



Trustee Elections, OCC Vote Top Annual Meeting

More than 1,400 members enjoyed unseasonably pleasant temperatures Thursday, Aug. 5 as they attended annual meeting to vote on trustee representation and removing East Central from the jurisdiction of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission (OCC).

Two positions on the board of trustees were up for election, with members re-electing one trustee and seating a new one.

Incumbent Jimmy Eller from district 4 was re-elected after facing opponents William Bradley and Lee Leatherman.

Dwight Luther was elected to represent district 7 members. He was opposed by Louis Harding and

incumbent Kenneth Turnbull.

Following the elections, board reports and keynote speaker Larry Watkins from the Association of Electric Cooperatives, over 50 members were the lucky winners of prizes.

Four members received cash prizes in the amounts of \$250, \$500, \$750 and \$1,000 as they were randomly selected as grand prize winners.

Prior to the business session and prize drawings, members took advantage of the many services offered in the health fair, visited the arts and crafts fair and farmers market, and enjoyed good food and cool drinks offered by a variety of various vendors.



Grand prize winners are (left to right) Vance Brinsfield, Eufaula, \$1,000; Rhonda VanBrunt, Council Hill, \$750; Carolyn Peavler, Henryetta, \$500; Pauline Kennedy, Henryetta, \$250.



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Membership Terminates OCC Jurisdiction

Balloting on the proposed termination of Oklahoma Corporation Commission (OCC) jurisdiction concluded at Annual Meeting, as members approved the proposal by a 73 per cent margin.

"Because of the outcome of the vote, East Central immediately returned to self-regulation at the conclusion of annual meeting," explains East Central General Manager Fred Smith.

"We appreciate the members' support in this issue and confidence in the trustees and management this vote implies," says Jimmy Eller, president of the board of trustees.

Ballots cast at annual meeting were counted and added to the tally of ballots which had been returned by mail to an independent auditing firm prior to the meeting.