



Overflowing crowds filled the Macey Center at NM Tech for SEC's 81st Annual Members Meeting

81st Annual Meeting Breaks Attendance Records - Members Approve Bylaw Amendments

For 81 years, SEC has been more than a utility—it has been a community built on shared purpose, resilience, and service. This year's annual meeting was a powerful reminder of that legacy, and it would not have been the same without the attendance, support, and spirit of our members.

We extend our sincere gratitude to everyone who attended and helped make this celebration so meaningful. From longtime members who have been with us through decades of change, to newer faces just beginning their journey with the co-op, your participation reflects the strength of what we've built together. Each conversation, each question, and each shared story reinforces the cooperative principle that guides us: we are stronger when we work as one.

This 81-year milestone is not just a marker of time - it represents generations of commitment to bringing reliable, affordable power to our rural communities. It speaks to neighbors helping neighbors, to innovation roote in necessity, and to a vision that continues to look forward while honoring the past.

We also want to extend our sincere appreciation to all members who participated in the vote on the proposed bylaw amendments. Your overwhelming support marks an important moment in the continued evolution of our cooperative. By approving these changes, you have reinforced a shared commitment to transparency, accountability, and open communication between your cooperative and the members we serve.

Your voice matters—and this vote is a clear example of members shaping the future of their cooperative. We are grateful for the time you took to stay informed, participate in the process, and make your perspective heard. These bylaw amendments will be implemented immediately and our goal is to ensure that these changes translate into meaningful, visible improvements in how we communicate and operate.

As we move ahead, we remain dedicated to serving you with integrity, investing in our infrastructure, and adapting to the evolving energy landscape. But above all, we remain committed to you—our members—because this cooperative belongs to you.

Thank you for showing up, for staying engaged, and for being an essential part of our story.

CELEBRATION & RECOGNITION - Ernest Torres, Line Foreman

We are proud to celebrate 20 years of dedicated service & leadership from Ernest Torres. Beginning his career as an apprentice lineman, he committed himself to learning the trade from the ground up, mastering the skills, safety practices, and work ethic that define our mission.

Through hard work, perseverance, and an unwavering commitment to serving our members, he rose through the ranks to become a respected foreman. His journey reflects not only technical expertise, but also strong leadership, mentorship, and a deep sense of responsibility to his crew and community.

Congratulations also goes to Ernest as the "2026 Long Rope Safety Award" recipient. This peer recognition, reflects not only his commitment to personal safety, but his leadership in creating and sustaining a culture where safety comes first every day.

In a demanding and high-risk field, Ernest consistently sets the standard - leading by example, holding others accountable, and ensuring that every task is approached with preparation and care. His dedication protects his team, strengthens our organization, and truly represents the spirit of this award.



Manny Gonzales, SEC-CEO, presents Ernest with his awards.

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SEC Foundation Announces 2026 Scholarship Recipients:

SEC Foundation \$8,000 scholarships:

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April 18 & 21, 2026 Board Meetings Report...

- elected new officers following the conclusion of the 2026 Annual Members Meeting as follows:
 - President - Leroy Anaya, District 3
 - Vice-President - Stephen Rosas, District 3
 - Secretary/Treasurer - Eileen Latasa, District 2
- selected Leroy Anaya, District 3, to serve as SEC's representative on the Tri-State G&T Board of Directors.
- selected Jason Moore, District 1, to serve as SEC's representative on the NMREC Board, with Eileen Latasa, District 2, to serve as Alternate.
- received and approved the 2025 Financial Audit.