



**Minutes of the Meeting Held December 15, 2011  
Embassy Suites, Lincoln, Nebraska**

**AGENDA:**

Attached is the agenda for this meeting, held **December 15, 2011**. Following are motions and formal decisions made by the Board during this meeting:

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Alan Tiemann, Chairman  
Tim Scheer  
David Nielsen  
Jon Holzfaster  
Dennis Gengenbach  
David Merrell  
Curt Friesen  
Mark Jagels

**EX-OFFICIOS PRESENT:**

Carl Sousek, NeCGA  
Jeff Noel, UNL

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Kelly Brunkhorst  
Kelsey Pope  
Don Hutchens  
Janet Miller  
Kim Clark  
Lance Atwater

**Visitors:**

Dan Duncan, UNL  
Paul Johnston, NE Farm Bureau

Jamie Linn, Husker Sports Network

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The NCB meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. by Alan Tiemann, Chairman. Tiemann announced that the notice of the meeting was given and published in compliance with the Open Meetings Law and that the meeting would be conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law, a copy of which was available for public inspection and review during the meeting.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the minutes as presented.  
*A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.*

#### FISCAL REPORT

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the fiscal reports for November 2011.  
*A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.*

#### COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

- ▶ A motion was made to adopt the Communications Committee Policies as presented.  
*A roll call was taken:*  
*Aye: Holzfaster, Jagels, Nielsen, Merrell, Tiemann, Gengenbach, Scheer, Friesen*  
*Nay: none*  
*Absent: Dickey*  
*By a vote of 8 ayes, no nays, motion carried.*
- ▶ A motion was made to approve the RFP process for the Communications Committee as presented.  
*A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.*

#### SECOND-TIME FUNDING MOTIONS

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the request from the UNL Foundation for the UNL Ruminant Fund in the amount of \$7,500, out of general unobligated funds.  
*A roll call was taken:*  
*Aye: Holzfaster, Jagels, Nielsen, Merrell, Tiemann, Gengenbach, Scheer, Friesen*  
*Nay: none*  
*Absent: Dickey*  
*By a vote of 8 ayes, no nays, motion carried.*
- ▶ A motion was made to approve the request from Husker Sports Network in the amount of \$68,025 (\$59,637, plus 2 bowl games) for the 2012 Football Season and \$3,750 for the Ag Day made available if the Ethanol Board participates in the joint effort. If any tickets are made available to the Board, the tickets will be make public in an promotional capacity. *A roll call was taken:*  
*Aye: Holzfaster, Jagels, Nielsen, Merrell, Tiemann, Gengenbach, Friesen*  
*Nay: Scheer*  
*Absent: Dickey*  
*By a vote of 7 ayes, 1 nay, motion carried.*

#### CORN CONGRESS DELEGATES

- ▶ A motion was made to maintain a minimum of four delegates for the NCGA Corn Congress.  
*A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.*

#### INTERN PROGRAM

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the new intern program (comparable to the NCGA WDC intern) for the USMEF and USGC. The Board will provide \$4,000, plus the cost of a plane ticket to WDC and Denver, out of general unobligated funds.  
*A roll call was taken:*  
*Aye: Holzfaster, Jagels, Nielsen, Merrell, Tiemann, Gengenbach, Scheer, Friesen*  
*Nay: none*  
*Absent: Dickey*  
*By a vote of 8 ayes, no nays, motion carried.*

#### PROMOTIONAL TRAILER

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the purchase of a cargo trailer, up to \$6,000 out of general unobligated funds.  
*Aye: Holzfaster, Jagels, Nielsen, Merrell, Tiemann, Gengenbach, Scheer, Friesen*  
*Nay: none*  
*Absent: Dickey*  
*By a vote of 8 ayes, no nays, motion carried.*

#### COMMUNICATIONS POLICY

- ▶ A motion was approve the following policy, effective 1-1-12, for Corn Board Directors:  
  
“Reimburse all Directors for the following expenses, up to \$400 per year: (receipts required)
  - High-Speed Internet Access – this can be an internet plan on portable or non-portable equipment (to enable directors to download and submit required documents sent from the Nebraska Corn Board office.)
  - Consumable supplies (e.g. to print required materials such as ink, paper, toner, etc.)Reimbursement must be submitted on an expense reimbursement form, along with attached receipts and paid on a quarterly basis.”  
*Aye: Holzfaster, Jagels, Nielsen, Merrell, Tiemann, Gengenbach, Scheer, Friesen*  
*Nay: none*  
*Absent: Dickey*  
*By a vote of 8 ayes, no nays, motion carried.*

TRAVEL/CALENDAR

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the following travel/calendar:  
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.
- January 9-11, 2012 – NE Ag Classic – Appr: All Board & Staff
  - January 10-12, 2012 – NCGA Policy & Priority – Appr: Tiemann, Holzfaster
  - January 19, 2012 – NCB Board Meeting – Appr: all
  - January 22-25, 2012– Leadership Academy – Appr: Scheer
  - January 23-26, 2012 – Texas Mission – Appr: Brunkhorst, Merrell, Friesen
  - January 30 – Feb. 4, 2012 – NeCGA WDC Leadership – Hutchens, Friesen
  - February 6-8, 2012 – NCGA A-Team – Appr: Friesen
  - February 14-16, 2012 – NCGA A-Team – Appr: Gengenbach
  - February 13-18, 2012– USGC Meeting – Appr: Dickey, Friesen, Tiemann, Scheer, Hutchens, Pope
  - February 21-24, 2012 – RFA Conf in FL – Appr: Friesen

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- ▶ A motion was made to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel evaluations.  
*A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.*
- ▶ A motion was made to come out of Executive Session.  
*A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.*

ADJOURN

- ▶ A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m.  
*A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.*

SUBMITTED BY,

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Curt Friesen, Secretary/Treasurer

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Janet Miller, Business Manager