

**SOUTH DAKOTA WHEAT COMMISSION MEETING**  
**August 21, 2018**  
**116 No. Euclid, Pierre, SD**  
**Minutes**

**Present:**

Commissioners:	Tregg Cronin, SDWC Chet Edinger, SDWC Terry Hand, SDWC Leon Koeppe, SDWC Clinton Vanneman, SDWC
Ex-Officio:	Dr. Dustin Oedekoven, SD-DOA Interim Secretary
Staff:	Reid Christopherson, SDWC Carolyn Theobald, SDWC
Guests:	Caren Assman, SDWI Executive Director Chris Peterson, SD-DOA Chief Financial Officer

**Call to Order:**

**Chairman Cronin called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.**

**Approval of Agenda:**

**Commissioner Vanneman moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Edinger. Motion approved.**

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Commissioner Hand moved to approve the June 28, 2018 Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Koeppe. Motion approved.**

**I. Financial Reports**

**A. Review June 2018, and July 2018 Financials**

Theobald presented June 2018, and July 2018 financials. Discussion took place.

**Commissioner Edinger moved to approve the June 2018, and July 2018 financials, seconded by Commissioner Hand. Motion approved.**

**B. Fiscal Year 2019 Receipts/Expenditures/Cash Flow**

Discussion took place.

**C. Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Updates/Funding Requests**

Discussion took place.

**D. Multi-Year Payment Projects**

Discussion took place for the following projects:

- National Association of Wheat Growers
- Rail Project
- SDSU Greenhouse

**II. Production Forecast**

**A. 2018 Production Estimates**

Discussion took place.

**B. 2019 Winter Wheat Projection**

Discussion took place.

**Note: Chris Peterson, SD-DOA, arrived at 10:53 a.m.**

**Note: Dr. Oedekoven, SD-DOA, arrived at 10:57 a.m.**

**III. Organization Reports**

**A. South Dakota Department of Agriculture**

Dr. Oedekoven and Peterson reported on the following activities at SD-DOA with discussion taking place:

- Dr. Dustin Oedekoven appointed as Interim Secretary
- Activities occurring at SD-DOA
- Check Off Fee Processing

**Commissioner Vanneman moved to approve the expense of the Check-Off System IT and Processing Fees as presented, seconded by Commissioner Hand. Motion approved.**

**B. South Dakota State University**

Christopherson reported on the following activities at SDSU with discussion taking place:

- Raven Precision Agriculture Center – Tentative Groundbreaking Ceremony October 5-6, 2018
- USDA Grain Industry Advisory Council – Dr. Brent Turnipseed Appointment

**C. South Dakota Wheat Inc. – Caren Assman, Executive Director**

Assman reported on the following activities at SDWI with discussion taking place:

- NAWG Annual Report
- Recent Media Exposure
- 2018 Farm Bill Update
- Bake and Take Update
- 2018 Wheat Walks
- Rotate into Profits Seminar
- 2018 Wheat Yield Contest
- 2018 Ag Horizons Conference
- 2018 Farm Bill

**Note: Chris Peterson departed at 11:55 a.m.**

**Note: Dr. Oedekoven and Caren Assman departed at 12:30 p.m.**

**IV. Staff Reports**

**A. South Dakota Wheat Commission - Reid Christopherson, Executive Director**

Chairman Cronin and Christopherson reported on the following activities at SDWC with discussion taking place:

- Commissioner Appointment Update – Commissioner Hand’s term expires October 30, 2018
- U.S. Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative
- Boston School Project
- MTI Building Project

- Fiscal Year 2020 SDSU Projects
- Senator Rounds Ag Roundtable
- Website Enhancements
- Draper Wheat Meeting
- Social Media

**V. Market Development**

**A. Rails to the Future**

Discussion took place.

**B. U.S. Wheat Associates**

Discussion took place.

**C. National Association of Wheat Growers**

Discussion took place.

**D. Wheat Foods Council**

Christopherson reported on the following activities at WFC with discussion taking place:

- Christopherson immediate Past Chair

**E. Wheat Quality Council**

Discussion took place.

**F. Northern Crops Institute**

Chairman Cronin reported on the following activities at NCI with discussion taking place:

- Chairman Cronin - Vice-Chair

**VI. Administrative Matters**

**A. Upcoming Events**

Discussion took place.

**B. Out of State Travel Approval**

- U.S. Wheat Fall Meeting, October 29 – November 3, 2018, Tampa, FL – Commissioner Vanneman, Commissioner Edinger, Commissioner Hand, Chairman Cronin, Commissioner Koepp, Christopherson (Approved BOD 03/13/2018)
- NCI Wheat to Bread Course, November 14-16, 2018, Fargo, ND - Commissioner Vanneman, Commissioner Edinger, Commissioner Hand, Chairman Cronin, Commissioner Koepp, Christopherson (Approved BOD 06/28/2018)
- U.S. Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative (USWBSI), December 2-4, 2018, St. Louis, MO – Brian Jorgensen, Christopherson (Approved BOD 06/28/2018)
- Kansas Wheat Tour, Dates to be Determined – Christopherson, SDSU Wheat Researchers
- Wheat Foods Council, January 14-18, 2019, New Orleans, LA - Christopherson  
**Commissioner Hand moved to approve travel as presented, seconded by Commissioner Koepp. Motion approved.**

**C. Commission Meeting Dates**

Monday, November 26, 2018

**Note: Commissioner Edinger moved for Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) for the purpose of Employee Performance at 1:50 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Vanneman. Motion approved.**

**Note: Executive Session ended at 2:48 p.m.**

**Commissioner Edinger moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:52 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Hand. Motion approved.**

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Terry Hand, Commissioner

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Date

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Reid A. Christopherson, Executive Director

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Date

*For the purpose of continuity, the minutes may not be in chronological order.*

Not Approved