Manitoba Sheep Association Board Meeting Minutes Conference Call

DATE:

January 11, 2021

PRESENT: Guy Bouchard, Morgan Moore, Simon Atkinson, Ralph Borst, Bethan Lewis, (Mb Ag), Tina Shaw, Arik Lindal, Lee Hurton (Staff), Wray Whitmore, (Mb Ag) REGRETS:

ABSENT: Angela Pyrnne, Rob Berry (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
1.0 Call to Order and Agenda Review	The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.	
	Moved by Guy Bouchard and seconded by Tina Shaw that the agenda from the January 11, 2021 meeting be approved. Carried.	
2.0 Approval of Meeting Minutes	Moved by Ralph Borst and seconded by Simon Atkinson that the minutes from the December 14, 2020 be approved as presented. Carried.	
3.0 Round Table Updates	Round table updates from Board members.	
4.0 Financial	4.1 Monthly Report Monthly Financial Report was presented	
	4.2 Financials as of December 31, 2020	
	Moved by Ralph Borst seconded by Tina Shaw that the MSA board having reviewed the Financial Report including bank statement, balance sheet and Profit and Loss vs Actuals as of December 31, 2020 be approved as presented. Carried.	
5.0 Office Mgr.'s Report	Verbal report offered by Lee Hurton.	
6.0 CSF Report	Eblast was sent today promoting a survey related to the needs of the industry for ultrasound detection of pregnancy. AGM is planned for January 26 th .	
7.0 Committee Representatives	CCWG – Staff turnover has taken place recently. Opportunity to trade out a wool press currently in Manitoba for a newer model. General consensus from the Board to continue to look into this. Predation – 10% of surveys have been returned. Mitigation supplies are being purchased. KAP – Morgan will attend upcoming AGM. MFGA – AGM is upcoming. Animal Care – No report. CSBA – No Report.	
8.0 Old Business	8.1 Getting Started in Sheep Workshop	

TOPIC DECISION/ACTION RESPO

	Discussions with Gord Schroeder continue. Registration would be \$175/person + GST or \$300/couple that include the manual and 12 hours of instructors over 2 days.	Morgan Moore
	Morgan will follow up with Gord and get a couple details cleared up then report back to the Board. The Board will then be able to weigh in on the options and vote electronically.	
	8.2 Website Updates	
	Suggestion to add the Lambing Workbook supplied by Manitoba Agriculture to the website and eblast members to ensure they know the resource is available.	Lee Hurton/Morgan Moore
	Lee to get hypothermia charts from Morgan with a plan to distribute to members at some point in the future. Will be added to the website in the meantime.	
9.0 New Business	9.1 North American Lamb Company Discussions Morgan to follow up with NALC.	Morgan Moore
	9.2 2021 Budget Review of draft 2021 budget allocations. Lee will send out the budget for the Board to review and it will be included in the February agenda for approval.	Lee Hurton
	9.3 SheepSense Advertising Lee has been contacting past advertisers to determine if they are interested in continuing to advertise in 2021. Any suggestions for additional companies/organizations to contact, please send to Lee.	Lee Hurton
	9.3 Small Ruminant Industry Trans-Abdominal Pregnancy Ultrasound Survey Survey link was sent out today via eblast and on MSA website. Board is encouraged to share on their own social media channels.	
10.0 Next Meeting	The next Board meeting will be scheduled via doodle poll.	
11.0 Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.	