



July 2, 2015

MINUTES of the Regular meeting, held at Prairie Farms Scalehouse, 5720 County Road 225, Albin, Wyoming

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Theron Anderson at 10:56 am. Present were Theron Anderson, John Watson, Tim Anderson, and Executive Director Keith Kennedy. Chairman Madsen arrived at 11:20 am; his presence is also noted in the narrative below.

The Vice-Chairman declared a quorum present, and asked the group's pleasure regarding the agenda. Tim Anderson moved, with Watson's second, to approve the published agenda, with the addition of USWA contract during the review of BFY2017 budget section of the agenda. Motion carried. Watson moved, with Tim Anderson's second, to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2015 conference call. Motion carried.

Kennedy then presented the financial reports, which included February-May of the current biennium. Watson moved, with Tim Anderson's second, to approve the financial report. Motion carried.

After review of the membership roster presented to the Commission by the Wyoming Wheat Growers Association (WWGA) for May 1, 2014 and April 30, 2015, Watson moved, with Tim Anderson's second, to approve the member retention contract payment for FY2015 to WWGA in the amount of \$2,600 immediately upon invoice. The first grant payment for FY2016 to WWGA in the amount of \$7,000 was also discussed. Tim Anderson moved, with Watson's second, to approve the first payment of the WWGA grant, in the amount of \$7,000 immediately upon invoice. Motion carried. The Commission contribution to the wheat scholarships was discussed. Marti Hubbs has not yet provided a list of scholarship winners to the Commission; Kennedy will forward this list via email to the Commission when received. Madsen arrived at this time, and Watson moved, with Madsen's second, to approve the \$1,000 payment for scholarships to the WWGA immediately upon invoice. Motion carried.

The Commission reviewed the current strategic plan, and changes were suggested. Watson moved, with Madsen's second, to accept the changes to the strategic plan, as noted in underline and strikethrough in Appendix A. Motion carried. At this point, Madsen took the chair.

Watson moved, with Tim Anderson's second, to approve requesting \$180,000 in the standard budget request of the Commission for BFY2017. Motion carried.

Madsen recessed the meeting at 12:18 pm for lunch. Madsen called the meeting back to order at 1:20 pm.

Madsen opened discussion of sending an elevator operator to the Wheat Marketing Center (WMC) seminars at some point in the near future. Further discussion ensued regarding how to decide which operators to send. Tim Anderson moved, with Theron Anderson's second, that Kennedy send a letter detailing the training available at WMC to each elevator that has remitted checkoff dollars in the past two years, to see who might have interest in such training. Motion carried.

Watson moved, with Theron Anderson's second, to approve the proposed contract for FY2016 with U.S. Wheat Associates, Inc., (USWA) in the amount of \$12,500, with payment  
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to be made on or after January 1, 2016. Motion carried. Madsen signed this contract immediately following.

Election of FY2016 officers and board members of USWA. Watson moved, with Theron Anderson's second, to retain the existing slate of officers, Casey Madsen, Chairman; Theron Anderson, Vice-Chairman; Tim Anderson, USWA board member, and; Casey Madsen, USWA board member. Motion carried.

A working lunch was provided by Agrimind LLC. Kennedy offered the Executive Directors report. First, that the variety trial took place on June 30, the most notable issues were freeze damage noted at the Platte and Goshen county locations, and the prevalence of rust at all locations. Second, he relayed that Jerry Nachtman will be retiring on September 1, 2015, and that this will present great difficulties in having the 2016 variety trials planted in a timely manner. Kennedy is to draft a letter to Dr. Frank Galey, asking that Jerry's replacement be hired as soon as possible, so that the trials proceed in an orderly fashion. This is particularly important, as plans have been made to evaluate additional experimental lines from Dr. Scott Haley's program this coming fall. It was agreed that the Wheat Planting Decision meeting should take place at 7:30 p.m. on the evening of August 17, 2015 at the Albin Community Center, with a Commission meeting and Crop Research Foundation of Wyoming meeting to follow.

Hearing no further business, Madsen declared the meeting adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 pm.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Casey Madsen".

Signed, Casey Madsen, Chairman