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## **TUESDAY, JANUARY 18**

9 a.m.	<b>Resolutions Committee meeting</b> — Governor's Room <b>Deon Vilhauer</b> , committee chairman
10 a.m.	NDAREC Board meeting – Heart Room
10 a.m.	N.D. Managers Association meeting — Cannonball Room
12 p.m.	NDAREC Colleague Appreciation Luncheon — Courtyard
1 p.m.	<b>NDAREC Board meeting resumes</b> — Heart Room
1 p.m.	N.D. Managers Association meeting resumes — Cannonball Room
2:30 to 5 p.m.	Registration – Courtyard
5 p.m.	NDAREC Welcome Reception — Patterson Room Sponsored by CoBank

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

7:30 a.m.	Registration – Courtyard	1:30 p.m
9 a.m.	Call to order — Lamborn Room Bob Grant, president and presiding officer	
	Presentation and posting of the flags	
	National Anthem Performed by members of the Northern Lights Chorus, directed by Mary Helvig, NDAREC rural development assistant	2:30 p.n
9:10 a.m.	Remarks from Sen. John Hoeven	
9:30 a.m.	Reconnect: Together, We Power the Future Report on 2021 NDAREC Work Plan achievements — Lamborn Room Bob Grant, NDAREC president, and	



**Josh Kramer**, NDAREC executive vice president and general manager

10:00 a.m.	Remarks from Sen. Kevin Cramer
10:15 a.m.	Refreshment break — Courtyard
	Sponsored by The Okonite Company
10:30 a.m.	<b>Credentials Committee meeting</b> — Room 1258
	Note: All voting delegates must have registered
	before the meeting of the Credentials Committee
	to vote on the election of officers.
10:45 a.m.	U.S. Energy and Climate Policy: Context and
	Realities – Lamborn Room
	<b>David Gattie</b> , College of Engineering and Center for International Trade and Security
	ior international made and security
12 p.m.	NDAREC Awards Luncheon
	<ul> <li>Patterson and Grand Pacific Rooms</li> </ul>
	Josh Kramer, master of ceremonies
	Invocation
	Connie Bitz, chairperson, NDAREC Professional
	Development Committee
1:30 p.m.	Panel   Powering the Future
·	Mac McLennan, president and CEO of Minnkota
	Power Cooperative
	Todd Telesz, CEO and general manager of Basin
	Electric Power Cooperative
	Josh Kramer, facilitator
2:30 p.m.	NDAREC Business Session — Lamborn Room
	Credentials Committee report

Financial update Brenna Ohman, NDAREC finance director

NRECA report Lynn Jacobson, NRECA director Safety video | Commitment to Zero Contacts: Phase 2 Introduction by Lynn Jacobson Narrated by Tony Anderson, CEO, Cherryland Electric Cooperative

Minutes of previous meeting Connie Bitz, secretary

REPAC & ACRE report Zac Smith, NDAREC communications and government relations director

Election of officers • President

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Refreshment break Sponsored by National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation

NDAREC Business Session reconvenes – Lamborn Room

Election of officers – continued • Secretary

Voting: Ballots will be distributed to voting delegates. After voting, all delegates will proceed to the front to deposit their ballot and the Credentials Committee chairperson will cut their ribbon to indicate they voted. All candidates must be registered before the Credentials Committee meets at 10:30 a.m.

Resolutions Deon Vilhauer, committee chairman

**Old business** 

New business

Adjournment of NDAREC Business Session



#### 4:30 p.m. Video remarks by Rep. Kelly Armstrong

5 to 7 p.m. Member Reception

- Patterson and Grand Pacific Rooms Sponsored by Federated Rural Electric Insurance Exchange

### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 20**

- 7 a.m. Breakfast buffet Grand Pacific Room Sponsored by Rural Electric Supply Cooperative (RESCO)
- 8:15 a.m. D.C. Legislative and Political Update - Lamborn Room Hill Thomas, NRECA vice president of legislative affairs
- 8:45 a.m. Panel | Securing Our Future: The Supply Chain Dilemma John Kane, founder of Warehouses4Good.org

*Michael Boland*, professor, Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota

*Lori Capouch*, facilitator, NDAREC rural development director

9:45 a.m. Panel | Now and Tomorrow: Managing Our Cooperative Future Mark Kinzler, general manager, Dakota Valley

Electric Cooperative

Seth Syverson, general manager, Northern Plains Electric Cooperative

*Travis Kupper*, co-general manager/CEO, Innovative Energy Alliance Cooperative

Zac Smith, facilitator, NDAREC communications and government relations director

10:15 a.m. Refreshment break Sponsored by Eide Bailly

#### 10:30 a.m. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: Shattering Barriers On and Off the Ice Jocelyne Davidson-Lamoureux and Monique Lamoureux-Morando

During their 15 years on the USA Women's National Team, Monique and Jocelyne Lamoureux rose to become two of the all-time greats in women's ice hockey, winning one Olympic gold medal, two Olympic silver medals, six world championships and one world championship runner-up, along with multiple individual awards and accolades.

#### 11:30 a.m. Adjournment

Immediately following adjournment Rural Development Finance Corporation annual meeting — Heart Room



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# 79<sup>™</sup> ANNUAL MEETING

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