

Alberta Lamb Producers Fall Round Up Zone 1 November 1, 2010, Fort Macleod Auction

The meeting was opened at 1:00pm with 22 attendees.

- 1. Motion to adopt agenda as presented.** Andy Strang, 2nd Karen Kermack. Carried.
- 2. Motion to approve the 2009 meeting minutes.** Gerrit Van Hierden, 2nd Burt Grisnich. Carried.

3. Traceability Presentation

Presentation by Tony Stolz of the Lamb Traceability Pilot Project outlining how RFID is used for flock management and some statistics showing that using RFID for flock management can decrease costs to producers. Different types of equipment – readers, scales, software – were discussed. Burt Grisnich, a cooperator on the LTPP gave a brief overview of how RFID technology has benefited his operation.

Following the presentation there was quite a lot of discussion around mandatory RFID CSIP tags with a lot of questions about how individual producers will be impacted. The discussion was generally positive with little opposition to the mandatory RFID tags.

4. Zone Directors Report

Norine reported on the committees that she is responsible for in her role as ALP director. She has participated in traceability planning both provincially and nationally. She is one of the two Alberta representatives to the Canadian Sheep Federation and participates in the national Sheep Biosecurity Advisory Group. She is responsible for Strategy 3 of the new ALP business plan – Collaborate with government on behalf of producers. In her role as chair she has been involved in all aspects of ALP activities in the past year.

5. Alberta Lamb Producers Financial Report

Motion that the 2009/10 financial statements of Alberta Lamb Producers be approved as presented Gerrit Van Hierden. 2nd Andy Strang. Carried.

- 6. Alberta Lamb Producers budget** was presented for information. It was pointed out to the attendees that there was a surplus for last year's budget and that the money has been earmarked for education/extension in the coming year.

7. New Business

8. Resolutions

Motion: that ALP/CSF investigate tariff on off-shore lamb to level playing field. Rick Neville moved, 2nd Gerrit Van Hierden. Carried

- 9. Adjournment** was proposed by Gerrit Van Hierden at 3:00pm.

**Alberta Lamb Producers Fall Round Up
Zone 2 October 30, 2010, Country Kitchen in Lethbridge**

The meeting was opened at 1:05pm with 21 attendees.

1. Motion to adopt agenda as presented Nel Haarman, 2nd Everett Tannis. Carried.

2. Motion to approve the 2009 meeting minutes. Ron Russell, 2nd John Klok. Carried.

3. Traceability Presentation

Traceability - Mandated program – Government legislation - anticipated start date for the sheep industry is January 2012

- Helps with disease containment and traceback
- Supports our ability to compete globally
- Information on traceability specifically in the sheep industry including the lamb traceability pilot project, focus on basic requirements and on the costs and benefits of RFID.

4. Zone Directors Report

John reported on his involvement with Alberta Farm Animal Care.

5. Alberta Lamb Producers Financial Report

Motion that the 2009/10 financial statements of Alberta Lamb Producers be approved as presented. AnneMarie Van Garderen, 2nd John Klok. Carried.

6. Alberta Lamb Producers budget 2010/11 was presented for information.

7. New Business - none

8. Resolutions

That ALP continues to lobby to return to non-refundable check-off. Andy Pittman. 2nd Jan Willem Van Garderen. Carried.

ALP office staff and directors pursue with the government that we get a fair or proportional share of the community pastures and grazing options. Everett Tanis, 2nd Jack Braat. Carried.

9. Adjournment was proposed by Andy Pittman at 3:30pm.

Alberta Lamb Producers Fall Round Up Zone 3 October 23, 2010, Airdrie Sheep Centre

The meeting was opened at 1:00pm with 16 attendees.

Introductions: Bruce Beattie – Marketing Council & Tony Stoltz

- 1. Motion to adopt agenda as presented.** Tracy Shierman, 2nd Mike King. Carried.
- 2. Motion to approve the 2009 meeting minutes.** Phillip Walter, 2nd Dee Martin. Carried.

