

**STATE ELECTRICAL BOARD MEETING**  
**April 24,2026**

**ATTENDEES: Division** Director Craig Thelen, John Hiller, Nate Francis and Steve Farrington, Boyd Pedersen, Jim Brummer, Mike Hunsberger, Tyler Ritz and Clint Hansen

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mike Hunsberger at 9:04 am No discussion of meeting minutes occurred. Motion to approve minutes for the March 13<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting were made by Boyd Pedersen and seconded by Tyler Ritz Voting aye; all. A second motion was taken approving the minutes for the March 26<sup>th</sup> Board by made by John Hiller and seconded by Jim Brummer Voting aye; all

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

79.73% of the budget year has elapsed and we have spent 69.24% of the budget, Cash balance of \$420,194.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

LB 889 passed with an amendment; this is the penalty phase that will now go from a Class I Misdemeanor to a Class IV Felony and the renewal period that was part of the State Act update was added to this bill as an amendment.

Director Thelen is reporting that revenue was added to the operating budget through the Legislative Appropriation Bill.

District 11 Inspector Dan Lovercheck has resigned, and we are in the process of trying to fill the position.

Software program is live as of April 13 and we are working through a lot of little bugs, but it is getting better and once everything is fixed will be a great program to carry the Division into the next 10 years.

Director Thelen wanted to report on the updated Attorney General's opinion a meeting was conducted with Attorney General Hilgers last Tuesday and looked at possible options for addressing this new reversal of opinion, the NREA is very interested in the outcome from the AG's office.

District 6 and 18 Inspector positions are still open with no applicants.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Next Board Meeting is May 29, 2026**

Motion to adjourn at 10:06 am by John Hiller and seconded by Jim Brummer all in favor Aye; all.

  
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Craig Thelen, Executive Secretary