



Minutes of the meeting held June 8, 2018
Cattle National Bank
104 South 5th Street
Seward, Nebraska

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

David Merrell, Chairman
Debbie Borg
David Bruntz
Jon Holzfaster
Brandon Hunnicutt
Jay Reiners
Tim Scheer
Dennis Gengenbach
John Greer

EX-OFFICIO PRESENT

Dan Wesely, NeCGA
Steve Wellman, NDA

EX-OFFICIO ABSENT

Hector Santiago, UNL-IANR

STAFF PRESENT:

Kelly Brunkhorst
Roger Berry
Kurtis Harms
Boone McAfee
Susan Zabel

VISTORS:

Dave Buchholz, David & Associates
Mark Wilkins, UNL
Bob Storant, Neb. Dept. of Ag

The following are motions and formal decisions made by the Board during the June 8, 2018 meeting:

CALL TO ORDER:

The NCB meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by David Merrell, chairman. Merrell 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

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the minutes from the March 19-20, 2018 meeting as presented.

A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

FISCAL REPORT

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the March, April and May, 2018 fiscal reports as presented.

A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

PETITIONS

The board reviewed the petitions that were submitted for Districts #6 and #7. All petitions have been verified with the respective FSA offices.

District #6: Joel Grams
Ted Schrock

District #7: Dave Merrell

- ▶ A motion was made to forward the petitions for District #6 and District #7 to the Governor's office for his appointment as all have met the qualifications.

A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

LEAD

- ▶ A motion was made to provide support for staff member, Boone McAfee's application to the LEAD development program. Support shall include up to 10 days of administrative leave for program attendance along with underwriting half of the cost of the participation fee in the amount of \$1,250.00 from general unobligated.

A roll call vote was taken:

Aye: Reiners, Borg, Bruntz, Holzfaster, Scheer, Gengenbach, Merrell, Greer, Hunnicutt

Nay: None

By a vote of 9 ayes, and 0 nays, motion carried.

Government Relations Committee:

- ▶ A motion was made from the Government Relations Committee to support the BioFuels Conference with Iowa Renewable Fuels Association for \$2,500 from Government Relations Unobligated.

A roll call vote was taken:

Aye: Borg, Bruntz, Holzfaster, Scheer, Gengenbach, Merrell, Greer, Hunnicutt, Reiners

Nay: None

By a vote of 9 ayes, and 0 nays, motion carried.

- ▶ A motion was made from of the Government Relations Committee to support the NCGA request for \$12,500 from Government Relations Unobligated.

A roll call vote was taken:

Aye: Bruntz, Holzfaster, Scheer, Gengenbach, Merrell, Greer, Hunnicutt, Reiners, Borg

Nay: None

By a vote of 9 ayes, and 0 nays, motion carried.

ACTION FROM COMMITTEES

- Research and Stewardship Committee approved funding of \$3,880 to the National Ag Genotyping Center and \$1,500 UNL Haskell Ag Lab.

MIDWEST US/JAPAN ASSOCIATION

- ▶ A motion was made to suspend the rules to consider the Midwest US/Japan Association proposal from the Nebraska Department of Agriculture in the amount of \$20,000 for FY 17-18.

A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

A motion approve the Midwest US Japan Association proposal from the Nebraska Department of Agriculture in the amount of \$20,000 from the NDA Corn Promotion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Aye: Holzfaster, Scheer, Gengenbach, Merrell, Greer, Hunnicutt, Reiners, Borg, Bruntz

Nay: None

By a vote of 9 ayes, and 0 nays, motion carried.

TRANSATLANTIC AGRICULTURAL DIALOGUE

- ▶ A motion was made to suspend the rules to consider the request for sponsorship from U.S. Farmers & Ranchers for the German American Dialogue on Consumer Engagement in Agriculture.

A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the request for sponsorship from U.S. Farmers & Ranchers for the German American Dialogue on Consumer Engagement in Agriculture in the amount of \$6,600.00 from General Unobligated.

A roll call vote was taken:

Aye: Gengenbach, Merrell, Greer, Hunnicutt, Reiners, Borg, Bruntz, Holzfaster, Scheer

Nay: None

By a vote of 9 ayes, and 0 nays, motion carried.

FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 BUDGET

The board discussed the revenue projection for FY 18/19 and agreed to set the corn fees revenue projection at \$7,576,200.00. This amount is based on 9 million acres being harvested at 183 bushels per acre. Additionally, the board added \$500,000 in additional revenue from on-farm stocks.

- ▶ A motion was made to fund the National Corn Growers Association in the amount of \$1,491,000.00.

A roll call was taken:

Aye: Borg, Merrell, Greer, Holzfaster, Gengenbach, Reiners, Scheer, Bruntz

Abstain: Hunnicutt

By a vote of 8 ayes, no nays, motion carried.

- ▶ A motion was made to fund the Nebraska Corn Growers Association in the amount of \$370,000.00.

A roll call was taken:

Aye: Borg, Reiners, Greer, Holzfaster, Gengenbach, Scheer, Bruntz

Abstain: Merrell, Hunnicutt

By a vote of 7 ayes, no nays, motion carried.

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the FY 18/19 budget as amended.

A roll call was taken:

Aye: Scheer, Bruntz, Borg, Reiners, Greer, Holzfaster, Gengenbach, Merrell, Hunnicutt

By a vote of 9 ayes, no nays, motion carried.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the policies and procedures as amended.

A roll call was taken:

Aye: Hunnicutt, Scheer, Bruntz, Borg, Reiners, Holzfaster, Gengenbach, Merrell

Absent: Greer

By a vote of 8 ayes, no nays, motion carried.

CALENDAR/TRAVEL

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the travel noted so far on the calendar for the months of June, July, August and September, 2018.

MONTH	DATES	YEAR	PURPOSE	LOCATION	APPROVED
June	13-14	2018	NCGA-USGC Trade School	STL	Greer, Harms
June	19-22	2018	NCGA BOD	Fargo, ND	Hunnicutt
June	20-22	2018	Governor's Ag DC Mission	WDC	Brunkhorst, Merrell

June July	23 thru 1	2018	German American Consumer Engagement on Ag	Germany	Bruntz
June July	27-28 15-19	2018	Field to Market NCGA Corn Congress	Madison, WI WDC	McAfee Brunkhorst, Borg, Holzfaster, Merrell, Reiners, Hunnicutt, Harms, McAfee, Berry
July	23-25	2018	Commonground Conference	Chicago, IL	Harms
July- August	29 thru 1	2018	USGC meeting	Denver, CO	Brunkhorst, Bruntz, Greer, Hunnicutt, Reiners, Merrell, McAfee, Berry
August	4-8	2018	Ag Media Summit	Phoenix, AZ	Harms
August	19-23	2018	Governor's Trade Mission	Mexico	Borg, Hunnicutt
August	23-24	2018	NCGA Water Quality	Ohio	McAfee
August September	25 thru 6	2018	4 State Marketing Mission	China	Merrell, Berry, Reiners
August	27-31	2018	Texas Marketing Mission	Texas	McAfee
September	12-14	2018	NCGA BOD	STL	Hunnicutt

A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Merrell provided the opportunity for public discussion.

ADJOURN

- ▶ A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 3:05 pm.

A voice vote was taken; unanimous aye by members present; motion carried.

SUBMITTED BY,

Deborah Borg, Secretary/Treasurer

Susan Zabel, Business Manager