

**Saskatchewan Cattlemen’s Association**  
**Board Meeting**  
**Thursday September 22, 2022**  
**Zoom Call – 8am**

Arnold Balicki Chair (Director 9A)  
Rick Toney (Past Chair) – call in  
Kyle Hebert (Director 1)  
Roger Meyers (Director 3A)  
Keith Day (Director 3B)  
Randy Stokke (Director 4)  
Shelby Corey (Director 6)  
Joleen Shea (Director 7)  
Dean Moore (Director 9B)  
Chad Ross (Director, SCFA)  
Garret Poletz (Director, SCFA)  
Kelly Williamson (Director, SSGA)  
Jeff Yorga (Director, SSGA)

**SCA Staff:**

Granat McLellan (CEO)  
Leann Clifford (Administrator)- call in  
Glenn LaPointe (Communications)  
Christina Betker (Policy)  
Marianne Possberg (Production)

**Regrets:**

Leon Leuke (Director 8)  
Garner Deobald (Director, SSGA)  
Leigh Rosengren (Director 2)  
Levi Hull (Director 5)

Arnold Balicki called the meeting to order at 8:05 am

**1.0 Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION 2022-83: Day/Poletz**

**“To accept the agenda as amended”**

**Motion Carried**

**1.01 Review of Minutes**

**August 25, 2022, Minutes**

**MOTION 2022-084: Shea / Poletz**

**“To accept the August 25, 2022, minutes as presented.”**

**Motion Carried**

## 1.02 Chair Report

- Attended MP tours
- Hosted MLA meetings, with Premier Moe and Minister Marit as guests.
- Announced the loan forgiveness program for Vet students, Arnolds local PA vet was present as well which was a valuable conversation
- Attended a call with CCIA regarding SCA's seat at the table.
- Attended several calls regarding the CEO transition
- Call with Brent Brooks, LMS regarding the shortage of drivers for livestock hauling.
- Attended VBP+ meeting with National VBP+

### MOTION 2022-085: Balicki / Day

**"To accept the Chair Report as presented."**

**Motion Carried**

## 1.03 CEO Report

- Getting settled in
- Have had the opportunity to sit in o number of meetings with board and staff.

### MOTION 2022-086: Corey / Hebert

**"To accept the CEO report as presented."**

**Motion Carried**

## 1.04 Financial Report

- Reviewed the balance sheet and profit/loss.

### MOTION 2022-087: Hebert / Meyers

**"To accept the Financial Report as presented."**

**Motion Carried**

## 1.05 Governance

Democracy, good governance, and modernity cannot be imported or imposed from outside

## New Business

### Drought Conversation

- Do we cull our way out? The expense to keep and retain can become overwhelming- is this good BRM?
- Tax deferral – breeding age tax exempt to cull then buy back. Now paying tax on a smaller herd as one has to cull, with no money to rebuild.
- A) Cull now – B) tax deferral – C) rebuild in the next years - sell low, buy high – need a ¾ year span to buy back due to spike in buy back prices, pastures are beaten down and need moisture, can take years to retain enough surface moisture to become viable.
- Word exemption vs deferral
- What happens if your pastures are in the drought, but the government has not declared our area as a drought relief area? You have culled but are not eligible for the tax deferral?
- Satellite imagery available at the fed level but needs provincial buy in. is this something SCA could investigate – get crop insurance on board?

- Land conversions happening as grains have a leg up in insurance. There are gaps between grains vs forage insurance, therefore people moving to cultivated lands

### **OutReach Meeting Update**

- Went through the different meetings
- Rainfall insurance / grasshoppers
- Vet – lack of vets/ concerned about the condition of calves in the following year/ poor water quality/ nutrient deficient copper.
- Access to labour and its shortfalls
- Cost of Production insurance is this an area for SCA to investigate. Risk vs margin of production. Can we build an insurance for us? Unforeseen incidents – weather / drought
- Build a program or advance programs already there. Need a stability, instead of always running to the table when a disaster happens.
- Put together a working group to see if this a viable ask. Need ideas/ suggestions in hand before we move to the government conversations.
- Does Quebec/ Ontario have Cost of Production Insurance? Can this be mirrored in Sask?
- Packers Influences on pricing- unfair practices. Market manipulations.
- Packers just paid out a settlement for Pork? What was this about?
- Programs have penalties for the smaller operations, not accessible.

### **CAP Funding Input**

- Is there anything else SCA would like to put forward for the meeting coming up?
- Discussion on Water, FRWIP, Program Accessibility.

### **Fall District Meeting**

- Went through schedule and updated everyone on the speakers etc.

### **External Calls**

#### **NCFA- Will Lowe**

- Have a new comms person – Gena Devalin, Nathan Finley – new CCA rep is from out east and replaces Bob Lowe
- On the look out for a new Vice Pres as Casey has left.

#### **YCC - Scott Gebhardt**

- Gave an update and asked for SCA direction on his role on the SCA board.

#### **CCA – Ryan Beierbach**

#### **SSGA – Jeff Yorga**

- Study has been completed and is ready for viewing. Will call SCA to be a part of that

**Calendar Sync**

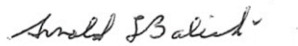
- Went through the coming events.

**In Camera**

**Adjourn 11:21pm**

**MOTION 2022-088: Rosengren  
"To adjourn."**

**Motion Carried**



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Board Chair – Arnold Balicki

\_\_\_\_ Leann Clifford \_\_\_\_ - Recording Secretary

Date approved September 22, 2022