

STEARNS ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

MAY 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Stearns Electric Association was called to order on Thursday, May 28, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. at the Melrose office of Stearns Electric Association.

Highlights of the meeting include:

- Darrick Moe, CEO of the Minnesota Rural Electric Association (MREA), provided an update on MREA's legislative session priorities and programs and services, including its safety training partnership with Stearns Electric.
- A facility update was given regarding the former headquarters at 900 Kraft Drive. The Cooperative recently completed a second auction for remaining items and executed a lease with Merry Moose Childcare and Preschool LLC for the front portion of the facility.
- CEO Matt O'Shea provided an update including information on the demand rate implementation task force team, guidance on using the Cooperative's brand in campaigning efforts and other industry-related news.
- A recap of the recent Member Engagement Group (MEG) meeting was provided, and it was noted that the Power Connection newsletter will advertise opportunities for future interested members.
- Directors Cramer, Tomasek, Rothstein and Koehler attended area high school scholarship ceremonies, presenting certificates to recipients at ROCORI, Sauk Rapids-Rice, Cathedral and BBE.

Next Meeting: July 23, 2026

