# Who We Are

Oakdale Electric Cooperative (OEC) is an electric distribution cooperative serving more than 14,805 members. Our electric service areas include most of Monroe and Juneau counties, and portions of Jackson, Sauk and Wood counties in Wisconsin.

# **Fast Facts About OEC**

Members	14,805	Substations	18
Connected Meters	19,045	Meters/Mile	6.70
Miles of Line	2,841	Members/Mile	5.21
Year Energized	1937	Employees	39

# **Mission**

Oakdale Electric Cooperative is dedicated to providing our members with safe, reliable, superior, and competitively priced energy services.

# **Vision**

Oakdale Electric Cooperative strives to enhance the quality of life for our members, while exceeding member expectations.

# **Values**

Safety | Integrity | Innovation | Environmental stewardship | Accountability | Open, honest communication | Commitment to members, community, and employees

# **Current Board Members**

Bob Hess	District 1
Jon Williams, Secretary	District 6
Jim Van Wychen, <i>Treasurer</i>	District 2
Rick Barrett, Chairman	District 4
Martin Potter	District 5
Greg Eirschele, Vice Chairman	District 3
Robin Craker	District 7

# **Executive Staff**

Chris Tackmann

Deana Protz

Rachel Winrich

Todd O'Neil

John Ollendick

Matt Riggs

Chad Schauf

General Manager & CEO

Executive Assistant/HR

Finance Director

Member Relations Director

Operations Director

Engineering Services Director

IT Director

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Duties & Responsibilities** 





# **Be Involved**

**Be a Director.** As a member of Oakdale Electric Cooperative (OEC) you have an opportunity to make a difference – for your cooperative, for its members, and for the communities it serves. Accept the challenge! Serve on the OEC Board of Directors and help guide this very progressive energy cooperative into the future.

### **Qualifications**

- You are a cooperative member directly, residing primarily in the district up for election.
- You have not been employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise, or a business selling energy, supplies, or services to the cooperative.
- You have not been employed by the cooperative within the preceding five years.
- You have not been convicted of a felony in any jurisdiction at any time in the preceding seven years.
- You have not been an incumbent of or candidate for a partisan elective county, state or federal office in connection with which a salary is paid.
- You have not been a claimant against the cooperative within the preceding five years.

# Responsibilities

- To maintain the legal entity of the cooperative.
- To act as trustee for the memberowners.
- To provide organizational and operational direction.
- To consider and adopt or approve specifications in consultation with the General Manager/CEO.
- To provide the continuing operating and capital requirements of the cooperative.
- To establish and periodically review measures and controls as recommended by the General Manager/CEO.

### **Duties**

- Gain knowledge about the basic understanding of electricity, including production, distribution, transmission and generation.
- Read and become familiar with information, data, and reports pertaining to the cooperative.
- Attend all regular monthly board meetings, special board meetings, committee meetings and annual membership meetings. Regular board meetings are typically the first Tuesday of the month held at 9AM.
- Work in harmony with the board and management for the good of all cooperative members.

### Benefits

- The Board of Directors offers a great opportunity to participate in a progressive member-owned utility and to be recognized as a leader in the community in which you live.
- As a director you will have the opportunity to travel to regional and national meetings to meet and exchange information and ideas with representatives from other electric cooperatives and affiliated organizations.
- Directors are paid a per diem for each regular board meeting, and for any additional meetings or service required, as well as IRS approved mileage.

# How to Become a Director

The director petition nomination/election process takes place in conjunction with the Annual Meeting. If you are interested in running for a director position, you must submit your

completed petition/nomination form by 3 p.m. on December 20, 2024. For more information, please contact Deana Protz at 608-372-8831, 800-241-2468 or dprotz@oakdalerec.coop.

# **Board Makeup**

OEC's members are represented by a Board of seven directors, one from each of the seven districts that make up the cooperative's service area. Each year the membership elects a director from two or three districts on a rotating basis. Directors are elected for a three-year term.

District 1	City Point, Hiles, Dexter, Remington, Cranmoor, Port Edwards, Finley, Armenia Jackson, Wood, and Juneau counties
District 2	Knapp, Bear Bluff, Lincoln, Scott, La Grange, Byron Jackson and Monroe counties
District 3	Greenfield, Angelo, Adrian, Tomah, Wells, Ridgeville, Wilton, Clifton, Glendale <i>Monroe county</i>
District 4	Oakdale, Orange, Clearfield, Fountain, Lisbon Juneau and Monroe counties
District 5	Kingston, Cutler, Necedah, Germantown, Marion <i>Juneau county</i>
District 6	Plymouth, Lindina, Lemonweir, Kildare, Wonewoc, Summit, Seven Mile Creek Juneau county
District 7	La Valle, Winfield, Dellona, Lyndon, Reedsburg Juneau and Sauk counties

# **Contact Information**

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