

Be A Facebook Winner!

Congratulations to our social media winners, Angie Morgan and Tami Jenness! They each won a gift card to Old Navy and some Wiatel goodies.

You can be a winner, too, by liking our Wiatel and Wiatel Solution Center Facebook pages. All you need to do is answer our give-a-way question posted on our page during the month and your name will go into a drawing for great prizes. Tell your friends and family to follow us and they can be winners, too!



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2025 Annual Meeting Minutes

Wiatel held its 2025 Annual Meeting on the evening of Thursday, April 10 at the Moville Community Center. This meeting marked the 76th Annual Meeting of the members.

The event started with a meal being served from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm with the meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Wiatel's CEO, Heath Mallory. Following the approval of the meeting minutes from the previous year's meeting, Wiatel CEO, Heath Mallory, presented his report.

Mallory commented that Wiatel continues to expand its service footprint, saying, "In a few weeks, we will begin even a larger project. Extending our network and service area West of our current Lawton service area, all the way to Hwy 75 from just South of Hwy 20 North to the Plymouth County line." In addition, Mallory mentioned that adding these new customers will also mean a lot to our current members. "Adding new subscribers and adding the potential of future subscribers at these new locations not only equates to more revenue today, but it will also result in increasing subscriber revenue for the lifetime of the network."

The CEO discussed how the presidential election last November, and how the telecommunications industry is not particularly a partisan type of industry. "I take great pride in Wiatel's ability to work with whoever is in the halls of power in Des Moines or in Washington DC, regardless of which side of the aisle they are on."

Mallory went to great lengths to speak about regulatory, legislative, and judicial uncertainty and how all of these things have added to the organization's level of difficulty when it comes to strategic planning, while the focus has remained on bringing reliable, affordable, world-class service to all of Wiatel's customers. Mallory closed his report by recognizing the staff of Wiatel for their service throughout the last year.

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New Telephone Listings

- Sunt, Michael**
Bronson 948-3201
- Bottjen Implement**
Kingsley 378-3511
- Krogman, Phil John**
Kingsley 378-3092
- Outlook Accounting And Taxes Co.**
Kingsley 378-2355
- Paula's Hair Repair**
Kingsley 378-3409

Network Specialist Jeremy Yanak was recognized for 10 years of service. Service Technician, Dave Christiansen, was recognized for 30 years of service.

CEO Mallory announced the results of the vote for directors. Directors Don Wohlert, Bronson exchange, Mike Bruning, Castana exchange, and Deb Sulsberger, Hornick exchange were all re-elected to three terms on the Board of Directors.

Mallory called for a motion to approve all reports. It was duly moved and seconded that all reports be approved. Motion carried.

Mallory then asked for a motion to ratify the actions of the officers and directors during the past year. It was duly moved and seconded. Motion carried.

CEO Heath Mallory called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was moved and seconded. Motion carried.

At the re-organizational meeting of the Board of Directors following the Annual Meeting, the following officers were elected for the coming year:

- President, Russell Walker;
 - Vice President, Don Wohlert;
 - Secretary, Deb Sulsberger;
 - Treasurer, Steve Witt.
- Other directors are: Pat Rogers, Moville; Scott Blakely, Smithland; Doug Baird, Climbing Hill; Doug Johnson, Oto; and Mike Bruning, Turin-Castana.

Winners of the Attendance prizes contributed by Wiatel were: \$100 Gift Cards to Target: Ron Nicolls, Lawton; Lyle's Auto Salvage, Oto; Dennis Gardner, Moville; Ty Poulson, Smithland; Roger & Jill Wright, Moville; Arthur & Marcella Seidel, Moville and Brooke & Kipp Muellerleile, Climbing Hill.

Hams
40 Hams were given out based on a prize ticket found inside the oven mitts that were given out to members upon check-in.

Children's Prize—
\$100 Gift Card to Barnes & Noble: Raymond Brown, Lawton



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Wiatel Annual Meeting

at the Moville Community Center

Save the Date

Thursday, April 16

Supper 5:00-6:30pm
Business Meeting 6:30pm

Wiatel's Annual Meeting of the members is set for Thursday, April 16 at the Moville Community Center. Wiatel Cooperative members, be watching your mailbox for the formal invitation with meeting details and director election ballot.

We will be serving a meal and giving away Wiatel and Solution Center goodies. There will also be other prize opportunities for those members in attendance. Be watching Wiatel's Facebook page that day for another chance to win. We hope to see all of our Cooperative members there!

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