

**Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association
Board Meeting
Tuesday July 26,2016
Travelodge, Regina SK**

Attendance:

Ryan Beierbach, Chair (Director, District 1)
Paula Larson (Director, District 7)
Arnold Balicki (Director, District 9A)
Lloyd Thompson (Director, SSGA)
Harold Martens (Director, SSGA)
Garret Hill (Director, District 6)
Rick Toney (Director, District 4)
Philip Lynn (Director, District 2)
Michael Spratt (Director, District 8)
Laurie Disney (Director, District 3A)
Chad Ross (SCFA)
Bill Jameson, Past Chair (Director, SCFA)

SCA Staff:

Ryder Lee (CEO)
Scott Sakatch – (Communications)
Leann Clifford – (Executive Administrator)
Marianne Possberg – (Production)
Christina Patterson – (Policy)

Regrets:

Larry Grant (Director, District 3B)
Levi Hull (Director, District 5)
Dean Moore (Director, District 9B)
Brad Welter (Director, SCFA)

Ryan Beierbach called the meeting to order at 8:07am

1.00 Approval of Agenda

MOTION 2016-98: Disney/Jameson

“To accept the agenda as presented”

Motion carried

1.01 Review of Minutes*

June 20, 2016

Leann reviewed the minutes.

MOTION 2016-99: Larson/Spratt

“To accept the June 20, 2016 minutes as amended.”

Motion carried

1.02 Chair Report

- Beierbach read his report,
- BCRC planning workshop
- PNWER meeting was a success. There was better discussion. A lot of talk of improving flow across the border.

MOTION 2016-100: Beierbach/Hill

“To accept the Chair report as presented.”

Motion Carried

1.03 Policy Report

- Next policy Framework – 5 areas
- Market and trade pretty straight forward
- Two most worrisome: environment and climate change – very broad statements and hard to find what they are trying to achieve.
- Briefing session on land revaluation and tax policy – municipal tax and rural tax. Revaluation of land will be 108% and 119% values. Changes to residential and commercial values will impact things as well. Not necessarily change to tax. They are looking to change things to mitigate the increase in ag land values, both arable and non-arable. Will be in place for 2017.
- There has been talk on carbon tax, but what about carbon credits
- Talk on road tax back on diesel fuel – 12 cents / L.

MOTION 2016- 101: Jameson/Disney

“ To accept the policy report as presented.”

Motion Carried

1.04 CEO Report

- Lee presented the written report.
- Need to stay in touch with Sask Wildlife.
- RCMP and LSS talking – discussion on what is happening between the two.

MOTION 2016-102: Balicki/Toney

“That the board members bring any information on thefts to staff for escalation with RCMP and Justice.”

Motion Carried

- RCMP should be endorsing rural crime watch. Arnold is the president for Shellbrook area and sees value.

MOTION 2016 – 103: Martens/Hill

“To accept the CEO report as presented.”

Motion Carried

1.05 Audit and Finance

- Lynn presented the Audit and Finance Committee report.
- Sean MacKenzie participated in the review of the investment portion

MOTION 2016-104: Lynn/Disney

“To accept the Financial Report as presented.”

Motion Carried

SBIDF Funding – AITC

- Discussion on funding proposal.

MOTION 2016-105: Martens/ Disney

“ That SCA fund AITC for 2016 in the amount of \$25,000.00.”

Motion Carried

10am – Jack Hextall

- NCO increase all but ON and QC have approved the increase.
- QC will not increase. They will repurpose their already higher NCO.
- There is strong support in ON. Meeting was held in April with BFO,OCFA, OCFB, Agency and CBI from that meeting came: some agreements in place, includes claw back
- Deal with OCFB
- More small/independent meat processors get CB support.
- Shortly after there was a change and they want different things in the agreement with the Agency. Melinda hopes to have those out by July.
- Agency agreements deal with interprovincial trade.
- Each province will have some tweaks on the template to fit regulations.
- Increase in ON, the cattle feeders do not support an increase and BFO is worried.
- Resolutions: the one SCA put forward will be difficult to do. Importer/exporters are hammering the government on the bylaws. They feel they are being excluded and we are on the path to pushing them to the side and they will not have any input.
- NCOA has come a long way. Melinda is doing a great job.
- Marketing guys are doing a good job.
- Agency needs most if anything – support.
- Just need time for the changes to work and confidence to return.
- For GF3 national funding dollars, need to be available for domestic programs, of global strategies.

