

Minutes of the meeting held November 20 & 21, 2023 Cornhusker Marriott Lincoln, Nebraska

November 20, 2023, 1:00PM Joint Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Debbie Borg Matt Sullivan Brandon Hunnicutt Jay Reiners

Ted Schrock Andy Groskopf Adam Grabenstein

Dan Nerud John Krohn

EX- OFFICIOS PRESENT

Chris Grams, NeCGA

STAFF PRESENT

Kelly Brunkhorst Jill Parrent Rachael Whitehair Payton Schaneman

GUESTS

Greg Whitmore, NeCGA Michael Dibbern, NeCGA Jan tenBensel, NeCGA Guy Mills, NeCGA Larry Mussack, NeCGA Daren Niemeyer, NeCGA Dave Merrell, NeCGA Ryan Hanousek, NeCGA Clark Pickrel, NeCGA Steve Ebke, NeCGA Michael Bergen Dan Wesely, NeCGA Ethan Zoerb, NeCGA Katherine Byrne, NeCGA Staff Russ Kavan, NeCGA Amy Harsch, NeCGA Derek Dam, NeCGA Jesse VonSpreckelsen, NeCGA Andy Jobman, NeCGA Quentin Connealy, NeCGA Morgan Wrich, NeCGA

Dave Warner, NeCGA Kyle Pohlmann, NeCGA Tom Nathan, NeCGA Jason Lewis, NeCGA

No motion taken – Recess for working Dinner at Lazlo's South – Invite Only

November 21, 2023, 8:00am Joint Meeting

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EX- OFFICIOS PRESENT

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Rachael Whitehair Payton Schaneman

November 21, 2023, Corn Board Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

John Krohn
Dan Nerud
Brandon Hunnicutt
Jay Reiners, Chairman
Deborah Borg
Matt Sullivan
Ted Schrock
Andy Groskopf
Adam Grabenstein

GUESTS

Andy Jobman, NeCGA
Michael Dibbern, NeCGA
Jan tenBensel, NeCGA
Tom Nathan, NeCGA
Larry Mussack, NeCGA
Daren Niemeyer, NeCGA
Dave Merrell, NeCGA
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Ethan Zoerb, NeCGA
Jason Lewis, NeCGA
Dan Wesely, NeCGA
Steve Ebke, NeCGA

Katherine Byrne, NeCGA Staff Morgan Wrich, NeCGA Dave Warner, NeCGA Ryan Hanousek, NeCGA

STAFF PRESENT

Kelly Brunkhorst
Jill Parrent
Rachael Whitehair
Payton Schaneman
Renee Tichota
Sam Oborny, NeCGA Intern
Ashtyn Humphreys, NCB Intern

EX- OFFICIOS PRESENT

Chris Grams, NeCGA Hector Santiago, UNL Hilary Maricle, NDA

GUESTS

Michael Dibbern, NeCGA David Bruntz Andy Jobman, NeCGA Steve Ebke, NeCGA

CALL TO ORDER

The NCB meeting was called to order at 10:26 am by Jay Reiners, chairman. Reiners 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 and seconded to approve the November 20-21, 2023, meeting agenda.

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

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

► A motion was made and seconded to elect Jay Reiners as at-large board member for fiscal year's 2023-26.

A roll call was taken:

Aye: Borg, Groskopf, Grabenstein, Sullivan, Schrock, Hunnicutt, Nerud, Krohn

Nay: None Abstain: Reiners Absent: None Not Present: None

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

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

► A motion was made to approve \$10,000.00 to have a full cover wrap for Nebraska Farmer from General Unobligated

A roll call was taken:

Aye: Borg, Reiners, Groskopf, Grabenstein, Sullivan, Schrock, Hunnicutt, Nerud

Nay: Krohn Abstain: None Absent: None Not Present: None

By a vote of 8 ayes, 1 nay, motion carried.

▶ A motion was made to approve \$5,000.00 for a half page ad for NCAA in Omaha, NE

A roll call was taken:

Aye: Borg, Reiners, Krohn, Groskopf, Grabenstein, Sullivan, Schrock, Hunnicutt,

Nay: Nerud Abstain: None Absent: None Not Present: None

By a vote of 8 ayes, 1 nay, motion carried.

► A motion was made and seconded to approve consent motions as attached to these minutes.

A roll call was taken:

Aye: Borg, Reiners, Krohn, Groskopf, Grabenstein, Sullivan, Schrock, Hunnicutt,

Nerud Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: None Not Present: None

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

FIRST-TIME FUNDING

► A motion was made to suspend the rules to consider PBPC (Pant Based Products Council) first-time funding.

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

▶ A motion was made and seconded to approve funding for PBPC Sponsorship in the amount of \$2,500.00 from General Unobligated.

