

Board of Directors Q&A

Here are answers to common questions about our board of directors. For more details, visit the Board of Directors and Annual Meeting & Director Election pages on our website.

What is the role of a director and/or board?

Connexus Energy is a member-owned and member-controlled electric cooperative. Members elect other members to serve as directors on the cooperative board. These democratically elected directors represent the members' interests as they establish rates, develop policies to guide operations and strategic direction, provide financial oversight, and ensure compliance with federal, state and local laws.

How often and when are board meetings held?

The Connexus Energy Board of Directors meets monthly on the third Thursday of the month at the cooperative's headquarters in Ramsey except for April. Meeting start times, dates and formats may vary.

Special board meetings and board committee meetings are scheduled as needed and are closed meetings to discuss proprietary information.

For a list of meeting dates and more information, please visit our Board and Bylaws page. Board meeting agendas and minutes are available to Connexus members by logging into your Connexus account.

How can I attend meetings?

We ask that members interested in observing a board meeting contact 763.323.2200 or email info.boardofdirectors@connexusenergy.com at least one week prior to the meeting.

Members who wish to present an item regarding cooperative business should submit a request form at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

How do I contact a current board member?

Members can contact board members by going to the Board of Directors page and clicking on their name/the contact link under the director's photo.

How many directors are on the board?

Connexus is governed by eight directors. Two directors represent each of the four districts that make up the cooperative's service area.

Are the Board of Directors considered employees of the cooperative?

No. The directors are elected to the board by the membership. They serve as representatives of the cooperative membership and are not employed by Connexus Energy.

What is a district?

Connexus' service area is divided into four districts to equitably represent the number of members residing in each district.

An interactive district map is available on our Board of Directors page.

How long are director terms and when do they begin?

Director terms are for three years and begin immediately following the Annual Meeting in April.

What are the time requirements of a director?

Directors are expected to attend all Connexus Energy board meetings, regional meetings, conferences, and other events. They also participate in community and company events. Read our <u>board</u> of directors' packet.

Is there education available for board directors?

Yes! Connexus board members are encouraged to enroll in training and education that helps directors understand their roles and responsibilities, stay current on key industry issues and trends, and prepare them to meet the challenges of the future.

Does the board receive compensation?

Yes. Each director receives a monthly retainer for their service and reimbursement of board related mileage and travel expenses.

How do I run for the board of directors?

Any Connexus Energy member in good standing may seek election for the board of directors in the district in which they reside. Eligible members must submit their candidate application via the link found on the Annual Meeting & Director Election page by the deadline. Completed applications are reviewed for eligibility, background and reference checks.

All director candidates are required to interview with the nominating committee to determine qualification for placement on the election ballot.

Look for more information in the fall issue of the Connexus Connection or view our Annual Meeting & Elections page.

Who do I contact if I have more questions?

Please contact Connexus Energy at 763.323.2835 or email info.boardofdirectors@connexusenergy.com.