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BEK Hosts 70th Annual Meeting

(Steele, ND) - BEK Communications Cooperative's 70th Annual Meeting was held on June 9 at the Kidder County School in Steele, ND. "Honoring the Past, Building the Future" was this year's theme. The meeting was broadcast live statewide by BEK TV.

A beef supper was served by Kari Stroh, and Victor Wald provided live polka music prior to President Brett Stroh calling the meeting to order.

Mandan Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, presented the flags, and Stacey Svanes sang the National Anthem. The invocation was given by Father Peter Sharpe, St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, Steele, Tappen, and Medina, ND.

The meeting featured a "2021 Year in Review" video, Auditor's Report from Chris Skidmore of Moss Adams, annual report from Derrick Bulawa, CEO/General Manager, and elections for directors in District I, District III, and District IV.

Following the audit report, officers' report, election, and guest introductions, President Brett Stroh asked for old business of which there was none. He then asked for new business of which there was none. The meeting was then adjourned.

Election Results

Tellers for this election were: Jim Porter from District I, Gary Juergens from District II, Sandy Baumgartner from District III, and Joan Sayler from District IV.

Members voted to re-elect Shane Morris to District I and William (Bill) Becker to District IV. In District III, members elected Holly Wills, who defeated Vicki Martin.

At the reorganization meeting following the annual membership meeting, the Board of Directors elected Brett Stroh to continue to serve as President and Bill Becker to serve as Vice President. The Board of Directors elected Kevin Bernhardt to serve as Secretary/Treasurer.

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Following the adjournment of the Annual Meeting, a drawing was held for BEK door prize winners. The winners are:

Kid Prizes

Baseball Basket – Levi Erdelt
Water Gun Package – Chase Mittleider
Golf Package – Asher Kallenbach

Adult Prizes

\$300 Cash – John Trzynka
\$200 Cash – Milton Weippert
\$100 Cash – Lawrence Enzminger

BEK would like to thank Finley Engineering and Border States Electric for donating additional door prizes. The winners are:

Leslie Moch
Scott Mittleider
Carmen Essig
Paul Erdelt
Ron Krous
Kay Jank

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About BEK Communications Cooperative

BEK Communications Cooperative, founded in 1952, is a communications services company headquartered in Steele, North Dakota. In the last 70 years, the company has grown to include branch offices in Bismarck and Valley City and now serves more than 12,000 customers. BEK provides fiber-based voice, Gigabit broadband, and IP television services; cloud-based security, automation, surveillance, voice, and storage services; and hospital and business communications solutions in North Dakota. The company also provides statewide sports broadcasting and national news reports on the BEK TV Network, and television content across North Dakota through KNDM, KNDB, KRDK.

BEK emphasizes their fast, friendly, local service experience and a broad portfolio of high-quality communications, enterprise, broadcasting, and advertising services.