

NDCISA Annual Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2011 – Bismarck

The meeting was called to order by Andrew Smith.

Minutes -were read with a motion to approve by Al Holleman. Second by Aaron Johnson.

Financial - Both the NDCISA and DSS financial statements were read with a motion to approve by Jackie Buckley and second by Troy Coons. It was mentioned that the NDCISA State Board has granted to DSS the last \$3000 on the original \$15,000 loan.

Dues - Rolette county owes dues for 2010 as yet. Thirty counties have paid dues for 2011 at this point.

Check-off - There are a couple of counties that owe check-off on the Barlow, Mott, Brick or Celebration. Contact has been made with these counties and this should be taken care of in the next week or so.

Bob Finken reported from the Certified Seed Committee.

Andrew Smith reported from the Research and Extension Committee.

Resolutions - There was one resolution regarding support for having the ND House and Senate fund the REC's seed conditioning plants included in the SBARE approved capital improvement list in the 2011 legislative session. Ross moved for a do pass on the resolution with a second by Bill Flaget. Resolution Passed.

By-Law Changes - There were two proposed by-law changes. These changes are basically for clarification purposes.

Article V #4 – Add: If no one is nominated fore the Director position in the District, the Board can appoint someone from that District and that individual could be the person currently on the Board. That appointee would be eligible for the full six year term. John Schatz moved to adopt the change to Article V #4. Second by Brian O'Toole. Motion carried.

Article VII. Item H - Add: At least two of the At-large or District representatives shall be current members of the State Board of Directors. Troy Coons moved to adopt the change with a second by Mark Birdsall. Motion carried.

Other – There was discussion on the late date of the new variety release meeting this year and quality and genetic purity issues with new wheat varieties. Troy moved to draft a letter to Dr. Grafton and the Plant Science Department thanking them for the quality seed produced in the past and ask that in going forward that genetic purity issues be a high priority when releasing new wheat varieties, and also request that the release meeting for new varieties be held earlier as there is a time crunch in getting all the required steps in place to get the seed to the producers in a timely manner. Motion second by Albert Wood. Motion carried.

As the NDCISA representative on the Seed Commission, Mark Birdsall gave a short update on the last seed commission meeting.

With the State Seed Dept. now doing varietal testing and pre-germs on HRSW, Barley and peas and having a turn around time on these tests of at least a week, Mark was wondering if anyone else has concerns of the bulk cert being issued prior to receiving information back on

the varietal testing. This could affect the seed producers customers, if for some reason the genetic purity came back with issues and customer already has the bulk cert and seed. Brian O'Toole moved that the Crop Improvement Association recommend to the State Seed Department that final certification not be released until the generic purity reports are complete. Second by Mark Birdsall. There was discussion and eventually the question was called. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Ross Schroeder moved to adjourn with a second by Aaron Johnson.

Respectfully submitted,

Paulette Neva
Executive Secretary
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