

**SOUTH DAKOTA WHEAT COMMISSION MEETING**  
**December 9, 2019**  
**116 No. Euclid, Pierre, SD**  
**Minutes**

**Present:**

Commissioners:	Terry Hand, SDWC Tregg Cronin, SDWC Leon Koeppe, SDWC Julian Roseth, SDWC
Ex-Officio:	Dr. Jon Killefer, SDSU Dean of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences
Staff:	Reid Christopherson, SDWC Carolyn Theobald, SDWC
Guests:	Caren Assman, SDWI Chris Kolstad, USW Past Chairman Mark Jirik, NCI Director Rick Vallery, SD-DOA Senior Advisor Dr. David Wright, SDSU AHPS Department Head

**Call to Order:**

**Chairman Hand called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m.**

**Approval of Agenda:**

Additions to Agenda:

- Home Baking Association Dues
- Northern Commodity Transportation Conference

**Commissioner Cronin moved to approve the agenda with above additions, seconded by Commissioner Roseth. Motion approved.**

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Commissioner Koeppe moved to approve the October 8, 2019 Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Cronin. Motion approved.**

**I. Financial Reports**

**A. Review October 2019, and November 2019 Financials**

Theobald presented October 2019, and November 2019 financials. Discussion took place.

**Commissioner Cronin moved to approve the October 2019 and November 2019 financials, seconded by Commissioner Roseth. Motion approved.**

**B. Home Baking Association**

Discussion took place.

**Commissioner Cronin approved to adjust budget to increase Home Baking Association dues to \$2,500, seconded by Commissioner Koeppe. Motion approved.**

**C. Signature Authorization**

**Commissioner Cronin moved to add Commissioner Julian Roseth and Commissioner Bryan Jorgensen to the Bankwest Signature and State of South Dakota authorization**

documents, and remove Clinton Vanneman and Chet Edinger from same documents, seconded by Commission Koeppe. Motion approved.

**D. Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Review**

Discussion took place.

**E. Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Forecast**

Discussion took place.

**II. Production Forecast**

**A. 2019 Production Results**

Discussion took place.

**B. 2019 HRW Planting Projections**

Discussion took place.

**Note: Dr. Jon Killefer and Dr. David Wright arrived at 2:40 p.m.**

**III. Organization Reports**

**A. South Dakota Department of Agriculture**

Vallery reported on activities at SD-DOA with discussion taking place.

**B. South Dakota State University**

Dr. Killefer and Dr. Wright reported on the following activities at SDSU with discussion taking place:

- Enrollment in Agronomy and Horticulture Degree Programs
- Enrollment in Precision Agriculture Major Degree Programs
- Precision Agriculture Building Update
- Animal Disease Research and Diagnostic Laboratory Ribbon Cutting
- Plant Science Support Building/Headhouse, Including Vernalization Chamber
- Arrival of a Food Pod to Grow Plants Vertically

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

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

- Educational Grant Activities
- Wheat Yield Contest
- 2019 Ag Horizons Conference – December 10 & 11, 2019
- National Association of Wheat Growers

**IV. Staff Reports**

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

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

- New Commissioner Appointments
  - Julian Roseth, Midland
  - Bryan Jorgensen, Ideal
- U.S. Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative
- Communication Projects
  - Stacie McCracken
- 2019 Annual Report

**V. Market Development**

**A. U.S. Wheat Associates**

Kolstad reported on activities at U.S. Wheat Associates with discussion taking place.

**B. National Association of Wheat Growers**

Discussion took place.

**C. Wheat Foods Council**

Discussion took place.

**D. Wheat Quality Council**

Discussion took place.

**E. Northern Crops Institute**

Jirik and Commissioner Cronin reported on the activities at NCI with discussion taking place.

**VI. Administrative Matters**

**F. Upcoming Events**

Discussion took place.

**G. Out of State Travel Approval**

Previously approved out of state travel was reviewed with discussion taking place. Upcoming out of state travel with discussion taking place:

- Wheat Quality Council, February 18-20, 2020, Kansas City, MO – Commissioner Koepe, Christopherson
- Wheat Administrator Meeting, Dates TBD, Denver, CO – Christopherson
- Northern Commodity Transportation Conference, March 3-4, 2020, St. Paul, MN – Commissioner Cronin, Christopherson

**Commissioner Cronin moved to approve travel as presented, seconded by Commissioner Koepe. Motion approved.**

**H. Commission Meeting Dates**

Wednesday, February 5, 2020 (Wednesday, February 26, 2020 Weather Alternate)

Wednesday, March 18, 2020 (Wednesday, March 25, 2020 Weather Alternate)

Thursday, June 25, 2020

**Commissioner Koepe moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:45 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Roseth. Meeting adjourned.**

  
Tregg Cronin, Commissioner      2/5/20  
Date

  
Reid A. Christopherson, Executive Director      2/5/2020  
Date

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