

SOUTH DAKOTA WHEAT COMMISSION MEETING
February 3, 2015
116 N. Euclid, Pierre, SD
Minutes

Present: Commissioners: Leo Warrington, SDWC
Chet Edinger, SDWC
Terry Hand, SDWC
Clinton Vanneman, SDWC

Ex-Officio: Trudy Wastweet, Deputy Secretary SDDA

Staff: Reid Christopherson, SDWC
Carolyn Theobald, SDWC
Caren Assman, SDWI

Guests: Dr. Daniel Scholl, SDSU AES Director
Dr. David Wright, SDSU Plant Science Department

Call to Order:

Chairman Warrington called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Vanneman moved to approve agenda, seconded by Commissioner Hand. Motion approved.

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner Vanneman moved to approve December 1, 2014 Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Hand. Motion approved.

I. SDSU Discussion

A. Greenhouse/Seedhouse/Headhouse – Update

Dr. Scholl and Dr. Wright provided updates on SDSU's Greenhouse, Seedhouse and Headhouse. Discussion took place.

B. FY16 Research Proposals

Dr. Scholl and Dr. Wright presented the FY16 Research Proposals. Discussion took place.

C. March Commission Meeting at SDSU (March 10-11, 2015)

Discussion took place.

Note: Trudy Wastweet, Deputy Secretary SD Department of Agriculture, arrived at 11:45 a.m.

Note: Dr. David Wright and Dr. Daniel Scholl departed at 12:30 p.m.

II. Financial Reports

A. December 2014 and January 2015 Financials

Theobald presented December 2014 and January 2015 financials. Discussion took place.

Commissioner Vanneman moved to approve December 2014 and January 2015 financials, seconded by Commissioner Edinger. Motion approved.

B. Budget Updates

Discussion took place.

Note: Caren Assman, Executive Director SDWI, arrived at 1:00 p.m.

III. Production – Receipts / Budget

A. Fiscal Year 2015 Receipts and Expenditures

Discussion took place.

B. 2014 Production Estimates

Discussion took place.

C. Cash Flow Outlook Fiscal Year 2015

Discussion took place.

D. Funding Requests

Discussion took.

E. Potential Early Payment Projects

Discussion took place for the following potential early payment projects:

- National Association of Wheat Growers
- State Fair 4-H Building
- Rail Project
- SDSU Greenhouse

IV. Staff Reports

A. Assman – South Dakota Wheat, Inc.

Assman reported on the following activities with discussions taking place:

- Winter Wheat Insurance – Northern South Dakota
- Legislative Update
- NAWG Update
- SDWI Update – Director Status

B. Christopherson:

Christopherson reported on the following activities with discussions taking place:

- Activity Update
- Wheat Foods Council Report
Christopherson was elected Secretary/Treasurer of the Wheat Foods Council effective July 1, 2015.
- Insight Marketing Design Projects
- Legislation Report
Deputy Secretary Wastweet reported on status of legislative bills.
- Website Upgrades
- SDWC Policy Book Review
- 2014 SDWC Annual Report
- Variety Survey
Consensus of the Board is to complete a Variety Survey through Insight Marketing.

V. Market Development

A. Rails to the Future – TIGER Grant

Commissioner Vanneman reported on activities with Rails to the Future. Discussion took place.

B. U.S. Wheat Associates

Commissioner Edinger, Commissioner Vanneman and Christopherson reported on the USW meeting in Washington D.C. Discussion took place.

C. National Association of Wheat Growers

Commissioner Edinger and Assman reported on the NAWG meeting in Washington D.C. Discussion took place.

D. Northern Crops Institute

Christopherson reported on NCI activities. Discussion took place.

VI. Administrative Matters

A. Commissioner Appointments

Chairman Warrington has been reappointed. Discussion took place on potential future appointment to fill the position previously held by Commissioner Davis.

B. Upcoming Events

Discussion took place.

C. Travel Approval

- Meeting of Wheat Executive Officers, April 6-8, 2015, Salt Lake City, UT – Christopherson
- Wheat Quality Council Winter Wheat Tour, Kansas City, MO – Chairman Warrington, Commissioner Vanneman, Commissioner Hand, Commissioner Edinger, Commissioner Davis and Christopherson (Approved BOD 12-01-2014)
- NCI Miller Short Course, TBD, Fargo, ND – Chairman Warrington, Commissioner Vanneman, Commission Edinger, Commissioner Hand, Commission Davis and Christopherson
- Wheat Foods Council Executive Meeting(s), TBD – Christopherson
- Wheat Quality Council Winter Wheat Tour, May 4-8, 2015, Kansas - Christopherson

Commissioner Edinger moved to approve travel as presented, seconded by Commissioner Hand. Motion approved.

D. Commission Meeting Dates



March 10-11, 2015, Brookings, SD

Note: Chairman Warrington called for Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3) for the purpose of Personnel Issues at 2:39 p.m.

Note: Executive Session ended at 3:55 p.m.

Commissioner Vanneman moved to increase the Executive Director's position to \$72,000 annually, effective March 1, 2015, seconded by Commission Edinger. Motion approved.

Commissioner Vanneman moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Edinger. Meeting adjourned.

	
Terry Hand, Commissioner	Reid A. Christopherson, Executive Director
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For the purpose of continuity, the minutes may not be in chronological order.