

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Cooperative Values Democratic member control

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Over the past several months, we've examined many of the cooperative principles and how they come to life at Warren RECC. This month, we look at perhaps the most important of the Seven Cooperative Principles: Democratic Member Control.

In the 1930s, electric cooperatives were created by groups of people in areas that for-profit electric companies didn't want to serve. Cooperatives were developed at the consumer level, and they were created with a structure that ensured every person that contributed to the company was considered an owner. Today, electric cooperatives are still owned by their members, just as they were nearly 100 years ago.

Our unique structure means you are not just a customer. You are a part of the family. One of the ways you can actively participate in your cooperative is by taking part in the annual meeting. At our annual meeting you can learn more about your cooperative, request additional services, and vote on the director election.

The Warren RECC service territory is divided into seven districts, with one director serving each district. As a member you can vote in any election for any district. You are not restricted to the district you live in. Once elected, those seven directors are responsible for developing policies and setting rates for the cooperative. By participating in the election, you are helping to determine the future of your cooperative by choosing the leadership you trust to lead the company.

At Warren RECC, we take our history and our mission to improve the quality of life for our members very seriously. Each year, at our annual meeting, we present the co-op's annual results to you and update you on the activities undertaken during the year.

Though last year was an unusual year for everyone, we are excited to share the many things we accomplished on your behalf and even celebrate a few successes. We hope you will join us on July 8!



By President/CEO

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