

*KIT CARSON ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES*

February 17, 2026

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Kit Carson Electric Cooperative, Inc. (KCEC) was called to order by the President, Mr. Bobby Ortega, on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 1:57 p.m. in the Marcelino Martinez Room of the headquarters building of the Cooperative, Taos, New Mexico (NM). The following Trustees were present:

<i>Russ Coyle</i>	<i>Present</i>
<i>Martin Dimas</i>	
<i>Bruce Jassmann</i>	
<i>Manuel Medina</i>	
<i>Bobby Ortega</i>	
<i>Arthur Rodarte</i>	
<i>Bernie Torres</i>	
<i>David Torres</i>	
<i>Luisa Valerio-Mylet</i>	

Also present were Luis A. Reyes, Jr., Chief Executive Officer, and Carmella Suazo, Assistant Manager, who recorded the day's proceedings. The President reported that Ms. Sylvia Vigil was ill and would not be attending.

It was declared a quorum was present. *Quorum*

Mr. Dimas led the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. *Pledge of Allegiance*

Mrs. Valerio-Mylet led the Board in a word of Prayer. *Prayer*

The agenda was presented. The President reported the purpose of the Special Board meeting was to consider the appointment of District 4 Trustee, which would be discussed during Executive Session if need be and to administer the Oath of Office if approved. It was moved by Mr. Rodarte, seconded by Mr. Coyle, and unanimously approved that the agenda be approved as presented. *Agenda*

The President introduced Ms. Matilda Duran-Gonzalez, sister to the late Mr. Cristobal Duran, as candidate for the vacant District Four Trustee position. Ms. Duran-Gonzalez introduced herself as a resident of Llano San Juan and provided a background of her work experience and operations management experience during her 40-year tenure at Centinel Bank. Ms. Duran-Gonzalez responded to Trustee questions about her background and preferred nickname. Board members shared personal recollections of her and of Mr. Cristobal Duran and expressed support for her candidacy. The President clarified that the appointment would run until the KCEC Annual Meeting in June 2026 and *District 4 Trustee Appointment with Potential Action*

that Ms. Duran-Gonzalez had the option to run for the seat at this year's District Four Board Election. It was the consensus of the Board that Executive Session was not needed. It was moved by Mr. Rodarte, seconded by Mr. D. Torres, and unanimously approved, that Ms. Matilda Duran-Gonzalez be appointed as Trustee for District Four. A Roll Call vote taken by Carmella Suazo, Assistant Manager (yes in favor, no against) was taken as follows:

Mr. D. Torres – Yes
Mr. Rodarte – Yes
Mr. Jassmann – Yes
Mrs. Valerio-Mylet – Yes
Mr. Ortega – Yes
Mr. Medina – Yes
Mr. Dimas – Yes
Mr. B. Torres – Yes
Mr. Coyle - Yes

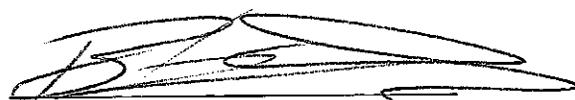
Mrs. Carmella Suazo administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed District Four Trustee, Ms. Matilda Duran-Gonzalez. The Board congratulated Ms. Duran-Gonzalez and the President invited her to attend the Broadband Committee meeting that week as well as the Work Session and Regular Board Meeting scheduled for the following week.

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Mr. Jassmann, seconded by Mr. Rodarte, and unanimously approved that the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Kit Carson Electric Cooperative, Inc. be adjourned until February 24, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., the date and time of the next Board meeting. Unless changed and, thereupon, the President declared the meeting adjourned at 2:12 p.m. The following Trustees were present at the end of the meeting:

Russ Coyle, Martin Dimas, Bruce Jassmann, Manuel Medina, Bobby Ortega, Arthur Rodarte, Bernie Torres, David Torres, and Luisa Valerio-Mylet.


Secretary

Approved this 24th day of Feb. 2026.


President