3. Traceability Presentation

Tony Stoltz

4. Zone Directors Report

- Flock Health Chair
- Written numerous newsletter articles
- Prepared final financial statements for the 2009 Symposium for submission to and approval by ALMA
- Reviewed and provided recommendations on the Alberta Animal Health Act to the OCPV
- Participated in the ALP Traceability WG and worked to resolve the issues surrounding replacement tags for the paired tags used for registry
- Attended the Minister Hayden's roundtable discussions
- Completed an audit of CCWG benchmarking performance and making recommendations for improvement
- Contributed to the development of the Alberta Scrapie Prevalence Program and aligning it with the national program. Slaughter samples.
- Contributed to the improvement of the Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification Program and working to encourage producers to participate in the program and limiting their cost exposure
- Made a presentation on behalf of Alberta at the Pacific Northwest Economic Development Conference at the request of Dr. Hauer
- Gave a producer seminar in Westlock representing ALP
- Represented ALP at the CS in the Activity in the City tent promoting Alberta Lamb and the Alberta Industry
- I edited the Lakeland Factsheets soon to be released and participate on the Lakeland Communications Committee
- Currently I am the Director responsible for Strategy 1 of our business plan, which is education
- I have been developing the program for the 2011 Symposium, Oct 21-23
- I am the Director responsible for the OFFS program in Alberta and I represent Alberta on the National Committee. We have completed the review of the manual, the program is before CFIA for approval, and we are starting on the new review. We have worked hard to make the program simple and relevant to producers

- We have had four face to face Directors meetings and three meetings with the Alberta Government. All other communications is done by conference call and e-mail
- I have been responsible for coordinating the ALP Hospitality evening for the CSF AGM. 60 in attendance, funded completely with industry donations, no funding from ALP

5. Alberta Lamb Producers Financial Report

Motion that the 2009/10 financial statements of Alberta Lamb Producers be approved as presented. Lorraine Miller, 2nd Tracey Shierman. Carried.

6. Alberta Lamb Producers budget was presented for information.

7. New Business

None

8. Recommendations

None

9. Resolutions

10. Adjournment was proposed by Dave Smart at 3:15pm.

Alberta Lamb Producers Fall Round Up Zone 4 October 28, 2010, Stettler & District Ag. Society Pavilion

The meeting was opened at 3:00pm with 30 attendees.

- 1. Motion to adopt agenda as presented.** Albert Schermers, 2nd Anita Mappin. Carried.
- 2. Motion to approve the 2009 meeting minutes.** Edith Williams, 2nd Wendy Aschbacher. Carried.
- 3. Traceability Presentation**
Supports our ability to compete globally
Ensures production capacity and global market access
Mandated compliance – Government legislation (anticipated start date for the Alberta sheep industry is January 2012)
- 4. Zone Directors Report**
- 5. Alberta Lamb Producers Financial Report**
- 6. Alberta Lamb Producers budget** was presented for information.

7. Election of director – nominees and voters must be eligible producers resident in the zone.

Nominees: Bill Gibson nominated by E. Schermers

Chief Returning Officer: Kathy Parker (zone 3 director)

Kathy Parker as Chief Returning Officer declared Bill Gibson elected by acclamation as Alberta Lamb Producers director for zone 4 for a three year term.

8. Election Results

Presentation (if appropriate)

Visiting Director John Haarman on behalf of the ALP, presented retiring Director Irene Rutledge with a certificate of appreciation for her service as director representing Zone 4.

9. New Business

None

10. Resolutions

Form letter on website for all producers to sign requesting check off dollars to be non-refundable. Moved James Nibourg, 2nd Darrel Ashbacker. Carried
Stefan Kaiser opposed.

Folkert Devries and Evelyn Schermers won the door prizes.

11. Adjournment was proposed by Albert Schermers & Anita Mappin at 5:30pm.

Alberta Lamb Producers Fall Round Up Zone 5 October 23, 2010, Craigend Hall

The meeting was opened at 11.03am with 12 attendees.

1. Motion to adopt agenda as presented. Judy Cabay, 2nd Harry Humeniuk. Carried.

2. Motion to approve the 2009 meeting minutes. Nat Tschetter, 2nd Harry Humeniuk. Carried.

3. Traceability Presentation

Supports our ability to compete globally

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4. Zone Directors Report

5. Alberta Lamb Producers Financial Report

Motion that the 2009/10 financial statements of Alberta Lamb Producers be approved as presented. Judy Cabay, 2nd J.P. Theriault. Carried.

6. Alberta Lamb Producers budget was presented for information.

7. Election of director – nominees and voters must be eligible producers resident in the zone.

Nominees: Judy Cabay nominated by Colleen Pierce
J.P. Theriault nominated by Nat Tschetter

Chief Returning Officer: Ronald den Broeder (zone 6 director)

Scrutineer: Charlene Carey

Ronald den Broeder as Chief Returning Officer declared Judy Cabay elected as Alberta Lamb Producers director for zone 5 for a three year term.

8. New Business

Discussion on footrot and Footvax availability in Canada.

9. Recommendations

Proposal to charge \$5 tagging fee on each lamb sale, so the final slaughterhouse/private sale would pay for the tag, the check off and the cost for registering the tag. Defeated.

