

# **MONTANA WHEAT AND BARLEY COMMITTEE**

**Board Meeting**

**Zoom Meeting**

**Great Falls, Montana**

**September 13, 2022**

The following were present for either a portion of or the entire meeting.

## **DIRECTORS**

Mike O'Hara, Chairman

Terry Angvick, Director

Denise Conover, Vice Chairman

Max Cederberg, Director

Charlie Bumgarner, Director

Brett Dailey, Director

## **EX-OFFICIO DIRECTORS**

Director Clark, Department of Agriculture

## **STAFF**

Jason Laird, Interim Executive Vice President

Sam Anderson, Industry Analyst & Outreach Coordinator

Kolleen Spurgin, Budget & Grants Coordinator

Tammy Suek, Administrative Assistant

## **GUESTS**

Cort Jensen, Staff Attorney, Department of Agriculture

Zach Coccoli, Deputy Director, Department of Agriculture

Mikal Wilkerson, Human Resources Manager, Department of Agriculture

Kent Kupfer

## **Tuesday, September 13, 2022:**

*Chairman O'Hara called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Introductions.*

## **Merchandise discussion:**

Interim EVP Laird gave the directors some choices for new shirts and hats. The directors decided to buy their own shirts and get them embroidered themselves. They decided to invest in 150 hats.

Director Bumgarner moved, and Director Angvick seconded the motion to approve the ordering of 150 hats. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Executive Vice President Recruitment:**

Deputy Director Coccoli went over the job description for the EV President's position, there were a few changes made and discussed. They went over the salary range and probation period of a year. A hiring committee was established which included Directors O'Hara, Angvick and Conover, Mikal Wilkerson, and Director Clark. The closing date for applications will be ongoing and they will be looked at the October board meeting. There will be a budget of \$2500 to advertise the position on national employment sites.

## **Assessment Increase:**

The increase was approved and there are hopes to have it in place by the first of the year. Cort Jensen will hold a public meeting in Helena for public comment and it is up to the Committee to decide whether other listening sessions are necessary.

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**Travel Approval:**

Director Dailey moved, and Director Angvick seconded the motion to approve the travel.  
The motion passed unanimously.

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**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

*Chairman O'Hara adjourned the meeting at 8:30 a.m.*

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Jason Laird, Interim Executive Vice President

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