

**Saskatchewan Cattlemen’s Association
Board Meeting
March 15, 2023
The Atlas Hotel, Regina, SK – 8am**

Keith Day Chair (Director 3B)
Arnold Balicki Past Chair (Director 9A) – zoom
Kyle Hebert (Director 1)
Roger Meyers (Director 3A)
Randy Stokke (Director 4) - virtual
Levi Hull (Director 5)
Shelby Corey (Director 6) – Zoom – 1/2
Joleen Shea (Director 7)
Leon Leuke (Director 8)
Dean Moore (Director 9B)
Chad Ross (Director, SCFA)
Jeff Yorga (Director, SSGA) – virtual
Scott Gerbrandt (YCC)

SCA Staff:

Grant McLellan (CEO)
Leann Clifford (Administrator)
Christina Betker (Policy)
Marianne Possberg (Production)

Regrets:

Wade Beck (Director 2)
Roger Meyers (Director 3A)
Garret Poletz (Director, SCFA)
Kelly Williamson (Director, SSGA)
commJulie Mortenson (CYC CBA)

Keith Day called the meeting to order at 8:00 am
Introductions

1.0 Approval of Agenda

MOTION 2023-022: Meyers / Shea
“To accept the agenda as presented”

Motion Carried

1.01 Review of Minutes

**January Reorganizational meeting – January 26, 2023
February 9, 2023**

MOTION 2023-023: Ross / Hull

“To accept the January Reorganizational meeting – January 26, 2023, and the February 9, 2023 minutes as presented.”

Motion Carried

1.02 Chair Report

- Went through the report.
- Rick Toney will stay on the Hal of Fame committee and there is room for another from SCA.
- Contacted by Sarah Allen, the chairperson from the SVMA. There are openings on the professional conduct committee and the discipline committee at SVMA and would encourage SCA to recommend producers.
- Discussed the Research forum that took place on March 2.

MOTION 2023-024: Hebert / Hull

“To accept the Chair Report as presented.”

Motion Carried

1.03 CEO Report

- Attended Sask chambers Food, Fuel and Fertilizer summit in Saskatoon. Drove home the message that we talk about frequency, which is that Saskatchewan has what the world needs when it comes to Agriculture and food. Great speakers Tim Gitzel of Cameco and Murad Al Katib of AGT foods.
- Attended a presentation by AHEM to discuss some of the things we might do as an organization if we faced a highly contagious disease. CFIA and Ministry were in attendance. Reaffirmed our producers needs whom may not have a disease in their herd, but would be affected by a market disruption.
- Have had good media coverage on a couple of priority issues , including joint news release with SARM and Stock Growers regarding support for the livestock sector , and the importance of the beef industry to the Saskatchewan economy.
- Brought forth the urgency of the Irrigation Expansion project.
- Held a town hall meeting in Humboldt. It was well attended and great feedback.
- Beef and Forage Research Forum was well attended.
- Staff attended the Alberta Beef Industry Conference in Banff.
- Trucking Regulations are a hot topic and to be put forward at the CCA AGM
- MLA Reception last night – a great opportunity to network and ensure that they are hearing us.

MOTION 2023-025: Stokke / Lueke

“To accept the Past Chair report as represented.”

Motion Carried

1.04 Financial Report

- Reviewed the balance sheet and profit/loss.

MOTION 2023-026: Hebert / Moore

“To accept the Financial Report as presented.”

Motion Carried

New Business

Ag Hall of Fame

- Rick Toney to remain SCA's representative on the Hall of Fame Committee, Ask Jocelyn Poletz if she would like to be SCA's second name.

CCA AGM Topics

- Trucking Regulations
 - Issues are for small companies, independent drivers, livestock truckers.
 - Has there been any discussion with the other livestock groups on the impacts? Are they sharing the same concerns?
 - Will check and see how potentially the level of service/availability can be affected.
 - Province is looking to do soft enforcement.
 - Its an animal welfare issue to animals standing in some of the holding areas. Cattle also lose \$.05/day. Issues with disease prevention, is there too much mixing? Can they get sick in a lot if they stand too long?
 - There is an infrastructure problem for truckers to stop and rest to meet these demands
 - Request for flexibility, potential harmonization of regs with US standards on livestock trucking, removal of CFIA regulations.
- Anti-Competition Review
 - Can we push harder on that position and provide SCA reps with our policy positions?
- Push back on ESGs , ENV stance
 - Revisit LPI stance on cost – sharing(if your on AgriStability, you would get cost-shared coverage clawed). Send this to committee for further discussion if SCA should change position.
- Push for greater focus on renewed opposition to carbon tax agriculture sector. Can we get SARM to push harder as well? Push CCA to commission a study on the impact of the Carbon Tax.

LSS LETTER

- Letter from SCA will support in general an investigation into the possibility of LSS setting it's own fees, or potentially having the fees established through regulation. We do not support an increase to the fee at this time.

SVMA

MOTION 2023-027: Hull/Ross

“That SCA out forth Arnold Balicki’s name for the Professional Conduct Committee and Leon Lueke’s name for the Discipline Committee with SVMA.”

Motion Carried

Provincial Allocation Request for National Beef Check-off

MOTION 2023-028: Ross / Shea

“That SCA’s allocations to the National Beef Check-off remain the same as previous year – 60% research / 35% marketing / 5% Public & Stakeholders engagement”.

Motion Carried

Old Business

Board Meetings

- Look for alternative venues and cost reducing locations.

Committee Goals for Upcoming Year

- Deferred to next meeting.
- Committees to have had their meetings with specific goals for the year.

CCIA Letter

- Follow up on the SCA’s CCIA letter of membership.
- See if Pat Hayes is interested in being SCA’s rep on the CCIA Board.

LPI Working Group

MOTION 2023-029: Hebert / Lueke

“That the SCA CEO be appointed to the LPI working group.”

Motion Carried

External Reports

Scott Gerbrant _ CCA Youth

Ryan Beierbach -CCA

RoundTable

- Follow up on CFIA report
- AGT is drilling a well to get water to make organic fertilizer from pulse screenings. Concerned about the diversion of feed from livestock producers.
- Concerns about communications
- Good feedback on town hall meetings
- Good work on relationship with Stock Growers, can we talk to SCIC on how to do a better job of covering grazing corn crops.
- Nominate Murray McGillivray for the Ag Hall of Fame
- LPI
- SCA to reach out to Todd Goudy and Dana Skoropad
- Concerns about FMD
- Ask CA to help support some reduction in red tape for vets

Calendar Overview

In Camera

Adjourn

MOTION 2023-030: Hull

4:04pm

“To adjourn.”

Motion Carried

Board Chair – Keith Day

____Leann Clifford__ - _Recording Secretary

Date approved