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Dear West Region Members:

Thank you to all those who attended Convention. The hard work of the Lone Star Club and the Central Region was apparent in every aspect of the meeting. I am so grateful to them for the opportunities they provided for us to gather and experience new things together.

As we expected, the proposed amendments were the hot topic of the Business Session. Here are the results of the voting:

- Changing the terms of Board Officers to two years. - FAILED
- Alternating Region meetings and Convention yearly with virtual business meetings for the Association on off-years for Convention. This proposal leans on the support of two-year Officer terms. - FAILED
- Increase Association dues from \$55 to \$70 US. - PASSED
- Updating the language of the Certification Committee to include the "Energy Technician" track currently offered. - PASSED
- Eliminate the language requiring that Region meetings be held in person unless there is an extreme emergency. - PASSED
- Mail Vote: Eliminate Regions and introduce a Club Liaison Board position. - A motion was made by the Grande Prairie Club to form an ad hoc committee to address realignment and formulate proposed amendments to vote on at next year's Convention. The motion PASSED therefore eliminating the need for the mail in vote.

The Ad Hoc Committee will be chaired by Kelli Hiltbrand who has selected a representative from each Region to be members of the committee. As the committee gets off to a start, if you have ideas or insights you'd like to share, please reach out to Kelli or our West Region representative, JoAnn Weiss, to make yourself heard.

Lastly, the end of the year is coming quickly. I know your Clubs are hard at work preparing for Club elections and finding folks for all the committees and events that 2025 will bring, but please keep in mind that the Association level could benefit from your service. There's quite a list of Association committees that need chairs and region representatives and we can be proud of the service of West Region members this year who filled a good number of those roles.

I would like to recognize Kuohui Suchecki of the Midland Club, chair of the Association Technology Committee, who was up to her elbows helping our Convention hosts with the AV equipment during the meetings which is very much appreciated.

Many Thanks,
Heather Woods