

MARCH 2022

# WATT'S WATT



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Monday through Friday

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# 2022 DIRECTOR ELECTION UNDERWAY

Southeastern Indiana REMC's service territory is broken down into nine districts. One member from each of these districts is elected by the entire membership to serve on the board of directors for a three-year term. This ensures that members from all areas across the REMC's service territory are equally represented in the board room.

Each year an election is held to fill the board seats for three of the nine districts, on a rotating basis. A common misconception is that a member may only vote for the representative from their district. The truth is that all members can vote for the candidate of their choice in each district listed on the ballot each year.

This year there are five candidates running for three open seats on the board of directors. Members have several voting options. Paper ballots were mailed to all active members on Tuesday, February 22. The ballot included instructions for voting by mail, online, or through the SmartHub app. The deadline for these voting options is Tuesday, March 22, at 11:59 p.m. Members may also vote onsite at the annual meeting on Saturday, March 26, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m.



Jesse McClure  
**DISTRICT 4**

Jesse has served as an REMC board member for three years and is currently the board secretary. He has completed the Credentialed Cooperative Director (CCD) certification through the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA).



Melissa Menchhofer  
**DISTRICT 5**

Melissa has served as an REMC board member for seven years. She is currently vice president of the board and represents the cooperative on the Indiana Electric Cooperatives (IEC) board of directors.



Andrew Iceberg  
**DISTRICT 5**

Andrew currently serves as a member of the Ohio County Community Foundation Junior Grants Committee and has served as a former member of the Ohio County Fair Board.



Doug Rump  
**DISTRICT 5**

Doug recently retired with 40 years of experience, including 22 years in utilities management at Fernald, 10 years as a safety director at Muscatatuck Urban Training Center, and 5 years as the town manager and utility superintendent for the Town of Dillsboro.



Casey Menchhofer  
**DISTRICT 9**

Casey has served as an REMC board member for three years and is currently pursuing the Credentialed Cooperative Director (CCD) certification through the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA).

**For more information about this year's director candidates, visit [www.seiremc.com/annualmeeting](http://www.seiremc.com/annualmeeting)**

## REMC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE APPROACHING

Southeastern Indiana REMC will award three \$500 scholarships to eligible graduating Seniors in 2022. All eligible applicants will be entered into a drawing, which will take place during the REMC's annual meeting on Saturday, March 26, at South Ripley High School.

### Eligibility Requirements

- The parents or legal guardians of the applicant must be a member of Southeastern Indiana REMC.
- The applicant must be a 2022 graduating Senior.
- The recipient must enroll in post-secondary education as a full-time student in the fall of 2022.

*Applications must be submitted online at [www.seiremc.com/scholarships](http://seiremc.com/scholarships) by Friday, March 18.*



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## Patronage Capital Refunds Issued

Could you use some extra cash this month? The good news is that you don't have to find a lucky four-leaf clover or catch a leprechaun to find his pot of gold. Southeastern Indiana REMC has made it a little easier for you this month by issuing patronage capital refunds.

Approximately \$1.5 million in patronage capital will be retired for the year 1999 and a portion of 2020. Current members with a patronage allocation for those years will see a credit on their billing statement this month, and checks will be mailed to inactive members and beneficiaries with patronage allocations for those years on March 11.

All members are encouraged to visit the Patronage Refund page on our website to view the unclaimed patronage listing. If you see someone you know listed there, please ask them to contact us to get their refund processed.