10. Resolutions

Review the retirement of the pink tags; the timeline and the issue of paying and applying double CSIP tags and check off. Shirley Everest, 2nd J.P. Theriault. Carried.

Alberta Lamb Producers to review tag distribution/recording. Judy Cabay, 2nd J.P. Theriault. Carried.

11. Adjournment was proposed by Harry Humeniuk at 15.15

Alberta Lamb Producers Fall Round Up Zone 6 October 30, 2010, Belvedere Hall

The meeting was opened at 10:50 am with 44 attendees.

1. Motion to adopt agenda as presented. Patrick Lyster, 2nd Yvette Haggerty. Carried.

2. Motion to approve the 2009 meeting minutes. Patrick Lyster, 2nd Doreen Hofmann. Carried.

3. Traceability Presentation

Presentation given by Ronald Den Broeder
Cooperator: Bernadette Nikkel

4. Zone Directors Report

Ronald reinforced to the group the work being done behind the scenes by ALP. The ALP is a member driven organization and Ronald would like to hear from the membership to serve them better.

5. Alberta Lamb Producers Financial Report

Motion that the 2009/10 financial statements of Alberta Lamb Producers be approved as presented. Bernadette Nikkel, 2nd Jack Janssen. Carried.

6. Alberta Lamb Producers budget was presented for information.

Cost of newsletter - could be delivered electronically.

7. New Business

Advise board to investigate possibility of national check-off in order to impose check-off on imported lamb.

8. Resolutions

Patrick Lyster moved that the newsletter be provided by electronic form to help reduce cost optionally. 2nd Lorraine Taylor. Carried.

Jason Pritchard moved if a producer requests check-off returned the person should not be allowed to vote and should be removed from mailing list of ALP and not be able to run for a position within ALP. 2nd Lolly Chadd. Carried.

9. Comments

Great turnout for the meeting.

Nice to have a speaker.

Move to different locations within the zone.

ALP is responding to producers better than in the past.

10. Adjournment was proposed by Robert MacDonald at 1:20 pm.

Door Prizes: Shearwell pliers– Jan Harink and Patrick Lyster,

Champion Feeds Jacket – Denise;

SGMA binder & CD – Doreen Hofmann & Stacey Meunier;

Highlights of Sheep Industry – Johann Vandermeulen;

Mug – Rod Nikkel;

Gloves – Leroy Schafer, Angelika Schwind & Bernadette Nikkel

Hats – Rose Marie Cornell, Uill, Kathy Tipper, Maggie Krasnow & Robert MacDonald

Alberta Lamb Producers Fall Round Up Zone 7 October 30, 2010, Clairmont

The meeting was opened at 10:40am with 19 attendees.

1. Motion to adopt agenda as presented. Sautie Krey, 2nd John Woodburn. Carried.

- 2. Motion to approve the 2009 meeting minutes.** Audrey Woodburn, 2nd Jody McLean. Carried.

Traceability Presentation

After the presentation John Woodburn and Phil Kolodychuk discussed their RFID experiences, both were very positive. Phil read a report from Louis Liebenberg on her use of RFID and the benefits of using it.

3. Zone Directors Report

Phil Kolodychuk discussed his role as zone 7 director for the last year. Phil is the Vice Chair of the ALP and is a representative for the Canadian Sheep Federation. Phil sits on the following board committees Flock Health, Traceability and Bio- Security. He attended the CSF AGM in November; the Agriculture Minister's Round Table Meeting in March and a Traceability meeting in September.

Alberta Lamb Producers Financial Report

Motion that the 2009/10 financial statements of Alberta Lamb Producers be approved as presented. Ken Keillor, 2nd Jean Lamb. Carried.

- 4. Alberta Lamb Producers budget** was presented for information.

- 5. Election of director** – nominees and voters must be eligible producers resident in the zone.

Nominees: Phil Kolodychuk nominated by John Woodburn

Chief Returning Officer: Kathy Parker (zone 3 director)

Scrutineer:

Kathy Parker as Chief Returning Officer declared Phil Kolodychuk elected by acclamation as Alberta Lamb Producers director for zone 7 for a three year term.

6. New Business

7. Resolutions

Work on subsidy for producers to do traceability equipment, tags, hand book (how to) Jody McLean. 2nd Sautie Krey. Carried.

Website to have Classifieds. Lianne Read. 2nd Sherry Mortland. Carried

ALP use advertising to keep newsletter going. Educational topics (predators, mentoring program). Greg Beadnoyer. 2nd Sautie Krey. Carried.

- 9.** Adjournment was proposed by Bob Jobson at 12:52pm