A roll call vote was taken:

Aye: Groskopf, Borg, Krohn, Sullivan, Reiners, Schrock, Hunnicutt, Grabenstein,

Nerud Nay: None Abstain: None Not Present: None

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

► A motion was made to suspend the rules to consider approval of Nebraska Commodity Classic Meeting / Reception first-time funding.

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

► A motion was made and seconded to approve funding for the Nebraska Commodity Classic Meeting / Reception up to \$5,500 from General Unobligated

A roll call vote was taken:

Aye: Krohn, Reiners, Borg, Nerud, Groskopf, Hunnicutt, Schrock, Grabenstein,

Sullivan Nay: None Abstain:

None

Not Present: None

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

MINUTES

► A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the August 18, 2023 Board Meeting

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

FISCAL REPORT

▶ A motion was made and seconded to approve the August – October 2023 fiscal reports as presented.

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

CALENDAR/TRAVEL

Month	Dates	Year	PURPOSE	LOCATION	APPROVED
November	8-10	2023	USMEF Meeting	New Orleans	Bruntz, Brunkhorst, Schrock, Grabenstein,Sullivan, Schaneman
November	14-15	2023	CFI Transparency Summit	Chicago IL	Parrent
November	15-16	2023	NCC	Kearney	Schaneman

November	20-21	2023	NCB/NeCGA Joint Meeting	Lincoln	ALL
November	20	2023	AFAN Meeting	Lincoln	ALL
November	30- Dec 1	2023	CCA Meeting	Fort Lauderdale	Hunnicutt
December	4-6	2023	Field to Market Sustainability	Charlotte, NC	Whitehair, Hunnicutt
December	4	2023	Grower's Gala	Kearney, NE	Schrock, Groskopf,
December	5	2023	Nebraska Farm Bureau Banquet	Kearney, NE	Brunkhorst, Schaneman, Grabenstein
January	8	2024	CQR – Taiwan	Taiwan	Reiners
January	8-11	2024	State Presidents, chairmen, execs meeting, NCGA Board Meeting	STL, MO	
January	9	2024	NCGA Action Team Member Training & Exec Leadership Symposium	STL, MO	Groskopf, Reiners, Krohn, Nerud, Brunkhorst, Schaneman, Whitehair, Parrent
January	10-11	2024	NCGA Jan. Action Team & Committee Mtgs.	St. Louis, MO	Brunkhorst, Reiners
January	11-12	2024	NAMA	Kansas City	Parrent
January	15-20	2024	CQR – Korea	Korea	Hunnicutt
January	18-20	2024	CQR – Mexico	Mexico	Groskopf, Borg
January	22	2024	NeCGA Annual Meeting	York, Ne	Hunnicutt, Nerud, Parrent, Schaneman, Whitehair
January	30	2024	Ne Corn Board Meeting – 6 Month Budget	Grand Island	All
February	5-9	2024	NeCGA Leadership	Washington DC	Sullivan
February	14-16	2024	USGC Meeting	Guatemala City	Groskopf, Hunnicutt, Reiners, Borg, Brunkhorst, Whitehair, Schaneman
February	19-21	2024	National Ethanol Conference	San Diego CA	Schaneman
February	22-23	2024	Women in AG	Kearney	Parrent, Whitehair
February	23	2024	NCGA Open Forum	ZOOM	All Delegates and Staff

February 28 to March 3	28-3	2024	Commodity Classic	Houston, TX	Borg, Reiners, Krohn, Nerud, Groskopf, Brunkhorst, Schaneman, Whitehair, Parrent, Oborny, Humphreys
March	12	2024	Research	Lincoln	Corn Board Members and Staff
March	13	2024	Corn Board/Cooperators meeting	Lincoln	Corn Board Members and Staff
April	8-12	2024	U.S. Grains Council Global	Morocco	Brunkhorst
April	8-10	2024	PBPC Annual Conference	Omaha, NE	Borg, Krohn, Whitehair
April	24 - 26	2024	NAMA	Kansas City	Parrent
April /May	30- May 2	2024	NCGA All Staff Meeting	Omaha	Brunkhorst, Schaneman, Whitehair, Parrent, Byrne
May	20-23	2024	State Executives Meeting	Kentucky	Brunkhorst
May	22-24	2024	USMEF	Kansas City	Grabenstein, Schaneman, Bruntz

▶ A motion was made to approve the travel listed on the spreadsheet for the months of November and December 2023 and January, February, March, April, May, and June in 2024.

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

OTHER BUSINESS

► A motion was made and seconded to approve recommendations to change Policies / Procedures.

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

Reiners provided the opportunity for public discussion.

ADJOURN

► Finding no further business before the board, A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Reiners adjourned the meeting at 3:57 pm.

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

SUBMITTED BY,

Andy Groskopf, Secretary/Treasurer

Renee Tichota, Business Manager