

South Dakota Soybean Research & Promotion Council Board of Directors Meeting  
November 21, 2017  
ACE Board Room  
Sioux Falls, SD

Present: Tim Ostrem, Todd Hanten, Matt Bainbridge, Craig Converse, Mike McCranie, Marc Reiner

Guests Present: Brandon Wipf,

Staff Present: Becky Cypher, Sarah Tveidt, Adam Kask, Karen Bjordal, Claire Feterl

Meeting convened at 9:01 a.m.

Chairman Bainbridge asked the board if there were any new conflict of interest to disclose. None reported.

**Marc Reiner moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Todd Hanten. Motion passed.**

**Craig moved to approve the minutes from the June 27, 2017 board meeting. Seconded by Mike McCranie. Motion passed.**

**Tim Ostrem moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Dawn Scheier. Motion passed.**

Joy Fiege from Eide Bailly presented the review of the FY17 Financial Audit.

**Todd Hanten moved to accept the third party Eide Bailly financial audit report as presented. Seconded by Mike McCranie. Motion passed.**

Brett Sciotto from Aimpoint Research presented the Consumer Survey Results.

Communications Director report was presented by Sarah Tveidt.

Market Development & Research Director Report was presented by Adam Kask.

Peter Mishek from Mishek & Associates gave a presentation on amino acids and the essentials of protein.

Heather Springer with Woods Fuller Shultz & Smith came to discuss open meeting/open record laws.

**Tim Ostrem moved to enter executive session to discuss legal matters at 2:24 p.m. Seconded by Dawn Scheier. Motion passed.**

Executive session ended at 3:03 p.m.

**Marc Reiner moved that the board reviewed compliance regarding open meeting and open record laws and directed staff to begin drafting policies. Seconded by Mike McCranie. Motion passed.**

Daniel Scholl, David Wright, and Bill Gibbons presented the SDSU Precision Ag facility plan and financial need.

**Marc Reiner moved that this board recognized the need for precision ag technology in our state and the value it will bring to South Dakota. Seconded by Tim Ostrem. Motion passed.**

The board appointed Mike, Todd and Craig to research new districts. They will meet in the middle or end of December, and have options before the January/February board meeting.

**With no further business, Mike McCranie moved to enter into executive session to discuss personnel issues at 4:55 p.m. Seconded by Todd Hanten. Motion passed.**