



August 23, 2011

MINUTES of the Regular meeting held at the Prairie Farms Scale House,
5720 Road 225, Albin, WY

The meeting was called to order by Vice-chairman John Watson at 10:18 am. Present were Vice-chairman Watson, Tim Anderson, Casey Madsen, and Tom May. Also present were Executive Director Keith Kennedy, along with Ted Craig of the Wyoming Department of Agriculture. WWGA Executive Secretary, Marti Hubbs, and WWGA President Ken Tremain arrived at 3:00 pm, and participated until adjournment. Also present for portions of the meeting was WWGA Board member Tyler Anderson. Julie Cook, with WDA, joined a portion of the morning meeting by telephone, and Darrell Hanavan, Executive Director, Colorado Wheat joined a portion of the afternoon portion of the meeting by telephone.

The Chairman asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Hearing no changes, May moved, with Madsen's second, to approve the agenda as publicized. Motion carried.

Madsen moved, with May's second, to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2011 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

The financial report was presented, which included the month of June and July. Madsen moved, with Tim Anderson's second, to approve the financial report. Motion carried. During later discussion with Cook, it was agreed that the \$118.19 entered as scholarship in the July financials, should be listed as advertising. If Kennedy notes that WDA personnel may not know how a particular payment should be coded, he will enter the code on the invoice.

After discussion with Kennedy and Craig regarding the exception budget request, Cook was contacted via phone. The day previous, the Governor's office was supportive of the request. **May moved, with Madsen's second, that the Commission and Department staff seek an exception budget increase for the Commission in the amount of \$59,246. Motion carried.**

A work session ensued, to discuss current variety trial data and research issues, in preparation for the meeting with UW-SAREC personnel in the afternoon. Kennedy stated that CO050322 was the variety under consideration for release by CRFW; the other variety considered, CO050337-

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2, is being considered for release by Kansas Wheat Alliance. In earlier conversations with Hanavan, Kennedy was told there is a possibility of a joint release between CRFW and KWA of this variety. The discussion continued during a working lunch, at which time Ted Craig departed for another appointment. As lunch ended, Colorado Executive Director Hanavan returned an earlier call, and explained the PVP process for members, and discussed variety trials with the Commission.

Kennedy then delivered the executive director's report. During the recent USWA summer meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma, several items were discussed, with John Watson being appointed to the long-range planning committee, Tim Anderson being reappointed to the wheat quality committee, and Keith Kennedy being reappointed to the joint biotechnology committee. Kennedy reported on the USWA budget meeting, with particular emphasis on the replacement and training of personnel, with several key retirements within the next two years. The Unified Export Strategy documents were available for FY2011. Kennedy also reported on the executive session on evaluation of the USWA CEO. The next USWA Board meeting will be in late October/early November 2011 in Scottsdale, Arizona. **Madsen moved, with Tim Anderson's second, to approve an amount not to exceed \$1,500 each for the Commission's two USWA board members, and the Commission Executive to attend the Fall Joint Board meeting in late October/early November. Motion carried.**

Further discussion ensued regarding research and quality testing. Kennedy is to ascertain from Mike Moore the status of seed storage boxes formerly in use at the Sheridan experiment station. **Tim Anderson moved, with Madsen's second, to pay an amount not to exceed \$1,400 for quality testing of wheat varieties at the Portland, Oregon Wheat Marketing Center. Motion carried.**

Ken Tremain, president of WWGA, and Marti Hubbs arrived for the meeting with UW Research personnel at 2:45 pm. In the absence of Dr. Krall and Jerry Nachtman, Tremain updated the Commission on WWGA activities. Commission members were encouraged to meet with Representative Lummis in Cheyenne on September 2, 2011 at 9:45 am, for a meeting to discuss wheat issues. Tremain will also be attending the Joint Wheat meetings in Scottsdale this fall. At 3:30 pm Nachtman was called; he had not been informed of the meeting with the Commission.

Future steps regarding research were discussed. Kennedy is to contact Dr. Krall on August 30, to set a meeting later that week to finalize the variety trials to be planted for the upcoming season. Tim Anderson moved, with Madsen's second, to accept the UW-SAREC response to the wheat variety trial RFP issued in February 2011, and to assign the Wheat

Variety Trial RFP and acceptance to the Crop Research Foundation of Wyoming. Motion carried.

Watson asked for suggestions for the next meeting date. Madsen moved, with Tim Anderson's second, to hold the next meeting on December 5 or 6, 2011, depending on the volume of business required and call of the chairman, and the final date of the WWGA Convention. Motion carried.

Hearing no further business, Vice-chairman Watson adjourned the meeting at 3:55 pm.



Signed, John Watson, Vice-chairman