

Manitoba Sheep Association Board Meeting Minutes Conference Call

DATE:
January 14, 2020

PRESENT: Ralph Borst, Guy Bouchard, Sheri Bieganski, Wendy Church, Morgan Moore, Simon Atkinson, Bethan Lewis, Angela Pynne, Lee Hurton (Staff), Wray Whitmore, (Mb Ag)

REGRETS: Tracy Stykalo, Linda Fox (MB Ag)

ABSENT:

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 7:03 p.m. <i>Moved by Wendy Church and seconded by Ralph Borst that the agenda from the January 14, 2020 meeting be approved. Carried.</i>	
2.0 Approval of Meeting Minutes	<i>Moved by Ralph Borst and seconded by Bethan Lewis that the minutes from the December 5, 2019 be approved as presented. Carried.</i>	
3.0 Financial	<p>3.1 Monthly Report Monthly Financial Report was presented</p> <p>3.2 Financials as of December 31, 2019 <i>Moved by Ralph Borst seconded by Simon Atkinson that the MSA board having reviewed the Financial Report including bank statement, balance sheet and Profit and Loss vs Actuals as of December 31, 2019 be approved as presented. Carried.</i></p> <p>3.3 GIC Renewal <i>Moved by Ralph Borst seconded by Bethan Lewis that the MSA reinvest \$16,623.53 in to a 12-24M GIC be approved. Carried.</i></p>	Lee Hurton
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>Predation</i> – no update <i>KAP</i> – Verbal report provided by Guy Bouchard. KAP AGM coming up on February 4/5 in Winnipeg. <i>MFGA</i> – MFGA is requesting that the MSA become a member of the association (\$500 membership cost) in return for a sponsorship of the MSA (\$500 sponsorship). Simon will look into possibly taking over as MSA representative to the MFGA. <i>Animal Care</i> – no update</p>	

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7.0 Old Business	<p>7.1 Lambing Workshop Grant Update The grant application has been received and is being processed.</p> <p>7.2 Ag Days Planning & Update A new brochure and pull up banner have been purchased for use at the show. The schedule of Board members to be in attendance at the booth continues to be populated. Wray will assist in facilitating the delivery of the banner and brochures to Brandon.</p> <p>7.3 Show & Sale – Committee Show & Sale Committee will consist of Morgan, Sheri, Wendy, Guy & Bethan. Bethan will take the lead as point person on the committee.</p> <p>7.4 Symposium Workshop Grant Application Some information has been received from Kate. Further work is needed. Wray will provide past reports submitted for use as a template. Deadline is mid-February.</p>	
8.0 New Business	<p>8.1 2020 MSA Budget <i>Moved by Guy Bouchard seconded by Ralph Borst that the MSA 2020 Budget be approved with noted edits. Carried.</i></p> <p>8.2 2020 Sponsorship Plan Draft distributed.</p> <p><i>Moved by Simon Atkinson seconded by Angela Pynne that the MSA 2020 Sponsorship Opportunities be approved with noted edits. Carried.</i></p> <p>8.3 Production Calendar Suggestion to create a production calendar for posting on the MSA website. Request for assistance from the Sheep Team to come up with a draft calendar. Wray will attempt to complete this.</p> <p>8.4 Eastern Sheep Group Hall Rental Request for \$250 to fund meeting space.</p> <p><i>Moved by Guy Bouchard seconded by Wendy Church to approve the meeting room costs for the Eastern Sheep Hall Rental approved. Carried.</i></p> <p>8.5 Farm Products Marketing Act Discussion surrounding next steps. Need for a meeting with the new minister to introduce the MSA, discuss a non-refundable check off option, as well as inter provincial trade agreement.</p>	

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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.	