

Alberta Sheep & Wool Commission
Zone 1 Annual Meeting
Monday November 10th, 2008

Chair: Norine Moore, zone 1 director
The meeting was opened at 1.03pm
There were no additions to the agenda.

1. The meeting was advised that the current term of director for Norine Moore is complete and that an election would take place later in the meeting. Nomination papers were available and eligible producers in zone 1 were able to be nominated and to vote in that election.
2. **Norine Moore provided information and answered questions on the Alberta Livestock and Meat Strategy.**
Martin Williams from AFSC provided information on Premise ID requirements. If producers found it difficult to assess the number of animals supported by a piece of land, they were advised to use the number they have had on the property previously.
3. **Motion: to approve the minutes as presented.** Howard Paulsen, 2nd Dennis Van Sluys. Carried.

4. Business Arising

Producers asked if any research on OPP was currently being done.
Information was requested on whether drugs used extra-label in New Zealand are available in Canada.

5. Zone 4 Director's Report

Norine commented on the work of ASWC with particular reference to her involvement with; On Farm Food Safety, Alberta Lamb, Biosecurity, Communication/Newsletter, Alberta Goat liaison, Symposium, Canadian Sheep federation, Strategic Plan. The major issues facing ASWC are the need to increase staffing and address director workload and turnover. Industry issues highlighted are the need to increase the quantity and consistency of lamb produced and the effects of the Alberta Livestock and Meat Strategy.

6. Name Change from Alberta Sheep & Wool Commission to Alberta Lamb Producers

There was support for the name change.

7. Zone Advisory groups

There is support for creating a zone group, initially composed on Howard Paulsen, Dennis Van Sluys and Tim Gross from Pincher Creek Colony

8. New Business

a. **ASWC newsletter costs????** Accounts # is 2007/8 expense and Appendix 1 DLFOA funding is over a longer period.

b. 15% of budget goes to Canadian Sheep Federation. How do we measure what we are getting for those funds?

9. Zone Resolutions

Motion: to support the On Farm Food Safety program with self-evaluated audits and no requirement for outside auditors. Howard Paulsen, 2nd Sam Walter (Spring Point). Carried

10. Financial reports

Motion: that the 2007/8 financial statements of the ASWC be approved as presented.

Dennis Van Sluys, 2nd Howard Paulsen. Carried.

CSF dues paid – for what?

11. Elections

As Norine Moore has completed her three-year term as director of ASWC, there will be an election for director of zone 1. Nomination papers are available, all eligible producers in zone 1 may nominate a candidate, stand for election and vote.

Norine Moore was nominated by Gerrit Van Hierden, there being no further nominations, John Haarman, as Chief Returning Officer, declared Norine Moore elected by acclamation as zone 1 director for a three year term.

10. Adjournment proposed by Dennis Van Sluys at 2.31pm