

**Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee meeting
January 18, 2016 at 12:00 pm
Fantasyland Hotel, Edmonton, AB**

In attendance:

Patrick Gordeyko, Chair and Northeast Representative
Trent Keller, President, AAAF
Elden Kozak, Secretary and 1st Vice President, AAAF
Sebastien Dutrisac, 2nd Vice President, AAAF
Lloyd Giebelhaus, Northwest Representative
Steve Wikkerink, South Representative
Corey Beck, Peace Representative
Soren Odegard, AAMD&C Representative
Phillip Massier, Alternate, Central Region
David Melenka, Alternate, Northeast Region
Doug Dallyn, Alternate, Peace Region
Steve Majek, Secretary-Treasurer, AAAF
Al Kemmere, President, AAMD&C
Carolyn Kolebaba, Vice-President, AAMD&C
Doug Macaulay, Acting ASB Program Manager, Agriculture and Forestry Representative
Pam Retzloff, Recording Secretary, Agriculture and Forestry

Call to Order

Pat called the meeting to order at 12:10 pm and introductions were done around the table.

Adoption of Agenda

Phillip made a motion to adopt the agenda – CARRIED

Adoption of Minutes

Lloyd moved to adopt the minutes from the January 7, 2016 conference call - CARRIED

New Business

Funding Options for Administrative assistant

Pat gave an update on the funding for the new position and options for receiving the money. Steve Majek advised that the best way to go was to hire on a contract basis and that the AAAF could handle the money. The consensus with the Committee was to proceed with this scenario. It was also agreed that a resolution would be put together and Pat would present it to the delegates at the conference and have them vote on whether to proceed with this.

ACTION ITEM: Doug Macaulay to put together a contract.

Job description

The Committee went through a job description that Trent had put together to clarify what the duties for the new position would be. Corey made a motion to move forward on the position – CARRIED.

Update

At this point in the meeting Al Kemmere gave an update on Bill 6 consultations, Carbon Tax and Bill 202.

Delegation

A presentation was done by Tim Emmett and Don Zimmer, Safety Consultants, on Bill 6 and the impact of new legislation for employers and employees.

Emergent Resolutions

The Committee discussed the Emergent Resolution – Bill 6: Enhanced Protection of Farm and Ranch Workers. It was deemed to be emergent by the Committee and would be number ER1-16. Steve Wikkerink made a motion that this be accepted as an Emergent Resolution – CARRIED.

Seating Order

Pat advised the Committee of the seating order for the resolution session during the Provincial Conference and who would read each resolution.

Review Regional and Provincial Rules of Procedure

There were no changes to be made by the Committee. This would also go to the delegates at the conference for any changes they may have.

Terms of Reference

Pam provided a copy of the Terms of Reference for the Provincial Committee and each of the members of the Committee signed them. It was decided that the Committee will discuss the Terms of Reference at the next meeting as to whether they need to be signed each year or just update the names of the Committee members as changes occur.

Meeting with Minister

A discussion took place on discussion topics for the meeting with Minister Carlier, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry. It was agreed that the main focus should be on Bill 6. Pat would open the meeting by thanking the Minister for the work done on Resolution 7-15: Prevention of the introduction of Zebra and Quagga Mussels into Alberta water bodies. Corey would address Resolution 9-15: Elk Quota Hunt, Resolution 10-15: Alberta Fish and Wildlife Officer Availability and Resolution 11-15: Wildlife Predator Compensation for Domestic Equine loss. If time permitted Lloyd would address Resolution 1-15: Adapt Crop Insurance to Protect Clubroot Tolerant Varieties, Resolution 2-15: Pest Control Act – Clubroot, and Resolution 3-15: Standardized Clubroot Inspection Procedure.

Corey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 pm - CARRIED