

Manitoba Sheep Association Board Meeting Minutes

Zoom

DATE:
June 29, 2020

PRESENT: Ralph Borst, Guy Bouchard, Morgan Moore, Wendy Church, Simon Atkinson, Angela Pynrne, Lee Hurton (Staff), Wray Whitmore, (Mb Ag)

REGRETS: Bethan Lewis, Tracy Stykalo, Sheri Bieganski, Rob Berry (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	<p>The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.</p> <p><i>Moved by Ralph Borst and seconded by Guy Bouchard that the agenda from the June 29, 2020 meeting be approved. Carried.</i></p>	
2.0 Approval of Meeting Minutes	<p><i>Moved by Ralph Borst and seconded by Wendy Church that the minutes from the May 21, 2020 be approved as presented. Carried.</i></p>	
3.0 Round Table Updates	<p>Updates provided by each director.</p> <p>MB Agriculture Update - Predation project is going ahead – funding has been secured. A contract employee will be hired to act as the coordinator of the project. Livestock Sustainability Initiative is available for 2020-21 and could be accessed by the MSA. The Board should brainstorm ideas for opportunities to access the gra</p>	
4.0 Financial	<p>4.1 Monthly Report Monthly Financial Report was presented</p> <p>4.2 Financials as of May 31, 2020</p> <p><i>Moved by Guy Bouchard seconded by Ralph Borst that the MSA board having reviewed the Financial Report including bank statement, balance sheet and Profit and Loss vs Actuals as of May 31, 2020 be approved as presented. Carried.</i></p> <p>4.3 Transactions to Approve <i>Moved by Guy Bouchard seconded by Morgan Moore that the MSA Board approve the transactions reviewed & approved by the Finance Committee for the month of May in the amount of \$5816.30 as presented. Carried.</i></p>	
5.0 Office Mgr.'s Report	<p>Verbal report offered by Lee Hurton.</p>	
6.0 CSF Report	<p>Push to open the issue of allowing trained technicians to detect pregnancy rather than only having veterinarians complete the procedures. CCWG will be working with each Province individually on the</p>	

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	issue. Potential to include this topic as a KAP resolution. Interprovincial trade continues to be lobbied. A meeting with Global Sheep Conference committee took place recently – remain motivated to promote sheep globally both from a consumption and environmental impact perspective.	
7.0 Committee Representatives	<p>CCWG – Spoke with Eric regarding the issue of not having emails included on sheep tag receipts. Wool marketing remains an issue. Current project to create N95 masks from sheep wool.</p> <p>Predation – Discussed within MB Agriculture report.</p> <p>KAP – Opportunity to engage with KAP on joint ventures (e.g. articles in Sheep Sense, speaker at AGM etc). KAP has requested any resolutions from MSA by Friday for consideration. Morgan will create an interim draft of a resolution and distribute the document to the Board for review and comment.</p> <p>MFGA – No report.</p> <p>Animal Care – No report.</p> <p>CSBA – No report.</p>	Morgan Moore
8.0 Old Business	<p>8.1 COVID-19 Discussion & Communications Covered within round table updates.</p> <p>8.2 Classified Animal Sales Good feedback on the addition of the classified section in the latest issue of Sheep Sense.</p> <p>8.3 Wool Packer Update Still in use in various areas of the Province. Continuous issues with cost of maintaining the packers and concern that this cost could be passed on to the MSA. Morgan will discuss the situation of the increased cost and concern of the Board with the CCWG and report back to the Board.</p> <p>8.4 Protein Strategy Update Project is still ongoing. Potential for a summit (similar to what was made in previous years) in early 2021. Wray will continue to provide information as it becomes available.</p> <p>8.5 Committee Involvement Committees were created after the AGM in November however it will need to be revisited. Deferred to next Board meeting.</p> <p>8.6 Website Maintenance Calendar of events on the MSA website need to be updated for 2020.</p>	<p>Morgan Moore</p> <p>Wray Whitmore</p> <p>Morgan Moore</p> <p>Lee Hurton</p>
9.0 New Business	<p>9.1 KAP Farm Safety Update Update provided within committee section of agenda.</p> <p>9.2 KAP Resolution Update and Call for New Morgan will draft a document with suggestions for resolutions and distribute to the Board for review.</p>	Morgan Moore

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	<p>9.3 Fall District Meeting Planning Suggestions for topics: Low stress methods of handling sheep Worming and treating of worms</p> <p>The Board will continue to brainstorm ideas.</p> <p>Simon will contact Martin to see if there is interest in collaborating.</p>	Simon Atkinson
10.0 Next Meeting	The next meeting will be a face to face meeting in person in August.	
11.0 Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 p.m.	