



**Minutes of the meeting held November 24, 2020  
Cornhusker Marriott  
Lincoln, Nebraska**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

David Merrell  
David Bruntz, Chairman  
Brandon Hunnicutt  
Jay Reiners  
Deborah Borg  
John Greer  
Ted Schrock  
Andy Groskopf  
Adam Grabenstein

**EX- OFFICIOS PRESENT**

Hector Santiago, IANR – UNL  
Dan Nerud, NeCGA  
Steve Wellman, Nebraska Dept. of  
Agriculture

**GUESTS**

Sophia Svanda, NCB Intern

**STAFF PRESENT**

Kelly Brunkhorst  
Jeff Wilkerson  
Boone McAfee  
Kurtis Harms  
Nikki Bentzinger

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the November 24, 2020 meeting agenda.

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

## MARKET DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- ▶ A motion was made out of the Market Development Committee to approve E15 infrastructure incentive grant in the amount of \$10,000 to Pony Express in Walthill, NE.

*A roll call vote was taken:*

*Aye: Merrell, Reiners, Borg, Bruntz, Groskopf, Hunnicutt, Schrock, Grabenstein, Greer*

*Nay: None*

*Abstain: None*

*Not Present:*

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

- ▶ A motion was made out of the Market Development Committee to approve E15 infrastructure incentive grant in the amount of \$10,000 to Royal One Stop in Royal, NE

*A roll call vote was taken:*

*Aye: Greer, Borg, Groskopf, Schrock, Merrell, Bruntz, Reiners, Hunnicutt, Grabenstein*

*Nay: None*

*Abstain: None*

*Not Present:*

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

- ▶ A motion was made out of the Market Development Committee to approve E15 infrastructure incentive grant in the amount of \$15,000 to Kum & Go in Papillion, NE

*A roll call vote was taken:*

*Aye: Grabenstein, Borg, Groskopf, Schrock, Merrell, Bruntz, Reiners, Hunnicutt, Greer*

*Nay: None*

*Abstain: None*

*Not Present:*

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

- ▶ A motion was made out of the Market Development Committee to E15, E30 and E85 infrastructure incentive grant in the amount of \$50,000 to T-Bone Truck Stop #2 in Columbus, NE

*A roll call vote was taken:*

*Aye: Reiners, Groskopf, Merrell, Borg, Schrock, Hunnicutt, Greer, Grabenstein, Bruntz*

*Nay: None*

*Abstain: None*

*Not Present:*

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

- ▶ A motion was made out of the Market Development Committee to adjust funding to Pump & Pantry through its Ethanol Infrastructure Investment line item. NCB will maintain funding for Gretna at \$25,000 and offer full funding of \$50,000 to Grand Island #2 and Kearney #27. Gordon will also receive full funding based on addendum from previous meeting. Grand Island #15 will not receive funding. Total funding would be \$175,000.

*A roll call vote was taken:*

*Aye: Grabenstein, Merrell, Bruntz, Reiners, Greer, Groskopf, Hunnicutt, Borg, Schrock*

*Nay: None*

*Abstain: None*

*Not Present:*

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

### **NCGA PORTFOLIO INCREASE**

- ▶ A motion was made to increase funding by \$80,000 to NCGA Portfolio from General Unobligated.

A roll call vote was taken:

Aye: Groskopf, Borg, Merrell, Reiners, Schrock, Grabenstein, Bruntz

Nay: None

Abstain: Hunnicutt

Not Present: Greer

By a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays, motion carried.

### **NCGA PORTFOLIO ALLOCATION**

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the NCGA portfolio allocation with the following breakdown:
  - Market Development –
    - \$90,000
  - Ethanol –
    - \$90,000
  - Stewardship –
    - \$90,000

- Member & Consumer Engagement –
  - \$90,000
- Risk Management & Transport –
  - \$90,000
- Sustainable Ag Research –
  - \$90,000
- Production Technology –
  - \$63,000

*A roll call vote was taken:*

*Aye: Merrell, Reiners, Borg, Bruntz, Groskopf, Schrock, Grabenstein*

*Nay: None*

*Abstain: Hunnicutt*

*Not Present: Greer*

*By a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays, motion carried.*

**MINUTES**

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the minutes from the August 19-20, 2020 meeting.

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

**FISCAL REPORT**

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the August, September and October, 2020 fiscal reports as presented.

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

**CALENDAR/TRAVEL**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>APPROVED</b>
December	15-17	2020	NCGA State Execs/President/Chair Meeting	Virtual	Greer, Grabenstein, Borg, Bruntz, Reiners, Merrell, Hunnicutt, Groskopf, Schrock, Brunkhorst
January	11-13	2021	NCGA Action Team Meetings	Virtual	Greer, Grabenstein, Borg, Bruntz, Reiners, Merrell, Hunnicutt, Groskopf, Schrock, Brunkhorst, Harms, Wilkerson
February	1-3	2021	USGC Meeting	Virtual	Greer, Grabenstein, Borg, Bruntz, Reiners, Merrell, Hunnicutt, Groskopf, Schrock, Brunkhorst, Wilkerson

March	2-6	2021	NCGA Commodity Classic	Virtual	Brunkhorst, Harms, Wilkerson, Svanda, Bruntz, Greer, Grabenstein, Borg, Hunnicutt, Reiners, Schrock, Merrell, Groskopf, McAfee
March	23-25	2021	NCGA Corn Board Meeting		Hunnicutt
April	19-21	2021	Field to Market	Virtual	Hunnicutt
April-May	26-7	2021	NCGA State Staff Meeting	St. Louis, MO	Brunkhorst, McAfee, Wilkerson, Harms

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the travel listed on the spreadsheet for the months of December, 2020 and January, February, March and April in 2021.

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

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

Bruntz provided the opportunity for public discussion.

**ADJOURN**

- ▶ Finding no further business before the board, Chairman Bruntz adjourned the meeting at 2:15 pm.

SUBMITTED BY,

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Jay Reiners, Secretary/Treasurer

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Nikki Bentzinger, Business Manager