2.0 New Business

a) Budget 2016/2017

- Discussion

MOTION 2016-106:Disney/ Balicki

“To approve the proposed 2016-17 Budget.”

Motion Carried

- b) BVD issues
 - Vaccination can help
 - Make sure people are aware of the program. If you always test your dead ones you are likely to help. Using live or modified vaccine? Unknown
 - Get information out. Get people to follow it.

- c) YCC
 - No objection to shifting Shane into our spot and building toward an election for next year at our January meeting.

1:00pm External Call In

Reg Schellenberg

- CCA, VBP+, FLAT meeting.
- CBIC is upcoming
- Semi annual for CCA.
- Lots of discussion at CCA from Animal Care perspective is proposed regulation changes for imports into Canada.
- CCIA summit coming Nov 2/3 in Calgary. They have a \$20k sponsor.
- Keeping CIP front and centre not wavering.
- International Rangeland Congress was held in Saskatoon.
- The Schellenberg ranch hosted a large international contingent.
- Where are the regulations on antimicrobials coming from? Right down from Health Canada. In the US, ionophores are not classed as an antibiotic but are in Canada? Any talk on making these things the same? Big difference if marketing free from but can use different things on either side of the border. Reg will check into this.

Duane Thompson

- Duane is now on the Audit, Domestic Ag and Foreign Trade committees. MNP will be doing their audit and Cathy Sharp still chairs.
- Domestic Ag has a conference call on Thursday leading to Calgary and Environment and Foreign Trade have been quiet thus far.
- Duane passed thanks on about the International Rangeland Congress support. He did a presentation, is hosting an Australian researcher and will have another guest soon. Very well organized.
- Congress was mostly researchers. Over 400 from 48 countries, 550 attendees.

Ryan Thompson

- E- Certification – online survey – encourage everyone to take the 5 mins to complete.
- Meeting coming up with Dr. Archibald from CFIA. Animal welfare and flow at ports is important.
- Met with CCA and Packers and Vets re: VBP+ and FLAT and what packers and retail need out of enhanced VBP and how it fits with FLAT.

- Transportation and moving cattle to ON. There is going to be a strong stress by moving down from 48 hrs. That needs to be the mindset of CFIA. Carbon tax, likely 5-8 cents/litre of fuel would be pretty sufficient. Reg will take up the CFIA/CCIA/ traceability punishment with Kelly Deck.
- Reg- do people want to maintain the BRM levels? Any recommendations or suggestions for resolutions, they are happy to take forward.

6.0 Committee Reports

a) Communications:

- Scott presented the communications report as written.
- Talked about 360 video. Not a good one to sell VBP+ to producers. Good for consumers. Look into it some more.
- Run a regular video at producer shows?
- Need to give consumers the right message that we are doing things right.

MOTION 2016-107: Larson/Hill

“To accept the communications report as presented.”

Motion Carried

b) Environment:

- CRSB Webinar
- GHG and Sask Ag Ministry meeting August 04 next step.
- Holos needs work.
- Marianne wants to invite Holos before the SCA board > it would be a tool to show improvements in GHG to help go with policies and BMP's, to measure rewardable things.
- Baler twine, net wrap cannot be burned and landfills won't take it
- Moving food production away from Canada is negative.
- Carbon tax in a Canadian context is not revenue neutral.

MOTION 2016-108: Martens/Balicki

“To accept the environment report as presented.”

Motion Carried

d) Research:

- MB was interested in funding the two that the committee did not have an interest in, and not interested in the other two proposals.
- We stipulated we would match an increase up to \$10k on the Micheels project.
- There are a lot of decision making tools that are underutilized.
- ON will not fund. We may lose the WCCCS, better to put our funds to that.

MOTION 2016-109: Spratt/Hill

“That SCA fund the project “Factors affecting the adoption and exploitation of data management systems in the Canadian beef industry” for up to \$10,000.00.”

Motion Carried

MOTION 2016-110: Spratt/Disney

“That SCA continue to support the Saskatchewan Forage Network.”

Motion Carried

- The forage testing piece was not discussed.

MOTION 2016-111: Spratt/Hill
"To accept the Research report as presented."

Motion Carried

MOTION 2016-112: Beierbach/Larson
"To adjourn."

Motion carried

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light gray rectangular background. The signature reads "Ryan Beierbach" in a cursive script.

Board Chair – Ryan Beierbach

Recording Secretary – Leann Clifford

Date approved