

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

New Underwood, SD

June 29, 2019 @ 1:00pm

President Deering Called the Meeting to order at 12:30

ROLL CALL:

Members present: President Gary Deering, Vice President Scott Edoff, Mike Maher, Mark DeVries, Shawn Freeland, Randy Volmer, Bill Paulton, Justin Kolb, Chance Anderson, Les Shaw, Matt Kammerer, Mark Krogman, Chuck Willard, Zeb Husted, Kenny Fox, Shane Kolb, Bob Fortune, Bill Kluck

Excused: Eric Sumption, Billy Clanton, Casy Bachand, Ty Littau, Jason Frerichs, John Karlen, Larry Nelson

Members Absent: Chance Davis, Mark Tubbs, Sandy Buffinton, David Fuoss,

Quorum Established

AGENDA – Additions and/or Approval

Moved to approve by Bob Fortune

Second by Randy Volmer

Motion Passes unanimously

Shane Kolb moved to approve the previous Board of Directors meeting minutes

Shawn Freeland Second

Motion passes Unanimously

Les Shaw moved approve the minutes from the previous Conference call meetings

Justin Kolb second

Motion Passed unanimously

Secretary's report: James Halverson Executive Director

- Currently at 1,033 members. Board members are encouraged to call expired members in their districts.

- 3,380 facebook followers

- Annual convention will be Oct. 31-Nov. 2 at Rushmore Holiday Inn in Rapid City

- Raffle has sold about \$4,900 worth of tickets through June 15.

- Board members are encouraged to get on the Raffle Calendar to get the ranger to events in their areas and sell raffle tickets.

- Summer Party has taken in about \$4,900 in sponsorship

President's report:

President Deering moved to approve Pat Trask for lifetime membership and achievement award

Second by Kenny Fox

Motion Passes Unanimously

President Deering moved to give a Legislative Thank You award to Senator Ryan Maher

Second by Scott Edoff

Motion Passes Unanimously

Gary Moved to give a Media Friend award to Tom Riter from WNAX

Second by Bob Fortune

Motion Passes Unanimously

Mike Maher moved to proceed with the NRCS grant opportunity

Second by Randy Volmer

President Deering called for a voice vote. Hearing dissension a roll call vote was held:

Maher Aye, DeVries Aye, Freeland Aye, Volmer Aye, Paulton Aye, J. Kolb Aye, Anderson Aye, Shaw Aye, Kammerer No, Krogman Aye, Willard Aye, Husted Aye, Fox No, S. Kolb Aye, Fortune Aye, Kluck No, Edoff No, Deering Aye.

Motion passes with 14 in favor, 4 opposed

President Deering gave a brief summary of his Washington DC trip

Executive Committee Report:

President Deering Moved approval of the Executive Committee report excluding the employee handbook

Bob Fortune second

Motion passes unanimously

New Business:

Budget proposal by Finance Committee Chair Bill Kluck

Mike Maher Moved to approve 2020 FY budget as presented

Second by Bob Fortune

Motion Passes unanimously

Discussion was held on the status of the office building roof. James repaired what he could. A new roof is needed within the next few years and board members should be thinking about funding sources and ideas. A historical grant has been looked into and is unlikely as the building is not classified as a historic landmark.

Kenny moved to approve new members

Second by Scott Edoff

Motion passes unanimously



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President Deering moved to go into executive session and invite Exec. Dir. and committee chairs to stay at 1:30

Kenny Fox Second

President Deering called the meeting back to order 1:40

Nominating Committee discussion and procedures were talked about

Region caucuses were held, the following persons were elected to represent their regions on the nominating committee:

Region 1 Chance Anderson

Region 2 Wayne Nelson

Region 3 Rick Fox

Committee Reports:

-Ag and Nat Res and Taxation: Shawn Freeland gave a brief report, there was a discussion on ag land tax assessments

-Animal Health: No Report

-Animal ID: Kenny Fox talked about the USDA push for EID and a discussion was held

-Brand and Theft: Discussion on Brand Board training a new investigator. There were new appointments to the brand board

-Federal Lands: JT Rickenbach gave a brief report on conditions within allotments. There was a discussion on AUM increases or decreases for allotment owners as well a NEPA updates.

-Marketing: Vaughn Meyer talked about COOL and USMCA. He also talked about the Farm Fairness Act or a revised GIPSA.

-Property Rights: JT Vig gave comments on the Liens against property owners in Meade County in March from a pipeline subcontractor.

Wildlife Management: Mark DeVries talked about the external audit of the ADC (animal damage control) programs with SD GF&P. There was a discussion of Wolf Delisting from ESA

President Deering called for a 5-minute Recess

President Deering Called the meeting back to order at 3pm

Lobbyist Report: Jeremiah M. Murphy talked about pipeline bills. The protections for counties are still in place, the riot boosting part is being challenged in court.

DOR is doing a simulation on new property tax assessment methods. No meeting has been scheduled for the Ag lands task force interim committee at this time.

Employee Handbook: Attorney Elliot Bloom went over the Employee Handbook and discussion was held

Kenny Fox moved to approve the handbook as presented
Mike Maher Second

Kenny Fox moved to withdraw his motion
Matt Kammerer second

Scott Edoff moved to go into executive session
Matt Kammerer second

President Deering Called the meeting back to order at 3:30pm

Kenny Fox Moved to approve the handbook as presented
Mike Maher second
Motion passed unanimously

President Deering Moved that all sponsors for this event be considered affiliate members if they aren't already.
Bob Fortune seconded
Motion passed unanimously

Mike Maher moved to adjourn
Chance Anderson Seconded
Motion approved

Calendar of events:

July 10-11 Governor's Ag Summit – Sioux Falls

August 15-16 R-CALF Convention – Deadwood

Sept. 21 Beef Bowl – Brookings

Oct. 31-Nov 2 128th Annual Convention and Trade Show – Rapid City Rushmore Holiday Inn