

Certified Seed Committee Minutes
Minutes taken by Bill Flaget
January 31, 2013 at Ramada (Doublewood), Bismarck, ND

Meeting called to order by Chairman Mark Birdsall

Minutes were read. A motion was made by Steve Sebesta to approve the minutes. Seconded by Dale Williams. Motion carried.

Dale Williams reported on Foundation Seedstocks:

- Possibility of putting USDA lentil releases into DSS
- Minnesota Barley Research Fee is \$.25
- Reported on Velva, Elgin, Joppa and Carpio. Elgin 41 counties, 9000 bushels, Joppa 9 counties. Carpio and Joppa have improved quality
- Yellow flax that may be released

Steve Sebesta

- Made a motion to correct and reprint the Velva brochures. Mike Gartner seconded. Motion carried.
- Busch Ag requirement of certified seed
- Reported on variety identification program
- Update of seed laws pertaining to seed potatoes
- Carpio lots showing up with HRS contamination and failing
- State Seed feels the contamination has to come from volunteer problems

Dale Zetocha

- Research Foundation has filed a brief in support of Monsanto on patent lawsuit
- Barley research fees were discussed

Mike Gartner

- Brought up moving the date to release new varieties from one county to others to an earlier time.
- Consensus was to address this in the county agreements at the summer meeting.

Dale Williams moved to adjourn. Steve Sebesta seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.