Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee meeting Shaw Conference Centre November 14, 2016 at 1:00 pm

In attendance:

Patrick Gordeyko, Chair and Northeast Representative
Trent Keller, President, AAAF
Elden Kozak, Secretary and AAAF 1st Vice President
Corey Beck, Peace Representative
Jim Duncan, Central Representative
Lloyd Giebelhaus, Northwest Representative
Steve Wikkerink, South Representative
Doug Dallyn, Alternate Peace Representative
Soren Odegard, AAMD&C Representative
Maureen Vadnais, Executive Assistant, ASB Provincial Committee
Murray Greer, Director, AF Representative
Pam Retzloff, Recording Secretary, AF

Call to Order

Pat called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm

Adoption of Agenda

Two additions were made to the agenda. (1) Signage for producers and (2) Tuberculosis in cattle. Steve made a motion to adopt the agenda – CARRIED

Adoption of Minutes

Jim made a motion to adopt the minutes from the October 7, 2016 conference call – CARRIED

Organizational meeting

Maureen called for nominations for the role of Chair for the Provincial Committee. Lloyd nominated Pat Gordeyko and Pat accepted the nomination. Maureen asked if there were any further nominations and seeing none Jim moved that nominations cease. Pat was elected as the Chair for the Provincial Committee.

Maureen turned the meeting back over to Pat. Pat asked for nominations for the role of Vice Chair and Jim nominated Lloyd and Lloyd accepted the nomination. Steve moved nominations cease. Lloyd was elected as the Vice Chair for the Provincial Committee.

Appointments were made to the following committees:

Clubroot Action Committee – motion made by Lloyd to appoint Corey – CARRIED Fusarium Action Committee – motion made by Jim to appoint Steve – CARRIED Alberta Game Management Advisory Group – motion made by Steve to appoint Jim – CARRIED

Alberta Weed Advisory Committee – motion made by Corey to appoint Jim – CARRIED Alberta Farm Plan Partnership – motion made by Corey to appoint Pat – CARRIED Agricultural Plastics Committee – motion made by Lloyd to appoint Pat – CARRIED

Herbicide Acreage Owners Pilot Program – motion made by Steve to appoint Jim – CARRIED

Discussion Items

a. ASB Grant Program Application

Maureen advised that Doug asked that this item be added to the agenda to make ASBs aware of the need to focus on social license and climate change when applying for the Environmental Funding portion of the ASB grant.

b. Terms of Reference

Maureen advised that she had reviewed the Terms of Reference for the Provincial Committee and identified several sections that needed to be updated or amended. She will make the changes that are required. A discussion took place on whether the Chair and Vice Chair should be elected annually as it is done now or do this every second year. The Committee agreed to leave it as is and appoint the Chair and Vice Chair annually. Jim made a motion to accept the changes to the Terms of Reference - CARRIED

c. Rules of Procedure

I. Provincial Rules of Procedure

Maureen identified an addition that should be included in Section 1(b) of the Provincial Rules of Procedure. This addition would state "Representatives are elected every other year and serve a two year term." The Committee agreed that his would be presented at the Provincial Conference in January as a housekeeping issue.

II. Regional Rules of Procedure

Corey advised the Committee of a motion that was brought up at the Peace Regional Conference on November 9, 2016 stating that there should only be 2 voting delegates at the Peace regional meeting. Corey moved that the Committee ratify the Peace region to have two voting members – CARRIED.

Corey also discussed a proposed amendment to Section 3 of the rules of procedure regarding the submission of late resolutions to the Regional meetings. The Committee discussed the merits of resolutions brought forward from the floor of a regional meeting and it was decided to present the proposed amendment to the assembly at the Provincial Conference for debate and ratification as this is something that would affect all regions.

d. Curriculum Consultation

Maureen talked about the ongoing curriculum review being done by the Province and also advised that there was a survey available on line for those interested in filling it out. Corey advised that he has sent a letter to the Minister of Education asking that the agriculture curriculum be updated. It was noted that the Peace

Region and the South Region have both passed a resolution on this at their regional conferences.

e. Meeting with AAMD&C

In preparation for the meeting with AAMD&C the Committee discussed the briefing note that Maureen had prepared for the meeting.

f. Signage for Producers

Corey asked the Committee members if any of them had been asked if there was any signage available for producers to warn people to stay off their land as some of the crops are still in the field. None of the other members had received any requests for this. Several of the northeast ASBs have already made up signs so Elden and Maureen will work together to provide the members with a copy of the signs from the northeast region and other information.

g. Bovine Tuberculosis

Steve spoke to this issue regarding the recent find of a cow in Southern Alberta with Bovine Tuberculosis. He advised that most of what the media is reporting is completely false. Eldon gave the Committee an update on a conference call he was part of with the Provincial Veterinarian.

Next Meeting

Maureen will send out a Doodle Poll to get dates for a conference call to be held in December.

Lloyd made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:55 pm