

Manitoba Sheep Association Board Meeting Minutes

Zoom

DATE:
May 21, 2020

PRESENT: Ralph Borst, Guy Bouchard, Sheri Bieganski, Morgan Moore, Wendy Church, Lee Hurton (Staff), Tracy Stykalo, Rob Berry (MB Ag), Wray Whitmore, (Mb Ag)

REGRETS: Bethan Lewis, Simon Atkinson, Angela Pynnne

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 7:02 p.m. <i>Moved by Ralph Borst and seconded by Guy Bouchard that the agenda from the May 21, 2020 meeting be approved. Carried.</i>	
2.0 Approval of Meeting Minutes	<i>Moved by Wendy Church and seconded by Ralph Borst that the minutes from the April 15, 2020 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 April 30, 2020 <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 April 30, 2020 be approved as presented. Carried.</i></p> <p>3.3 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 April in the amount of \$1604.40 as presented. Carried.</i></p>	
4.0 Office Mgr.'s Report	Verbal report offered by Lee Hurton.	
5.0 CSF Report	Block chain program is an ongoing effort to attempt to gain funding – a number of new applications have been sent out recently. Sheep Value Chain Round Table meetings have been cancelled as well as the Global Sheep Conference – discussion surrounding the opportunity to host the conference virtually (intention to host in person in 2021). Interprovincial trade has been a topic of late, taking opportunity to remind federal government that being able to trade interprovincially could go a long way to easing product flow. CFSa can create a work plan or contingency plan that outlines the criteria that would allow the trade to happen.	

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6.0 Committee Representatives	<p>CCWG – Issues with one packer in MB, no cost will be incurred by MSA as the packer is owned by the CCWG. The other machine, maintained by the MSA will need a tire replaced.</p> <p>Predation – Looking for a coordinator for the predation project.</p> <p>KAP – New Chief Veterinarian for the Province has been hired and attended the most recent virtual meeting.</p> <p>MFGA – No report.</p> <p>Animal Care – No report. Wray to inquire as to the status of the committee.</p> <p>CSBA – CSBA has announced an online summer ram sale I lieu of the cancelled 2020 All Canada Classic. The sale will be hosted by DLMS. More information is coming.</p>	
7.0 Old Business	<p>7.1 COVID-19 Discussion & Communications Communication via eblast was sent to producers. CSF has been rolling out information regularly. Lee will start forwarding out information that comes through the CSF to MSA members and update the website with information/links.</p> <p>7.3 Discussion/Decision on Summer Show & Sale Consensus that the 2020 Summer Show & Sale will not be offered in person. Suggestion to canvas membership to determine if producers have breeding stock available and publish the information in Sheep Sense and the website.</p> <p><i>Moved by Ralph Borst and seconded by Sheri Biegalski that the 2020 Show & Sale be cancelled. Carried.</i></p> <p>An eblast will be sent to membership to communicate the cancellation.</p> <p>7.4 Postponement on ‘Getting Started in Sheep’ Morgan has discussed the possibility of hosting the course virtually with Gord Schroeder or provide videos however it is not something he wants to pursue at this time. Morgan will follow up.</p> <p>Webinars provided by MB Ag have been emailed to members and posted on the MSA website.</p> <p>7.8 CS&L Update A meeting is attempting to be scheduled.</p> <p>7.9 Member’s Only Section Fusion quoted \$500 to create a member’s only section on the MSA website.</p>	<p>Lee Hurton</p> <p>Lee Hurton</p> <p>Morgan Moore</p> <p>Morgan Moore</p>
8.0 New Business	<p>8.1 Engagement with KAP Consensus to engage with KAP as per their email regarding the potential for partnering on sheep specific events.</p>	

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	<p>8.2 MSA Mailing Address Lee announced that she is moving as of July 15th and therefore the MSA mailing address will need to change as well. Lee will take care of the administrative side of changing the mailing address.</p>	
<p>9.0 Next Meeting</p>	<p>The next meeting will be determined via doodle poll and will be attempted via zoom.</p>	
<p>10.0 Adjournment</p>	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.</p>	