



ANNUAL MEETING

Over 500 Members Attended the Drive-Thru Meeting

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Our Annual Meeting looked a bit different again this year. Instead of our normal member appreciation dinner and meeting at Beseda Hall, our Board of Directors decided to hold a Drive-Thru Meeting due to the uncertainty of the Covid-19 pandemic and because at the time of planning, the CDC still advised against in-person gatherings.

The meeting was held as a Drive-Thru meeting on August 10th from 5:30-7:30 pm. Members drove through three stations to register, enter for door prizes, receive their gift, submit their ballot, and choose their \$20 meal certificate.

Prior to the meeting, we sent out our 2021 Annual Report as an insert in our August 2021 Cooperative Connections issue. This report included the Leadership Report from General Manager Stephanie Horst and Board President Paul Voigt as well as the Treasurer's

Report from Board Treasurer Robert Ruppelt that are normally presented at in person meetings.

The Annual Meeting was set to start at 5:30 but demand dictated we start allowing cars to go through the meeting Drive-Thru just after 5pm. Board President Paul Voigt called the meeting to order via Facebook Live.

From 5:00 to about 6:45, we had a steady stream of members driving through the meeting. We formed two traffic lines, and for a while, both lines stretched from the first station just in front of our main office all the way to Highway 50! Our employees were very busy during the meeting, but they enjoyed the opportunity to visit with all the members who attended.

To conclude the meeting, Board Secretary Dave Sternhagen went live on Facebook at 7:40pm. He concluded that a quorum was met, and that 505 registered members were in attendance. He also confirmed that the 2020 Annual

Meeting Minutes and Financials were approved.

When Dave was finished conducting the official secretary business, attorney Shelia Woodward oversaw the seating of directors. She confirmed that the unopposed ballot was officially approved via voting ballot during the Drive-Thru meeting with oversight by the appointed election committee. Dave Sykora was reelected to represent District 3, and John Lillevold District 5. Paul Voigt then adjourned the meeting.

After the official business was conducted, directors Dave Sykora and Robert Ruppelt drew for the door prizes. See the winners on the next page.

Thank you to all the members who attended our annual meeting, and we sincerely thank you for your patience and understanding! We normally have around 300 registered members at annual meetings, but this year we had over 500!

We unfortunately ran out of the cargo organizer gifts, so we had to supplement with annual meeting gifts from previous years. We also ran out of 2021 cookbooks. However, we have more cookbooks in stock, so if you didn't get one and would like one, stop by our office!

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-Far left: Furry members were welcome too!

-Left: Sean Kafka hands a member their gift.

Clockwise from bottom right:

-Election oversight committee members Rick Koupal, Darrell Beran, and Bob Felber with board member Dave Sternhagen.

-Wes Kloucek and Jenn Boska hand out a meal certificate.

-Tyler Suess and Kara Zomer register a member.

-Gunnar Dally and Teresa Holland hand out a meal certificate.

-Nicole Einrem and Kevin Meyer register a member and admire his vintage car.

-This crew took the (unofficial) award for most unique ride!



DOOR PRIZE WINNERS

Donated By	Prize	Won By
Border States	Large Vacuum Mug	Gerald & Linda Hofmann
Border States	Large Vacuum Mug	Don & Phyllis Naber
Basin Electric	Solar Power Bank	Tony & Darcie Sees
Basin Electric	Travel Coffee Mug	Steve Mueller
B-Y Electric	Smart Wi-Fi Plugs	Robert Zavadil
B-Y Electric	Amazon Echo Dot Speaker	Don Kirschenman
Basin Electric	Dry Bag First Aid Kit	Robert Hill
Basin Electric	Buck Knife	Gary & Kayla Ginsbach
Basin Electric	Bag Cooler	Dean & Viola Holman
East River Electric	Travel Tote	Jerry & Joanne Herman
Border States	Bag Chair	Robert Gleich
Border States	Bag Chair	Michael Bouza
Border States	RTIC 28 Can Cooler	Roger & Sandy Dvoracek
B-Y Electric	Kindle Fire Tablet E-Reader	Mary Jerke
B-Y Electric	Smart Thermostat (w/ Installation)	John & Jean Fitzgerald
B-Y Electric	Air Fryer	Robert Jerke
B-Y Electric	Greenworks Electric Leaf Blower	Evelyn Kloucek
B-Y Electric	32 inch LED Smart TV	Donald & Cheryl Denouden
B-Y Electric	Roomba Robot Vacuum	Dennis & Sherlyn Povondra