



Minutes of the meeting held January 23, 2025
Nebraska Cattlemen
4611 Cattle Drive
Lincoln, Nebraska

Dress: Business Casual

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Debbie Borg
Matt Sullivan
Brandon Hunnicutt
Jay Reiners
Ted Schrock
Andy Groskopf
Adam Grabenstein
John Krohn

STAFF PRESENT

Kelly Brunkhorst
Rachael Whitehair
Payton Schaneman
Renee Tichota
Jill Bookhout

GUESTS

Anthony Edwards, NDA
Kevin Shearman, NDA

EX- OFFICIOS PRESENT

Michael Dibbern, NeCGA
Jon Kerrigan, NDA
Hector Santiago, UNL – IANR
Derek McLean, UNL - IANR
Hilary Maricle, NDA

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Brandon Hunnicutt, chairman. Hunnicutt 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 January 23, 2025, meeting agenda.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- ▶ A motion was made to approve half of the research project Wood Carbon subsoil amendment for sustainable corn production on sandy irrigated soils for \$20,736.00 from Water Quality Unobligated.

A roll call vote was taken:

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Not Present: Nerud

By a vote of 8 ayes, no nays, 1 not present motion carried.

MID-TERM BUDGET REVIEW

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the calendar provided by NDA for international travel for \$40,000.00

A roll call was taken:

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Not Present: Nerud

By a vote of 8 ayes, 1 not present, motion carried.

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the USMEF budget as presented.

A roll call vote was taken:

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

Nay: None

Abstain: Grabenstein

Not Present: Nerud

By a vote of 7 ayes, 1 Not Present, 1 Abstain, no nays, motion carried.

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the USCG budget as presented.

A roll call vote was taken:

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

Nay: None

Abstain: Reiners

Not Present: Nerud

By a vote of 7 ayes, 1 Not Present, 1 Abstain, no nays, motion carried.

- ▶ A motion was made and seconded to approve the six-month budget as presented.

A roll call vote was taken:

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Not Present: Nerud

By a vote of 8 ayes, no nays, 1 not present motion carried

FIRST-TIME FUNDING

- ▶ A motion was made and seconded to move FFAR Program Support to Second-Time Funding

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

SECOND-TIME FUNDING

- ▶ A motion was made and seconded to approve funding for IL Corn/OSCC Book & Claim Proposal at \$10,000.00 to come from general unobligated budget line item.

A roll call vote was taken:

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Not Present: Nerud

By a vote of 8 ayes, no nays, 1 not present motion carried

AWARDS

- ▶ A motion was made to approve the Corn Vision Award to Randy Gard, Pump & Pantry.

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

CALENDAR/TRAVEL

Month	Dates	Year	PURPOSE	LOCATION	APPROVED
February	3-4	2025	Iowa Renewable Fuels Conference	Iowa	Schaneman
February	3-7	2025	NCB-National Cattleman Assoc Cattle Con.	San Antonio TX	<i>Nerud</i>
February	3-6	2025	NeCGA DC Leadership	DC	
February	11-14	2025	U.S. Grains Council Mtg.	Austin, TX	Brunkhorst, Reiners, Nerud, Groskopf, Hunnicutt, Krohn, Schrock, Bookhout, Whitehair
February	17-19	2025	National Ethanol conference	Nashville, TN	Schaneman
February	20-21	2025	Women in Ag	Kearney, NE	Bookhout, Whitehair
February March	28 5	2025	Commodity Classic	Denver CO	Brunkhorst, Reiners, Nerud, Borg, Groskopf, Hunnicutt, Krohn, Whitehair, Bookhout, Sullivan, Grabenstein, Schaneman,
March	10-12	2025	NCGA Board Meeting	Washington DC	
March	10-12	2025	NCGA Board Mtg.	Washington	Nerud

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March	18-19	2025	NCGA Meeting	St. Louis	Nerud
March	19	2025	Social, Invite Only	Lazlo's	NCB, Cooperators, Award winners
March	20	2025	Corn Board Mtg with Cooperators	Lincoln, NE	Corn Staff, members, Cooperators
March	21	2025	NCB Mtg. with Research Dept UNL	Lincoln, NE	CB staff 7 members, UNL Research
March	26-28	2025	AFA-AllianceX	Fort Worth, TX	Bookhout
April	1	2025	USMEF		
April	8-10	2025	USGC Industry Partner Conf		Brunkhorst, Payton
April	10	2025	CommonGround State Conf.	York	Bookhout
April	9-10	2025	NAMA	Kansas City	Bookhout
April May	28-2	2025	Water for Food Global Conference	Lincoln	Whitehair, Krohn
April	28-30	2025	NCGA All Staff Meeting	St. Paul MN	Hunnicut, Reiners
May	19-22	2025	State Executives Meeting	Kentucky	Brunkhorst
May	21-23	2025	USMEF	Fort Worth TX	Grabenstein, Schaneman, Reiners David Bruntz
June	10-14	2025	NCGA/Corn Board meeting	St Louis, MO	
June	10-12	2025	NCGA Meeting	St. Louis MO	Nerud
June	17	2025	NCB/NeCGA Joint Meeting	Broken Bow	NCB/NeCGA Staff & Board
June	18	2025	NCB Board Meeting	Broken Bow	NCB Staff & Board

- ▶ A motion was made and seconded to approve the travel listed on the spreadsheet for the months of February, March, April, May, and June, in 2025.

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

MINUTES

- ▶ A motion was made to correct and amend Jill Parents name from the Nov 25&26, 2024 Minutes to Jill Bookhout.

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

FISCAL REPORT

- ▶ A motion was made and seconded to approve the November – December 2024 fiscal reports as presented.

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

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

A roll call was taken:

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Nerud

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

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Hunnicutt provided the opportunity for public discussion.

ADJOURN

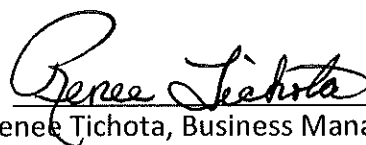
- ▶ Finding no further business before the board, A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Hunnicutt adjourned the meeting at 3:01 pm.

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

SUBMITTED BY,



Ted Schrock, Secretary/Treasurer



Renee Tichota, Business Manager