



Agriculture Service Board Provincial Committee
3602 - 48th Avenue, Athabasca, Alberta T9S 1M8

Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee Meeting Minutes

12pm, March 16th 2015

Shaw Conference Center

SCC Boardroom (Pedway Level)

In attendance:

Patrick Gordeyko, Chair and Northeast Representative
Trent Keller, Secretary and AAAF 1st Vice President
Cory Beck, Peace Representative
Lloyd Giebelhaus, Northwest Representative
Steve Wikkerink, South Representative
Phillip Massier
Soren Odegard, AAMD&C Representative
Maureen Vadnais, ASB Program Manager, ARD Representative
Pam Retzloff, Recording Secretary, ARD

- **Call to Order**

Pat called the meeting to order at 12:09 pm.

- **Adoption of Agenda**

Steve Wikkerink made motion to adopt the agenda.

- **Adoption of Minutes (Jan 20th, 23rd)**

It was noted that Doug Dallyn was not at the Jan 20th meeting and the minutes are to reflect that.

Lloyd made motion to adopt the minutes from the Jan 20th meeting.

Cory Beck made motion to adopt the minutes from the Jan 23rd meeting.

- **Old Business**

1. Review meeting with Ministers Jan 20th / AAMD&C –Jan 23rd

Short discussion took place, comments that it was beneficial to have both ministers at the meeting and that the meeting went well. The committee felt that they were heard and there concerns are taken seriously.

2. ARD's Role on the ASB Committee.

Pat stated that Lloyd and he had met with Jason Kripps and that Jason would like John Brown to Act on Joanne's behalf. Discussion was held on the proposed points on how ARD would support the ASB committee and what ARD proposes that Maureen be involved with on the

committee and what would be out of scope. A document was provided as reference to these points by Pat.

Alternative options were discussed by the committee and the possibility of a part time secretary was discussed. The discussion involved funding and how this position would be supported and managed. The possibility of the money coming from the ASB grant and what some municipalities would be able to afford was discussed and who would look after the employment of the secretary. The possibility of a AAAF member or retired AAAF in this role was discussed. The concern for quality and consistency of the ASB committee was talked about.

Suggestions for Allocation of Work on the ASB committee were presented by Maureen. A document was handed out as reference. Concerns of how this may affect the committee in the long run, with elections and new members having to be retrained.

ADM John Brown joined the meeting at 1:17pm.

Pat stated to John that with the changes that ARD requested in regards to Maureen's role, that funding to the Committee for a part time position would be appreciated. John mentioned that he hoped that was possible. He was concerned that Maureen is being taken away from the program work. He also would like the messenger to the government to be an executive director or ADM. Pat voiced concerns about communication and information flow when dealing with another level. John asked about Maureen's role and how it had evolved. There was a request that Maureen be able to attend meetings as a resource and that a line be drawn there. John asked that a proposal be drafted for the funding. John then left the meeting. More discussion was held on the possibility of AAAF involvement, the need for continuity, technical support and consistency on the committee. Maureen's administration role will need to be eliminated. The wages and funding request was discussed.

Steve Wikkerink made a motion that the committee draft a letter of proposal to ARD that outlines/defines the part time secretarial position on the committee and makes a request for funding to cover a .3 position at \$35,000 per year.

- **New Business**

1. Final review of Terms of Reference and sign

Discussion was held on the changes to the TOR and if they need to send out to all the municipalities to review, after further discussion it was felt that most if not all municipalities would have seen the document. It was also stated that the TOR was a committee document and should be dealt with in house.

Lloyd Giebelhaus made motion to approve the TOR and members signed the document.

2. Resolutions letters, (sent to appropriate Government agencies).

Resolution Letters were discussed, it was questioned why Bob Barss received a letter on Resolution #12 Ag Plastics Recycling. Steve spoke about the responses that they received from there regional resolution and gave an explanation of the Elk numbers and tags allocated and filled. The importance of having regional resolution response meetings was discussed and Maureen asked that she be informed of the meetings and would like to attend them. The

Ag Fieldmen and ASB Chair normally attend the meeting but it is not limited to that, and the meeting should be held before the meeting with the minister in July (or summer meeting).

3. Proposed Fusarium Survey for 2015-2017

It was discussed that the Fusarium Action Committee want information in order to determine commonly found and not commonly found areas within the province in regards to fusarium. Maureen asked the regions to support the survey, most of the fieldmen do the survey already and it is 2% of the acreage that is requested. A map will be produced and this if felt to be more accurate that what the labs have been able to produce.

4. Contacting DM Werry with ESRD (re: Wildlife Predator Working Group).

Lloyd made a motion that Jim Duncan would be the ASB committee's member on the Wildlife Predator Working Group. Cory Beck will be the alternate.

- **Meeting with Minister**

1. Meeting with Minister Olson (July 27th to 29th), discussion topics?
Waiting to confirm the date, it depends on the possible election.

- **Delegations**

1. John Brown (ADM)
See prior discussion under old business.

- **Information Items**

Items were reviewed and discussed

- **Next Meeting**

TBA (July 27th -29th possible dates)

- **Adjournment**

Steve made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 235pm