



**Minutes of the Meeting Held May 30, 2014
York Hotel & Conference Center, York, NE**

The following are motions and formal decisions made by the Board during the May 30, 2014 meeting:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

EX-OFFICIOS PRESENT:

Joel Grams, NeCGA
Bobbie Wickham, NDA
Jeff Noel, UNL

STAFF PRESENT:

Kelly Brunkhorst
Kelsey Pope
Don Hutchens
Janet Miller
Kim Clark

VISITORS:

Dave Buchholz, D&A
Brandon Hunnicutt, NeCGA
Jay Reiners, NeCGA
Rick Koelsch, UNL

John Greer
Josh Egley, UN Foundation
Terry Hejny, LEAD

CALL TO ORDER:

The NCB meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Tim Scheer, Chairman. Scheer 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 April 1, 2014 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 report for April 2014.
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

PETITIONS

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the following petitions and forward District #2 & #3 to the Governor's office for appointment.
District #2 Candidates: John Greer & Jay Reiners
District #3: Brandon Hunnicutt
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.
- ▶ A motion was made to accept Alan Tiemann's petition for At-Large Director.
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

TABLED FUNDING REQUEST

- ▶ A motion was made to remove the funding request from Urban Air Initiative from the table.
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

2014-2014 BUDGET

- ▶ A motion was made to suspend the rules to discuss the Center for Food Integrity funding request.
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.
- ▶ A motion was made to approve funding in the amount of \$5,000 to the Center for Food Integrity.
A roll call was taken:
Aye: Tiemann, Borg, Scheer, Bruntz, Holzfaster, Gengenbach, Jagels, Merrell, Friesen
Nay: none
By a vote of 9 ayes, no nays, motion carried

- ▶ A motion was made to approve and fund the WDC Leadership Program for an additional amount of \$3,000, which will include an extra day of travel with other corn states.
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

- ▶ A motion was made to suspend the rules to discuss first-time funding requests from the Nebraska State Dairy, UNO Essay Contest, 4-H Biofuels & 4-H & FFA State Fair funding requests.
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

- ▶ A motion was made to approve and fund the 4-H & FFA State Fair funding request in the amount of \$5,000.
*A roll call was taken:
Aye: Tiemann, Borg, Scheer, Bruntz, Holzfaster, Gengenbach, Jagels, Merrell, Friesen
Nay: none
By a vote of 9 ayes, no nays, motion carried*

- ▶ A motion was made to approve and fund the 4-H Biofuels funding request in the amount of \$35,000.
*A roll call was taken:
Aye: Tiemann, Borg, Scheer, Bruntz, Holzfaster, Gengenbach, Jagels, Merrell, Friesen
Nay: none
By a vote of 9 ayes, no nays, motion carried*

- ▶ A motion was made to approve and fund the Nebraska State Dairy funding request in the amount of \$13,000.
*A roll call was taken:
Aye: Tiemann, Borg, Scheer, Bruntz, Holzfaster, Gengenbach, Jagels, Merrell, Friesen
Nay: none
By a vote of 9 ayes, no nays, motion carried*

- ▶ A motion was made to approve a review committee including: the Chairman of the NE Corn Board, Chairman of the NCB Research Committee and a representative from NeCGA, regarding the UNL Presidential Chair and make a recommendation to the full Board of Directors for potential approval.
*A roll call was taken:
Aye: Tiemann, Borg, Scheer, Bruntz, Holzfaster, Gengenbach, Jagels, Merrell, Friesen
Nay: none
By a vote of 9 ayes, no nays, motion carried*

- A motion was made to approve the Budget as amended. Budget based on 9.1 million acres harvested at 170 bu., \$7,000,000
- International Marketing - \$1,291,000
 - Domestic Marketing - \$1,086,500
 - NE Corn Growers Association - \$328,000
 - Government Affairs - \$25,000
 - Market Development - \$1,146,800
 - Communications - \$663,979
 - Research - \$753,387
 - Corn Board - \$100,000
 - Administration - \$667,485
 - Promotion/Education - \$161,600
 - In-State Programs - \$964,767
 - Unobligated Funds - \$500,000

A roll call was taken:

Aye: Jagels, Merrell, Tiemann, Bruntz, Friesen, Scheer, Borg, Holzfaster, Gengenbach

Nay: none

By a vote of 9 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.
- June 3-6, 2014 – USMEF World Pork Expo, Des Moines – Jagels, Scheer
 - June 6-7, 2014 – Cattlemen’s Ball, Banner County – Approved: Gengenbach
 - June 9-12, 2014 – Fuel Workshop, Indianapolis – Approved: Clark
 - June 11-12, 2014 – NE Cattlemen Midyear – Appr: Jagels, Pope, Gengenbach, Bruntz, Hutchens
 - June 14-22, 2014 – State Executives Mission, Europe – Approved: Hutchens
 - June 26-27, 2014 – Communications Summit, WDC – Approved: Pope
 - July 13-18, 2014 – NCGA Corn Congress, WDC – Approved: Brunkhorst, Borg, Clark, Zumpfe (intern), Holzfaster, Gengenbach, Scheer, Miller, Hutchens, Friesen
 - July 27-31, 2014 – USGC Meeting, Omaha, NE, WDC – Approved: All staff & Board
 - August 6-7, 2014 – NCB Meeting – Approved: All Staff & Board
 - August 22-Sept. 2, 2014 – Nebraska State Fair – Approved: All Staff & Board

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- ▶ A motion was made to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues.
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.
- ▶ A motion was made to return to normal business.
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the NCB / NeCGA cooperative agreement.
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.
- ▶ A motion was made to continue double-staffing the Executive Director position until November 3, 2014 with Kelly Brunkhorst's salary increasing to the hiring rate of the Executive Director, established by the Board, effective August 1, 2014.
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

ADJOURN

- ▶ A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 5:09 p.m.
A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

SUBMITTED BY,

David Merrell, Secretary/Treasurer

Janet Miller, Business Manager