attending or want to attend college or vocational school.

The cooperative will award six scholarships in the amount of \$6,000 each for 2018. These scholarships will be used for the fall 2018 and spring 2019 semesters.

To qualify for the program, applicants must be members of the cooperative or dependents of parents who are members.

Applications are available online at [navarroec.com](http://navarroec.com). They must be received in our office no later than February 16.

For more details, please contact Nina Barber in the Scholarship Fund Department at NCEC.

## Don't Hang That Sign!

THERE ARE MORE THAN 130 MILLION wooden utility poles in the United States, estimates the North American Wood Pole Council. That ample vertical real estate may look appealing when you need somewhere to hang your sign, deer stand, basketball hoop, clothesline or satellite dish.

Don't make that mistake. Attaching items to utility poles is not only illegal, it's dangerous, too.

It may seem innocent, but one pinhole from a tack, nail or staple lodged in a pole can pierce a lineworker's glove, stripping away critical protection from thousands of volts of electricity. Obstructions also can impede lineworkers' ability to climb and inspect poles.

Anyone placing items on poles also risks exposing themselves to thousands of volts of electricity. This is especially true of structures anchored to poles. It's always wise to keep any structure at least 10 feet away from utility poles.

Please help Navarro County EC keep our linemen—and our community—safe. Don't attach unauthorized, dangerous items to our poles.



## Power Tip

Looking for an easy way to make your home cozier? Try using area rugs to increase the insulation levels of your floors. Area rugs are stylish and can help keep cool air from entering through your flooring. Your toes will thank you!

# Congratulations to Jesse and Alex

JESSE HUFFMAN ENTERED THE APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM IN 2014, AND ALEX MENDEZ started in 2015. Through classroom and on-the-job training, Huffman and Mendez have completed Level 3 training. The training they received from our foreman and senior linemen will better equip them to provide our members with reliable electric service. Huffman and Mendez have one more level before becoming linemen with NCEC.



# Employees and Director Honored for Service



Left to right: Steve Stelwagen, 5 years; TempI Briggs, 5 years; Ricky Trull, 40 years; Clowie Lewis, 35 years; Charlotte Weaver, 35 years; and Jared Taylor, 5 years. Not pictured: Director George Smith, 30 years



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WHAT TO DO IF...

## You Encounter a Downed Power Line

**EVEN IF EVERY HOME IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD** loses electricity during a storm, a power line hanging loose could very well be “live” and electrocute you if you touch it.

Just because the electricity is out doesn't mean power lines are dead. **So if you see one, follow these tips to stay safe:**

- ▶ Don't touch a power line with your hand, body, a stick, a broom—not with anything. Stay as far away from it as possible.
- ▶ Call 911 and your electric cooperative.
- ▶ If your car or another person is touching a downed line, don't touch your car or that person. The power could flow through them and into you.
- ▶ Don't drive over a downed wire.
- ▶ If a line falls on your car while you're in it, stay inside. The ground around your car could be energized, and if you touch it, you could be electrocuted. Warn others to stay away and call 911 for help.
- ▶ Teach children about the dangers of fallen power lines.