Board of Directors Policy

Subject: ATTENDANCE AT BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETINGS		Policy No: 44
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I. OBJECTIVE:

A. To state the policy of Empire Electric Association, Inc. (EEA) with regard to attendance of members, consumers, the public, and news media at board of directors (Board) meetings.

II. POLICY:

A. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 40-9.5-108(1), as the same may be modified or amended, meetings of the Board are open to all EEA members, consumers, members of the public, and news media at all times, unless the Board votes to go into executive session.

B. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 40-9.5-108(2)(b), as the same may be modified or amended, any consumer or member of EEA shall be given an opportunity to address the Board, subject to the following conditions:

1. Any consumer or member who has a complaint must follow Board Policy 52 – Regulation Governing Complaints before the complaint can be formally addressed by the Board.

2. Any consumer, member, or group of consumers or members who wish to meet with the Board to express their views on EEA policies, rules, and regulations, or other matters may schedule such meeting with the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting. If a group of consumers or members request the meeting, an estimate of the attendance shall be made by the group requesting the meeting so that adequate room and seating may be arranged. The request for a meeting with the Board shall be made in writing at least two (2) weeks prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board to allow staff the opportunity to prepare any information needed by the Board and to meet any statutory requirements for notice of the Board's regularly scheduled meeting.

3. The presiding board officer shall have the discretion to determine the length of time each presenter may have and may further limit any presentation that becomes obstreperous, cumulative, or redundant.

4. The Board cannot take action on any matter presented during member comment, unless the item is included in an agenda and subject to proper notice under applicable statute.

C. Nothing herein shall preclude the Board from calling an executive session consistent with state law and EEA's bylaws.

III. RESPONSIBILITY

A. The Board shall be responsible for any change or revision of this policy.

B. The Manager is responsible for the administration of this policy and for making recommendations for changes.