

## Manitoba Sheep Association Board Meeting Minutes Conference Call

DATE:  
February 18, 2020

PRESENT: Ralph Borst, Guy Bouchard, Sheri Bieganski, Morgan Moore, Simon Atkinson, Bethan Lewis, Angela Pynnne, Wendy Church, Lee Hurton (Staff),

REGRETS: Tracy Stykalo, Wray Whitmore, (Mb Ag)

ABSENT: Linda Fox (MB Ag),

### Mission Statement

To initiate, support and conduct programs and activities designed to stimulate and improve the economic  
Well-being of all segments of the Manitoba sheep industry.

| TOPIC                               | DECISION/ACTION   | ACTION REQUIRED |
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| 1.0 Call to Order and Agenda Review | The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.<br><br><i>Moved by Ralph Borst and seconded by Guy Bouchard that the agenda from the February 18, 2020 meeting be approved. Carried.</i>   |                 |
| 2.0 Approval of Meeting Minutes     | <i>Moved by Angela Pynnne and seconded by Ralph Borst that the minutes from the January 11, 2020 be approved as presented. Carried.</i>   |                 |
| 3.0 Financial                       | <p><b>3.1 Monthly Report</b><br/>Monthly Financial Report was presented</p> <p><b>3.2 Financials as of January 31, 2020</b><br/><br/><i>Moved by Ralph Borst seconded by Morgan Moore that the MSA board having reviewed the Financial Report including bank statement, balance sheet and Profit and Loss vs Actuals as of January 31, 2020 be approved as presented. Carried.</i></p> <p><b>3.3 Transactions to Approve</b><br/><i>Moved by Simon Atkinson seconded by Bethan Lewis that the MSA Board approve the transactions reviewed &amp; approved by the Finance Committee for the month of January in the amount of \$622.30 as presented. Carried.</i></p> |                 |
| 4.0 Office Mgr.'s Report            | Verbal report offered by Lee Hurton.  |                 |
| 5.0 CSF Report                      | Verbal report offered by Morgan Moore.  |                 |
| 6.0 Committee Representatives       | <p><i><b>Predation</b></i> – MARD has announced the Predation project. MSA has agreed to support at a cost of \$2000/yr. MBP is the lead on the project. The MSA Board is awaiting further details.</p> <p><i><b>KAP</b></i>– Statement drafted by Guy &amp; Morgan was distribute to Board with the Board package. No livestock resolutions were included in AGM. Acknowledgment of burdensome carbon tax for producers was major discussion at the AGM.</p> <p><i><b>MFGA</b></i> – Sheri Bieganski will take on the role as MSA representative on this committee.</p>  |                 |

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| 7.0 Old Business | <p><i>Animal Care</i> – no update, potential to recruit new representative to this committee from the Board</p> <p><b>7.1 Protein Strategy/Processing Update</b><br/>Possibility of future feasibility study.</p> <p><b>7.2 Annual Show &amp; Sale Discussion</b><br/>Viriden and Minnedosa have been identified as possible locations. Bethan will gather more information on what is included in cost and what is available and communicate her findings via email to the Board.</p> <p><b>7.3 Manitoba Shearing School Discussion</b><br/>A number of producers have requested this offering. The Grunthal auction market is keen to work with the MSA on this, looking at early June and they have offered their facility at no charge in return for some advertising. Simon will be approaching options for instructors.</p> <p><b>7.4 Wool Packer Update</b><br/>Both units are now back at Simons. CCWG is investigating the price of a new build of a horizontal packer using the Montana State design. The damaged packer has gone in for repairs, hope to have both existing units functional by shearing time. Grunthal Auction Mart has expressed interest in housing and managing bookings for one of the Packers so that it has a consistent presence in the eastern part of the Province.</p> <p><b>7.5 2019 Symposium &amp; Workshop Final Report Update</b><br/>Final report has been completed and submitted.</p> <p><b>7.6 Ag Days 2020 Report</b><br/>Participation was successful and should be continued in future years.</p> | <p>Morgan Moore</p> <p>Bethan Lewis</p> <p>Morgan Moore/ Simon Atkinson</p> |
| 8.0 New Business | <p><b>8.1 Spring Intro to Sheep Courses</b><br/>Possibility of hosting a Spring 'Intro to Sheep' course to offer to new producers. Possibility to include the sheep team in this initiative.</p> <p><b>8.2 Anna Hunter Shearing Day Sponsorship Request</b><br/>Anna Hunter is looking for sponsorship towards her 'Shearing Day'. Consensus to offer in kind advertising on the website and in SheepSense in lieu of a monetary donation.</p> <p><b>8.3 Pembina Fibreshed Wool Grading Workshop</b><br/>Request for MSA's involvement/assistance in this workshop. Suggestion to discuss the possibility of piggybacking the Shearing School workshop to this event to manage costs. Morgan will follow up with organizers to gauge interest.</p>  | <p>Lee Hurton</p> <p>Morgan Moore</p>                                       |

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|                  | <p><b>8.4 Western Producer Article</b><br/>Bethan was approached by a Western Producer writer who wants to put together an article on where the Manitoba and Canadian Sheep industry is heading in the future. He is also looking for contact information for producers who would want to help create the article.</p> <p><b>8.5 Winter Fair</b><br/>Taking place March 31-April 4. A call for volunteers will be send out to gauge interest from producers.</p> <p><b>8.6 CSBA Director Terms</b><br/>AGM is upcoming in April. Currently the MB director on CSBA is a one-year term. Sheri would like to take the resolution forward to change the term to a 2-year term.</p> <p><b>Motion</b> to change the term length of the Manitoba representative of the Canadian Sheep Breeders Association Board of Directors from a one year to a two-year term moved by Sheri Bieganski and seconded by Guy Bouchard. <b>Carried Unanimously.</b></p> <p><b>8.7 Purchase of Wagon</b><br/>Motion to budget \$100 towards a trolley/cart to assist in the setup/take down of MSA events moved by Bethan Lewis, seconded by Wendy Church. <b>Carried.</b></p> <p>Lee will make the purchase and bring to the Winter Fair in Brandon.</p> | <p>Bethan Lewis</p> <p>Lee Hurton</p> <p>Sheri Bieganski/ Lee Hurton</p> <p>Lee Hurton</p> |
| 9.0 Next Meeting | The next meeting will be determined via doodle poll.   |  |
| 10.0 Adjournment | The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.   |  |