ALBERTA LAMB PRODUCERS BOARD MEETING

February 6, 2017, Airdrie

Present: Directors: Darlene Stein (Chair), Kirk Cowell (Vice Chair), Neil Caskey (Finance Chair), Erin Yaremko, Bill Gibson Regrets: Ray Nolan, Elaine Neale Staff: Robyn Moore

Called to order at 8:08 am

1. Agenda

The agenda was presented.

Motion: to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded. Carried.

2. Current Financials Report

An update of the current financial report was provided.

Motion: to sponsor two students for the Alberta Farm Animal Care Conference: one from Zone 4 regional funds and one from ALP funds. Seconded. Carried.

Action: contact Zone 1 and Zone 2 directors to inquire if they will contribute regional funds along with Zone 4 pledged funds towards 4-H on Parade sponsorship.

Motion: to sponsor Calgary Stampede Sheep Committee for \$1000 and provide display and promotional material for their use. Seconded. Carried.

Motion: to sponsor the All Canada Classic Sheep Show 2017 at the "gold" level for \$1250. Seconded. Carried.

Motion: to sponsor the ASBA Sheep Symposium 2017 at the "gold" level for \$1250 in partnership with SheepBytes. Seconded. Carried.

Action: to consider adding a budget line for the 2017/18 fiscal year for sponsorship requests or otherwise build into existing categories where appropriate.

3. Project Updates

The board discussed the ongoing projects and activities: Traceability Training, GF2 Welfare, Alberta Lamb. Since the last meeting, the majority of the work has been on Alberta Lamb; the final report was submitted on January 31.

Action: Submit a letter of intent for a Phase 2 project.

4. Regulation Review

An update on the progress of changes to ALP regulation was discussed. **Action:** write a letter to Marketing Council.

5. National Issues

An update on the progress with national issues was presented.

6. Transportation Regulations

Proposed amendments to the Health of Animals Act was discussed. The Chair contacted transporters in Alberta to hear their concerns with the proposed changes. **Action:** Comments will be submitted by the Feb 15 deadline.

7. Bighorn Sheep Meeting Preparation

The board prepared for the afternoon meeting with the Alberta Bighorn Sheep Team regarding their proposed separation policy.

Motion to adjourn at 11.38pm.

Moved and seconded to accept minutes as presented. Carried February 8, 2017.