



Board Candidate Biography

Jim Chesley – Board Vice Chairman

James C. Chesley grew up in Frederick, Maryland and Arlington, Virginia. He earned a degree from Virginia Tech in 1967 with a major in mathematics and a minor in engineering. During a career with the U.S. Navy, he worked at the Naval Surface Warfare Center in Carderock, Maryland and the Office of Naval Research in Arlington, Virginia.

Chesley has been a member of NOVEC and its predecessor, Prince William Electric Cooperative, since 1974. He was first elected to the NOVEC Board of Directors in 2001 to represent District 3. As a director, Chesley serves on the Executive Committee, the Power Supply Committee, the Facilities/Land Committee, the Member/Government Relations Committee, Policy/Bylaws Committee, the Audit/Budget Committee, and the Compensation Committee. Chesley has been vice chairman of the Board of Directors since 2012.

Chesley served as mayor of Clifton from 1992 to 2006. He is an active member of the Clifton Masons, Clifton Lions Club, and the Dominion Cruisers Car Club. These three organizations have worked with NOVEC HELPS to collect toys every December for the Marine Corps' Toys for Tots drive.

Regarding service on NOVEC's board, Chesley said, "It is a pleasure and an honor to serve the members and to provide safe and reliable electricity at the lowest rates in Virginia."

Chesley and his wife, Jennifer, live in Clifton and have two adult daughters.