

 <b>Oakdale Electric Cooperative</b>		<b>Board Policy</b>
<b>Policy Name: Attendance and Participation in Membership Meetings and Membership Meeting Rules and Procedures</b>		<b>Policy No: 5.03</b>
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**OBJECTIVE:** To establish the guidelines for providing for the attendance and participation in membership meetings and establish the rules and procedures to be used in conducting membership meetings of the Cooperative.

**POLICY:      Membership Meetings**

A.    Attendance. Any membership meeting of the Cooperative shall be open for attendance to the following; however, in the event of space limitations, priority in attendance shall be provided in accordance with the order of classification listed below:

1.    Members of Oakdale Electric Cooperative.
2.    Staff members and legal counsel.
3.    Invited guests and representatives of Dairyland Power, WECA, NRECA and other associated Cooperative service organizations.
4.    Media representatives, including accredited representatives of all media having circulation or coverage of all or any part of the service area.
5.    Any member of the public who registers, giving his or her name, address, organization represented, and interest or basis of concern in the meeting. General public participants must be approved by the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, or General Manager/CEO.

B.    Participation. The following shall have the right to participate in the discussion of business at the membership meeting.

1.    Members of Oakdale Electric Cooperative.
2.    Those on the agenda and program of the meeting.
3.    Time permitting, the chairman of the meeting, may restrict or limit discussion, and may permit any other person in attendance to speak on any pertinent issue before the meeting, subject to such appropriate limitation as to time as the chairman may impose.

## Meeting Rules and Procedures:

The following rules and procedures for membership meetings shall be utilized:

1. Procedural questions shall be governed by Cooperative Bylaw Article II, Section 7 Items of Business.
2. Any speaker must be recognized by the chair before speaking.
3. Members, and others by consent of members, must give his or her name when recognized by the chair.
4. Delegates are to limit their questions and comments to the time indicated by the chair, with any rebuttal also limited to the time indicated by the chair.
5. Questions and comments from members will be in order during old and new business sessions only.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** Board of Directors and General Manager/CEO.

\*renamed from Meeting Attendance & Participation-Membership

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